2010 TBSC WINTER INVITATIONAL SPEARFISHING TOURNAMENT
REGISTRATION & WAIVER

This form must be filled out completely. Please note that there are absolutely no refunds, for any reason. Personal information (phone, Email) etc. is only for use by the TBSC for safety and registration reasons.

I am over the age of 18. If not, my entry in this tournament is authorized in writing by my legal guardian. I hereby acknowledge that if weather conditions turn to small craft advisories or small craft warnings, it is my responsibility to monitor weather radio and seek safe harbor if conditions warrant. I understand that TBSC and the FSDA may use photographs of me or my fish to promote spearfishing, and I agree to allow said use without compensation. I will read the rules of the tournament and I agree to abide by these rules. I hereby acknowledge that I am aware of the dangers involved in boating, breath-hold diving, scuba diving and spearfishing. I am aware that these activities require physical exertion and stress. I am aware that the boat captain is responsible for the safe operation of the boat and the safety of the passengers therein. I am participating in these activities with the full knowledge of, and the acceptance of all the risks these activities entail, and the dangers involved. I am voluntarily participating in this tournament. I willingly agree to accept the risk of injury, disability, physical and/or emotional suffering, property damage and/or death to others and myself. I agree that I, my survivors, beneficiaries, heirs and personal representatives, will not and may not seek any compensation, damages, legal costs or expenses, including attorney fees, from the Tampa Bay Spearfishing Club (TBSC), the TBSC officers, TBSC members, Florida Skin Divers Association (FSDA), the FSDA officers, the FSDA member dive clubs, the dive club officers, their members, or any FSDA individual members, Aquatic Obsessions and Wonderful Water Scuba, Inc. and their employees and officers, all TBSC and FSDA volunteers and any and all sponsors and advertisers of this tournament for any injury, property damage, or death, suffered by myself or others as a result of my participation in this spearfishing tournament.

Please Print Clearly & Make a Copy of this Completed Form For Your Records

Name_____Age____DOB___/____/_____

Address_____

City_____ST_____Zip_____

Phone (Cell) (_____)_____Email_____

Check Each That Applies: Junior _____ Female_____ Freediver Only _____

Participant's or Parent's Driver License (needed to validate this Registration Info)

DL # _____State_____

Dive Club (if any)_____Boat Name_____

Other Divers on my Boat : 1._____ 2._____

3._____ 4._____ 5._____

Each person that signs below is affirming that he/she has read this complete Waiver and agrees to ASSUME ALL THE RISKS INVOLVED in this activity. Furthermore, by signing, the participant states that he/she understands this Liability Waivers, agrees to its terms and signs of his/her own free will

Participant's Signature_____Date_____

*If entrant is a Minor, Witness must be an adult and a Parent or Legal Guardian must sign below.

Witnessed By_____Date_____

Please also complete the following if participant is under 18 years old.

Parent or Guardian's Signature_____Date_____

Witness For Parent_____Date_____

Early Registration Confirmation (to be filled out by TBSC staff) #_____

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Please Print Clearly on this Registration Entry Form (This form must accompany your Waiver)

Your Name:_____ (Cell) (_____)_____

One FREE short-sleeve Tournament Collectors **T-shirt** to all who **Pre-register (Early Registration ONLY!)** Circle size wanted: S M L XL 2XL	
Extra Collectors Shirts- Limited Supply, So Order Now. Circle size wanted: S M L XL 2XL Quantities of Each Size: ___ ___ ___ ____ ____ **Extra Shirt cost, per shirt----------$20**	$
FSDA Membership is required for FSDA Events **FSDA Dues are due January 1st of each year. <u>If you are a member of a FSDA Dive Club make sure your club has sent your 2010 FSDA dues to FSDA treasurer to verify that your dues are paid.** **Circle whether your dues are paid for 2010: <u>Yes</u> <u>No** *If you circled YES, What is your 2010 FSDA Member # _____ **<u>If not paid for 2010</u> please add in for your dues ----------$20** **Youths age 17 or under are guests & not charged for FSDA dues.**	$
Spearfishing Tournament Rates <u>Early-Registration:</u> Postmarked or delivered by **April 2, 2010** Adults ---------- **$65** Junior Division (ages 12 through 17) ---------- **$50** <u>Postmarked/delivered after **April 2, 2010**</u> Adults ---------- **$75** Junior Division (ages 12 through 17) ---------- **$60**	$
The TBSC & the FSDA strongly encourages all spearfishermen to support fairness in fisheries management by joining the FRA or contributing to the Diver's Rights Fund. I want to join the <u>Fishing Rights Alliance</u> (FRA) ---------- $35 I want to contribute to the Diver's Rights Fund ---------- $15	$
Please circle one, and if paid by check write in the check number Cash **Or** Check # _____**---------- Total Paid**	$

Mail Registration form & Waiver (Page 1 & 2), **with your check (don't mail cash) made out to**: TBSC, c/o Aquatic Obsessions, 6193 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg, FL 33710. For questions or to get your confirmation number call (727) 344-3483, from 11am-7pm on Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri. or Saturday.

<u>* Absolutely No Refunds Permitted for any reasons*</u>

2010 "TBSC Winter Invitational" Spearfishing Tournament

April 9th,10th & 11th , 2010 (Raindate, April 16,17, & 18, 2010)

Tournament Rules

1. **Safety First:** This is a recreational event. We are here primarily to enjoy each others company. Do not push your training limits or violate safe practice. The FSDA & the TBSC recommends that no competitors exceed the recreational diving limit of 130 feet.
2. **Officially Entered:** No diver is officially entered in the tournament until the TBSC has received a properly filled out Waiver, Registration, & all fees are paid.
3. **Spearfishing Tournament Dive Day: The Dive Day is Sat. April 10th**, the **rain date is April 17th**.**Diving begins at Dawn & ends at Dusk**. The rain date schedule will be the following week with the same times as the original date.
4. **Early Registration Ends: Friday, April 2nd, 2010**
   All registration forms must be postmarked by this date or hand delivered on or before this date to Aquatic Obsessions Scuba, St. Petersburg, Florida.
5. **Early-Registration Confirmation Number**: To confirm that a participant's Early Registration form was properly received, each Early Registered participant must call (727) 344-3483 **by 6pm on April 7th .** This confirmation number will allow every Early Registered participant to rest assured that all his/her paperwork has been received and is in proper order.
6. **Late Registration: Starts at 7:00pm on April 9th** and is over at @ 8:30pm. This is the only date and time for Late Registration. If turning in a Late Registration for someone on your boat, please make sure every part of the Waiver and Registration form is properly and completely filled out (No Exceptions)! The Late Registration will be held at: Aquatic Obsessions Scuba, 6193 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg, Florida 33710.
7. **Mandatory Diver's Check In:** Every participant should be at the "Diver's Check In" meeting; however, at least one Representative Diver from each boat must be at the **"Diver's Check In"** meeting (to represent himself and those on his/her boat) to pick up mystery tickets, get any last minute rule changes, get the official tournament time and verify entry paperwork. Your buddy's confirmation number is required to pick up any Early Registered participants paperwork at the "Diver's Check In." This "Diver's Check In" will end with the beginning of the mandatory Captain's Meeting.
8. **Captain's Meeting starts** at approximately 8:30pm.
   The Late Registration, the Diver's Check In and the Captains Meeting will all be held from 7:00 to 8:30pm on Friday **April 9th .** This meeting will be held at: Aquatic Obsessions Scuba, 6193 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg, Florida 33710. For directions, see map quest or call (727) 344-DIVE (3483).
9. **Mystery fish tickets:** Each participant will receive ONE (1) mystery ticket. The ticket will allow a competitor a chance to win one of the prizes donated by the Tournament Sponsors. These prizes will be awarded immediately after all the tournament trophies have been distributed. These prizes are a bonus for the participants and the amount and type of prizes is dictated by the generosity of our Sponsors. These are randomly picked drawings. All participants have an equal chance to win a prize. Participant must be present to accept a prize. A Prize pick is never guaranteed for each and every person that participates. In all the past years we have had at least one prize worth no less than $25 for each participant at the prize pick. We hope to be able to continue this trend.

10. **Points**: The participant must choose which fish to weigh, the officials cannot weigh your fish, individually, to determine, for you, which fish are the largest to turn in to the tournament. A diver will receive one (1) point per pound and five (5) points per fish weighed. There is a limit point value per fish of 20 points for weight and the Five (5) points awarded for the fish, with a maximum total point limit per fish of 25 points. Ties will be broken mathematically by dividing the contestant's aggregate weight by the number of fish – the higher score wins.
11. **Weigh-in:** The weigh-in will take place on **Sunday, April 11th** at the **Winghouse Bar & Grill, 7790 US Hwy. 19, Pinellas Park, Florida 33781, their phone is (727) 547-9464**. All participant's fish must be in the weigh-in line **no later than 12:00PM (Noon), No Exceptions.** Bring your coolers to the back of the weigh-in line. Weigh-in will open at approximately 10:30AM.
12. **Prizes & Awards:** Trophies and prizes will be awarded on **Sunday**, immediately after the weigh-in, and when the computer computations are completed. **First place** finisher (the person with the highest aggregate score) will get the 1st Place trophy and the subsequent **next four top-finishers** will receive trophies for second through fifth place. Trophies will also be awarded for the **Largest** of each fish category, the top aggregate scoring **Junior,** top **Female,** and the top **Freediver** (new for 2010).
13. **Eligibility:** Both men and women divers are welcome to participate. Divers under the age of 18 MUST have a signed release from their legal guardian. **No Diver is officially entered** in the tournament until the TBSC has received a properly filled out Waiver, Registration, and all fees have been paid. **All divers, except Juniors, must be current FSDA members. The $20.00 FSDA dues for 2010 can be paid with a diver's registration. Note: Paying the FSDA $20 fee at this tournament will also cover your FSDA $20 fee for the State of Florida Freedive Tournament on April 16, 2010 and the Southern Open Spearfishing tournament (State of Florida Spearfishing Championship) in June, 2010.** Junior Division (ages 12-17) are guests of FSDA and exempt from FSDA membership requirement.
14. **Registration:** To properly register for this tournament, turn in the completed Registration form (page 2 of 5) along with the Waiver (first page) & payment.

    Early Registration Ends: April 2nd, 2010

    All registration forms must be postmarked by this date or hand delivered on or before this date to Aquatic Obsessions Scuba, St. Petersburg, Florida.

    Late Registration: The only date and time for late registration is, Friday **April 9th, 2010**, from 7:00pm to 8:30pm at Aquatic Obsessions.

    A special discounted rate is offered for youth participants, as well as all those who register early. And anyone who does Early Registration gets a FREE Tournament Collectors T-shirt (see the registration form for details).

    All spearfishing competitors must possess a valid Florida salt water fishing license. **Mail Registration form and Waiver**, along with your check or money order (please don't mail cash) made out to:

    TBSC, c/o Aquatic Obsessions, 6193 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg, Florida 33710. For questions, call (727) 344-DIVE (3483).
15. **Junior Division:** Divers 12 to17 years old shoot in the normal portion of the tournament, but they are also entered into the competition for the top Junior shooter. Junior competitors must be certified divers and have a signed release from their parent or guardian. Just like the Adult participants, all Junior participants should not exceed any depth or dive in any conditions that they are not trained or certified to dive. All Junior shooters should be properly supervised by an Adult. Minimum age to enter this tournament is 12 years old.

16. **Eligible fish:** Categories, size and number that will be allowed are:

Category	Minimum Size	Maximum Number
Grouper	22" **Overall**	Two (2) in this category,
Scamp	16" **Overall**	Scamp is in Grouper category
Snapper	14" **Overall**	Three (3) of all snappers
Mutton & Cubera	16" **Overall**	Both these are in snapper category
Hogfish	12" to **Fork**	Three (3)
Sheepshead	12" **Overall**	Max.for Sheep & Trigger is Three (3)
Triggerfish	14" to **Fork**	" " " " .
Amberjack	30" to **Fork**	One (1)
Cobia or Barracuda	Cobia, 33" to **Fork**	One (1) of either species.
	Barracuda 28" to **Fork**	" " " .

FISH DONATION: We will be collecting donated fish for our Charities. **Two tickets** will be given for each Grouper, Hogfish and Snapper donated, and **One ticket** for each of the others donated. We will supply a nice prize to be awarded to the participant with the winning ticket. The prize will be exhibited at the Captain's meeting and the weigh-in.

17. **All fish: All participants must follow and abide by all local, State and Federal laws.** All fish must be legally taken and landed by the diver who is awarded the points, and brought to the scales before the close of the tournament. Powerheading of fish is not allowed. The "Weigh-in Line" will constitute the physical location for the close of the meet. **All fish must be physically in the weigh-in line by 12:00 PM.** All competitors' fish must be presorted, fully and properly gutted, on individual stringers, and on ice. All fish turned in must be in a fresh and whole condition and have all appearances of freshness. Fish that are shorter than Federal/State size regulations or that do not appear to be well iced and look fresh as per the judgment of the tournament Weighmaster, cannot be weighed, or if already weighed it can be disqualified. Only one participant of a tournament boat is required to weigh-in the fish for any fellow members of his boat. If a participant is weighing-in fish for a boat buddy, he must know the buddy's entry number and full name. If you elect to shoot Barracuda, you must properly remove & utilize the fish or you will be disqualified, no exceptions.
18. **Disqualification** is automatic for latecomers. Any cases of cheating will result in a disqualification. The Official Time shall be announced at the Friday Captain's Meeting and kept by the Weighmaster. Latecomers (who wish to have their fish weighed-in for club tournaments) can have their fish weighed at the end of the official weigh-in, but only with the Weighmaster's approval. To remove any misunderstanding for bystanders, the coolers holding these late fish, will have a large red X placed on top of the cooler with Red Tape, by the Weighmaster.
19. **Protest:** Any diver may file a protest with the Tournament Weighmaster. Any protest must be filed before the start of trophy issuance. A **Protest Committee** will be made up of the current TBSC President, the TBSC Vice President, the TBSC Secretary, the TBSC Treasurer and the Tournament Weighmaster. All Protest Decisions will be made in a timely manner and **all decisions will be final.**

TBSC President – Dean Karikas / TBSC Vice President- Andrew Cleveland
TBSC Secretary - Bill VanDeman / TBSC Treasurer – Bill Hardman
TOURNAMENT WEIGHMASTER: Mark Maznek