

Catfish Capital Challenge

August 15/16, 2025 Drayton, North Dakota

All rules are to provide a fair and equal playing field for all competitors.

1. Entry Fee- \$300

1st- \$10,000, 2nd- \$2,500 (.1481), 3rd- \$1,500 (.0889), 4th- \$1,000 (.0592), 5th- \$800 (.0474), 6th- \$700 (.0415) 7th- \$600 (.0356), 8th- \$500 (.0296), 9th- \$400 (.0237), 10th- \$300 (.0178), 20th- \$200 (.0119), Daily Big Fish- \$500(.0296)

This is an 75% payout tournament. (Based on a full field of 75 boats in each category)

Administrative Tournament Rules

- Registration and Rules Meeting will be held online and August 14th at 7:00pm at Johnny Bravos in Downtown Drayton.
- NO REFUND WITHIN 30 DAYS OF EVENT FOR ANY REASON – NO EXCEPTIONS**
- Teams must compete from a boat and remain in the boat during competition except at tournament headquarters.
- NO WAKE** between the buoys in front of tournament headquarters
- Teams must comply with state fishing and boating regulations, including the use of PFDs and kill switches. Fishing and boating licenses are the responsibility of team members. **NON-NORTH DAKOTA BOATS MUST HAVE ANS STICKERS**
- Any **LEGAL** commercial or natural bait will be allowed.
- Fish must be a minimum of 12” in length to be weighed.
- In case of a tie the payout for two spots will be added and divided evenly.
- There will be a polygraph test of one member from the winning team. (The tournament director reserves the right to decide which member will be tested.) (see the **RELEASE FORM** for further information regarding the polygraph examination.)
- Any protest must be made in writing to the tournament director within 30 minutes following the end of the official weigh-in. A protest must state the rule broken. In the case of a cheating accusation a polygraph may be administered at the expense (\$300) of the accuser. Tournament officials reserve the right to submit any team to polygraph.
- The use of alcoholic beverages is discouraged while fishing.
- Unsportsmanlike conduct may be grounds for disqualification if circumstances require. Decision of Tournament Directors will be final.

Tournament Rules

Teams will have two (2) team members and can have up to two (2) guests. Teams are limited to four (4) lines per team. **ONLY 1 catfish over 24” may be caught (and kept) per angler.** Maximum number of fish on board is two (2) by law culling or sorting fish is prohibited.

- Teams may only possess and weigh in (2) catfish over 24” and (2) under 24” per day. **Sorting (culling) fish is strictly prohibited!**
- Boundaries are the marker above Drayton Dam north to Oslo, MN boat ramp to the south.
- Anglers will be allowed to launch immediately after the rules meeting. **NO fishing is allowed from 7:00pm to 7:00am.**
- Fishing within 50 yards of a competitor’s boat, (which was first anchored), is prohibited.
- All fish weighed must be caught by rod and reel with a single hook only (**NO TREBLE HOOKS**). A maximum of 4 rods per boat may be used.
- Fishing hours for are 7:00 AM until 3:00 PM. All anglers must be in the weigh-in line by 3:00 PM. All fish must be boated to the weigh in site. Anglers **MUST** carry fish to the weigh in in a container such as a cooler or tote. Weigh in is at Hastings Landing, Downtown Drayton.
- A team limit of 4 fish maximum **must be alive** to weigh in each day. **Fish must be kept in a livewell or other container, NO STRINGERS. (ONLY 2 MAY BE OVER 24” IN LENGTH. Should more than 2 fish be over 24” the entire day’s bag will be disqualified) (Culling is prohibited. Once determination is made to keep a fish it cannot be released.)** Tournament officials reserve the right to determine if a fish is dead until the release.

Release

Upon completion of the tournament, One (1) member of the winning team must submit to and pass a POLYGRAPH TEST and/or any other test deemed necessary to determine compliance with tournament rules. The team member submitting to the examination **MUST NOT** be under the influence of any intoxicants. If, in the opinion of the polygraph examiner, an examination cannot be completed due to an avoidable physiological condition, such as intoxication, the winning prize will be withheld until such time that an examination may be completed. Only one member of the team will be tested. In the opinion of the examiner, the person tested does not exhibit deception, the prize earned by the team will be awarded. If, in the opinion of the examiner, the person tested exhibits deception, the team will be disqualified and neither member of the team will be awarded a prize. The opinion of the polygraph examiner will be final. Contestants agree to release the individual polygraph examiner and any polygraph company contracted to provide testing services for this tournament, City of Drayton, Drayton Chamber, board members and the sponsors of these events, from any liability arising from the administration of the polygraph examination and/or the decision of the polygraph examiner. Contestants also agree that any mention of names or use of photographic likenesses may be used by the tournament and their sponsors for promotional purposes. All decisions regarding compliance with these rules and the interpretation of these rules will be made by the tournament director, City of Drayton and Drayton Chamber which reserves the right to make additional reasonable rules for the conduct of their tournaments if circumstances require.

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Red River at Drayton August 15/16, 2025

To register Online:- www.catfishdrayton.com

Please Make Checks and Mail to:
Drayton Rod & Reel Rally
c/o Brad Durick
1640 King Cove
Grand Forks, ND 58201

Team Member #1

Name: _____ Signature: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Team Member #2

Name: _____ Signature: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

