



# Angling Rules and Regulations

## Registration Day:

- Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> October 2026
- Fishing Hub
- 3pm until 5pm

## Fishing Hub:

- Located at the Northern Pavilion, Broadwater Parklands, Corner of Marine Pde and North St, Southport QLD 4215.

## Fishing Day 1:

- Wednesday 14 October 2026
- Start Fishing 6:00am
- Stop Fishing 3:30pm
- Fish Submission Deadline 4:00pm

## Fishing Day 2:

- Thursday, 15th October 2026
- Start Fishing 6:00am
- Stop Fishing 3:30pm
- Fish Submission Deadline 4:00pm



## Tournament Rules

### **Boat Insurance Requirement:**

A valid boat insurance policy must cover all boats participating in the Australasian Police and Emergency Services Games Angling competition. It is recommended that policy details be accessible during the event for easy reference.

### **Catch and Release Policy:**

Any size fish can be photographed and submitted, however all fish species that do not meet the legal size must be released alive. All fish kept for consumption must meet Queensland legal length requirements and bag limits.

### **Fishing Equipment:**

Both artificial lures and bait are permitted. Each angler may only use one rod at a time. Anglers are responsible for setting, casting, attending, and retrieving their own rods. Any unequal fishing practices may result in disqualification. Protests must be lodged with the Sport Coordinator on the day of the incident. The coordinator's decisions regarding rules are final.

### **Bait and Scents:**

Burley and commercial scents are permitted.

### **Photographing Requirements:**

Fish must be photographed on the provided tournament sticker/bragmat for clear measurement. Fish measurement must be rounded down.

The length of the fish is measured from the **tip of the nose to the tip of the tail**.

### **Submission Requirements:**

All anglers must submit photos on the platform provided closer to the event.

All queries must be reviewed with the team prior to submission deadlines.

### **Tiebreaker Rule:**

In the event of multiple fish of equal length, the first fish photographed and submitted will be declared the winner.

### **Fishing Equipment Restrictions:**

Gaffs are prohibited, and fish-friendly nets are recommended.

### **Line Class and Type:**

The tournament is open to all line classes and types.



### **Fishing Boundaries:**

Boundaries extend from Russell Island's overhead powerlines to the Pacific Highway Bridge at Nerang, excluding government-gazetted closed areas. Exclusion zones within these boundaries are specified.

All green zones are strictly adhered to, you fish these areas at the peril of the authorities. It's every boater's responsibility to know green zone boundaries. All anglers must fish within the stated tournament boundaries.

This means even if the boat is within the boundary, no casting or drifting beyond the boundary is permitted whilst lines are in the water.

Remember, a boundary can look different from different perspectives and distances, and unless you are in line with the boundary yourself, it isn't easy to see if someone is in or out of the boundary line.

### **Boat Usage:**

When fishing in shallow water, please keep a cast away from the nearest boat, which is approximately 30m.

Be careful not to drop in on someone's drift. If they are already drifting the bank you should come in behind them, rather than dropping in front of them. If you are motoring against the current, either under electric or main motor, you must give way to boats drifting with the current.

### **Protest Procedure:**

Protests must be reported to the Sport Coordinator on the day of the incident.

### **Coordinator Decisions:**

All decisions the sport Coordinator makes regarding rules is final.

### **Submission Deadlines:**

Fish submissions must be entered by specific deadlines each day. All fish must be entered by 4.00pm on Wednesday & Thursday.

If you are having difficulty, please contact the sport coordinator.

**Please ensure adherence to these rules and regulations for the smooth conduct of the competition.**