



Rivers and Area Game and Fish Association Ice Fishing Derby Rules:

1. Derby is scheduled for Saturday, March 7, 2019 from 10:00am to 2:00pm on the lakeside only of Lake Wahtopanah. Only fish caught during these hours will qualify. Registration to begin at 8:00am at the Rivers and Area Game and Fish dock side on the ice.
2. No pre-fishing is allowed. Anyone with a line in the water prior to 10:00am will be disqualified.
3. Manitoba Fishing regulations are in effect. You must have a valid fishing license and all entries must use a barbless hook.
4. Rivers and Area Game and Fish Association and those assisting in the derby operations are not responsible for death, injury, damage liability, theft or fire on any entries. Each entrant entering the derby will be in effect signing a waiver form.
5. Derby tickets are non-refundable.
6. Only 6 Northern Pike from Lake Wahtopanah are allowed per ticket for entry and only one over 75cm as per Manitoba daily creel limits for the lake is eligible.
7. In case of discrepancies or complaints the Derby Official's decision shall be final. No other person can be considered as a spokesperson for rules during the derby.
8. Prizes are determined by length and time registered. In the event of a tie, the first fish registered wins.
9. Fish Measuring:
 - a. Fish will be measured by derby officials only as follows:
 - b. Fish will be brought alive in a live well consisting of a container and water to hold the fish.
 - c. Derby official will measure total length of fish with tail laid flat and time recorded.
 - d. Fish will be released immediately after measuring.
10. Holes will not be provided. Must provide own hole.
11. One adult registration allows you two lines to fish as per license regulations.
12. Entrants are responsible for their own safety, actions, gear and equipment.
13. Electronic devices allowed.
14. Derby officials have the right to enter and inspect any shacks, tents, etc.
15. Jaw jacker devices are allowed.
16. Concession trailer will be on site. Garbage cans will be placed around derby tent and concession area. Please do not litter.
17. No alcoholic beverages or recreational cannabis will be allowed at any time of the derby, this includes the presentation/concession area of the derby.
18. Failure to comply with the contest rules may result in disqualification.
19. It is expected that all anglers act in good sportsmanship at all times during the derby.
20. Rivers and Area Game and Fish Association may at any time before, during, and after event may change event format if required.
21. Prizes will be awarded on the ice at the close of derby when calculations are finished.
22. Youth age 15 and under who wish to participate in the adult category for the main prize money must pay the adult ticket fee. Youth 15 and under fish for free and eligible for the youth prizes.
23. Winners, those participating, and anyone in the derby area may have their name and photo published in local media along with the association's website, Facebook, Twitter account.
24. Prizes will be based on a minimum of 125 adult derby entries.