



Robert-James Sales, Inc.

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2020 Robert James Sales Sunrise/Sunset Virtual Tarpon Tourney Rules

1. ANY LENGTH BOAT MAY BE USED. Boats can depart from any dock in Monroe County, FL. Anglers must fish from the same boat both tournament days. The Tournament Committee will make an exception in case of mechanical difficulties.
 2. Fishing hours (lines in and lines out) are Saturday Sunrise 6 am – 10 am & Sunset 5 pm – 9 pm (EST). Sunday Sunrise 6 am-10 am (EST). *if fighting a fish at the time of lines out, immediately call scorekeeper for the potential release to qualify.
 3. All qualifying releases must be submitted via email within 15 minutes after lines out by Sat. 10:15 am & 9:15 pm and Sunday 10:15 am (EST)* to scorekeeper@redbone.org. Participants are encouraged to report releases shortly after release by social media #RBTarponTourney or by text/call to scorekeeper(s).
 4. Qualifying release submissions must include – angler name, time of release and picture of fish (see Rule 6). Incomplete submissions will not be considered.
 5. There must be two (2) anglers on every boat. Licensed Guides may register as an angler, qualifying for Guided Champion Award.
 6. Tarpon may not be boated under any circumstances. To qualify as a release they must be photographed in the water as close to the boat as possible by the Captain or other angler. Per IGFA rules, a release occurs when knot connecting leader to main line touches the rod tip. Tarpon must be a minimum of 48 INCHES in length measured from the snout to the inside fork of the tail.
 7. IGFA rules and tackle specifications apply.
 8. No heavier than thirty (30) pound test line (Manufacturer's Stated Test) for General Division and twenty (20) pound test line for Fly and Artificial Division. One working rod per angler.
 9. Fly and Artificial Divisions are artificial lure categories. No tipping is permitted. Bait or tipping is only permitted for General Division points. ONLY the angler can cast, hook, and fight the fish.
 10. CHUMMING OR CHUNKING IS NOT PERMITTED BY PARTICIPANTS OR ANY OUTSIDE INDIVIDUAL. Bait must have a hook in it.
 11. Fishing in man-made canals is prohibited with the EXCEPTION OF EAST CAPE CANAL.
 12. Ties will be awarded to the angler who catches and releases the last fish first.
 13. The Rules Committee will make any weather decisions. All decisions of the Rules Committee are final.
 14. The penalty for any violation of the rules is NO POINTS for the day. All protest must be in writing and emailed to the scorekeeper within one hour of LINES OUT on the day of the violation. If a formal complaint is filed, Redbone reserves the right to request a lie detector test from the team in question.
- Two (2) Champion awards will be presented to the anglers with the most qualified points in both the guided and unguided entries. The Grand Champion will be awarded to the overall top angler and will receive the Key West Get-Away donated by Papa's Pilar valued @ \$2,500.
 - In the spirit of this virtual tournament, Redbone stresses good sportsmanship and would like to also encourage social media participation adding the hash tag #RBTarponTourney. Awards will be given based on most "likes" for the best fighting video and best tarpon release picture.
 - Release Points will be awarded as follows: General 100 points; Artificial 150 points; Fly 200 points

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8 AWARD CATEGORIES

Grand Champion	Runner-up Non Guided Angler
Hi-point Guided Angler	Hi Point Junior Angler
Runner-Up Guided Angler	Best Fighting Video
Hi-point Non-Guided Angler	Best Tarpon Release Picture