

2026 FISHIN' FOR \$50K RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Employees, agents, successors, and assignees of Sponsors, its advertising agencies and promotional companies involved in this Promotion, as well as immediate families and household members of same, shall be ineligible to participate in the Promotion and shall be ineligible for any prize covered herein. The parties acknowledge that the third-party promotion company or Visit Big Bear is not liable for reimbursement of any prizes otherwise payable to Promotion contestants who are in violation of this provision.
2. All fish caught at the Fishin' for \$50K Trout Derby (FF50K) must be caught in accordance with all state and federal laws including the International Game Fish Association (IGFA) and the State of California Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) Regulations. A California Fishing License is required. All IGFA and DFW specific rules regarding fishing will apply to FF50K. All Big Bear Lake specific rules regarding boating will apply to FF50K.
3. Eligible Contestants: Only those participants officially entered in the FF50K (see rules #10-11) who have completed a 2026 Official Rules & Regulations form and comply with the terms and conditions of this Contract and Sponsor's Official Promotion Rules shall be eligible for a prize. In the event of a claim, Sponsor may be required to provide the third-party promotion company with an official list of registered entrants in the FF50K.
4. Names and likenesses of Promotion winner(s) may be used by Sponsor and Sponsor's designee (s) for promotional purposes without further compensation to Sponsor or the Promotion winner(s).
5. This is a "trout only" competition. All other species caught may be possessed per IGFA and DFW regulations but are not eligible for prizes in the FF50K contest. FF50K contest hours are from 6 AM to 2 PM May 30th & 31st, 2026. All trout must be taken from the waters of Big Bear Lake during these times. Trout may be taken from shore, boat, kayak, canoe or float tube. All trout caught prior to the dates and times listed on the FF50K rules and regulations are not eligible for prizes. Beginning on May 31st, 2026 tagged trout caught after the end of the FF50K Trout Derby are eligible for a \$50.00 cash prize per tagged trout caught, until December 31 2026 to be verified at the Big Bear Visitor Center. All fish must be legally caught by rod and reel by generally accepted angling principles per IGFA and DFW regulations. No fish may be "free netted" from the water or caught by snagging. Floating or washed-up dead fish will not be accepted regardless if they are tagged or not. Participants are prohibited from using any fishing guide/guide service at any time during the event. Professional fishing guides/guide services are prohibited from entering FF50K. This event will be "Capped" at the first 5 Official Tagged trout "Caught and Presented" being eligible to win the multiple \$10,000 Grand Prizes. If, after 5 tagged trout have been caught and presented, the remaining 25 Official (NON-Grand Prize) Tagged trout are not eligible for the grand prize of \$10,000 but may be "Caught and Presented" for a prize of \$100.00 per tagged trout. The first five non-grand prize tagged trout will also be eligible for a \$500.00 cash prize. All potential winning catches must be presented to the tournament coordinator at Pine Knot Marina for documentation, 439 Pine Knot Ave, Big Bear Lake, (909) 520-8623 from 7:00 AM – 2:30 PM, May 30th & 31st, 2026 WITH TAG ATTACHED TO FISH, for claim verification or no prize will be awarded. Claimant and Sponsor must also comply with each term and condition of the contract herein to be eligible to win any derby prizes. The third-party promotion company must receive the original Exhibit B – Winner's Affidavit and Release for catch submitted for prize redemption. All information must be complete, and all signatures must be present and authentic. All tagged fish caught must be redeemed for their prize no later than 2:30 PM on May 31st, 2026. Raffle tickets are accepted by tournament staff before the awards ceremony May 31st, 2026 from 1 PM to 3:30 PM, raffle tickets will not be accepted after 3:30 PM NO EXCEPTIONS. Each winner is responsible for paying any and all taxes on any prize(s) won and must authorize the deduction of such taxes, in any, from the prize(s) to the extent required by law.

6. All tournament participants must fish for themselves and only themselves. Anyone not registered in the tournament is ineligible for all tournament prizes. It is strictly prohibited for any registered participant to submit a fish caught by any other person for tournament prizes. Any participant that is found to be in violation of these or any other tournament rules will be immediately disqualified from competition, ineligible for any and all prizes as well as subject to a ten-year ban from the FF50K Trout Derby; without a refund of entry fees.
7. Prizes will be awarded for the largest trout (by weight) caught in four different classes, which include adult male and female, children's male and female. One fish per participant per weigh-in and must be 14 inches or longer to qualify. Weigh-in will take place at the at Pine Knot Marina, located at 439 Pine Knot Ave, Big Bear Lake, (909) 273 0681. Weigh in times are from 7:00 AM to 2:30 PM on May 30th & 31st, 2026. Weight class prizes will be as follows: Adult male & female (16 years of age and older): 1st place: \$1,500.00, 2nd place: \$750.00, 3rd place: \$500.00. Children's male & female (15 years of age and younger): 1st place: \$500.00, 2nd place: \$250.00, 3rd place: \$100.00. Anniversary Tournament Champion (One Winner): \$2,500.00 for largest fish of the tournament determined by weight.
8. Entry fee is \$95 for adults (16 years of age and older) and \$40 for participants under 16 years of age (children). Participants who have reserved a pontoon boat or lodging in the Big Bear Valley shall receive a 50% discount on entry for their entire group, a receipt must be submitted before check-in. Each adult entry paid at full price may receive 1 children's entry at a 50% discount. First responders and military (both active and retired) shall receive \$20.00 off their individual entry fees. Residents of the Big Bear Valley, as well as second homeowners, shall receive \$10.00 off their individual entry fees. All paid entries are final. There are no refunds or exchanges. Referrals for lodging can be found at book.bigbear.com. Registration for the event will be conducted through Visit Big Bear in person during the May 29th check-in, at BigBear.com, or via phone at 800-424-4232, Big Bear Lake, CA 92315. Event registration and check-ins will be held on Friday, May 29th, 2026 from 12 noon to 10 PM and check-ins ONLY on May, 30th, 2026 from 5 AM to 9 AM at the Big Bear Visitor Center, 40824 Big Bear Blvd, Big Bear Lake. On May 30th, 2026 (the last day of registration) fees must be paid for in cash or by credit card only. NO CHECKS accepted.
9. The tournament authority (tournament director) has the sole discretion to disqualify any catch for reasons they deem violate tournament rules or the spirit of the competition. All decisions of the tournament director are final and may not be appealed.
10. Official number of participants for the FF50K Trout Derby is limited to 1000 people total. All payments for pre-registered participants must be received by Thursday, May 28th, 2026 at 5 PM. Visit Big Bear will process pre-registrant's entry forms and send confirmation, which will include a 2026 Official Rules & Regulations form. All pre-registered participants must check-in on Friday, May 29th, 2026 from 12 noon to 10 PM or Saturday, May 30th, 2026 from 5 AM – 9 AM at the Big Bear Visitor Center, 40824 Big Bear Blvd, Big Bear Lake, All adult participants must show valid ID at check-in. All participants will be given a wristband, which must remain attached to the participant until the event is over. All registered participants must be present to attach wristband. Registration is on a first come first served basis. In some instances, entrants may be required to fill out and complete a 2026 Official Rules & Regulations form.
11. A parent/legal guardian must sign registration forms for all children under 18 years of age that are participating and must accompany all children who wish to participate.
12. Please be aware that by purchasing entry into this event, that you consent to the use of your voice, name and/or likeness being used in any and all media (video, photo, print, etc.) without notice or compensation.