

Atlanta Saltwater Sportsman's Club

Tournament Application

Apalachicola "Turpentine Classic" August 6-8, 2026

Choose ONE competition category: OFFSHORE/TRADITIONAL NEARSHORE

Applications and payments due by July 31 (pay by July 20 for discount rate)

Captain's Name: _____ Boat Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Home: _____ Work/Cell: _____

In Case of Emergency, Contact: _____ Phone Number: _____

Boat Manufacturer/size: _____ Registration #: _____

PARTICIPANTS at \$ 65.00 each if funds and application are received by July 20 discount date. After July 20, add \$10/each for captain and anglers. Failure to pay registration fees by the Captains Meeting will deem your boat ineligible.

Captain (BLACK ZIP TIE): _____	Phone: _____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Angler 2 (WHITE ZIP TIE): _____	Phone: _____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Angler 3 (RED ZIP TIE): _____	Phone: _____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Angler 4 (BLUE ZIP TIE): _____	Phone: _____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Angler 5 (YELLOW ZIP TIE): _____	Phone: _____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Angler 6 (GREEN ZIP TIE): _____	Phone: _____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Number of Non-Anglers Attending Awards Dinner*: ____ x \$40 = \$ _____

*(Non-Anglers may attend the Awards Dinner for \$40/each.) **Total Due: \$ _____**

ASWSC Release and Indemnification Agreement

(Attention: Please Read Carefully—Your Signature Indicates Agreement with These Terms)

In signing this document, I do hereby agree and understand that the Atlanta Salt Water Sportsman's Club, (hereinafter referred to as "The Club", is acting as a sponsor of various club activities (including, but not limited to fishing tournaments, picnics, meetings, etc.) and I do fully release, indemnify and hold The Club harmless from any negligence, contractual and intentional tort liability caused by or the fault of any person or entity. The Club is hereby released from any responsibility whatsoever for any decision, action or inaction of entrant, boats of other participants in any Club activities.

To the fullest extent provided by law, my team, my crew, my guest, and I hereby agree to indemnify and hold The club harmless from any and all claims, suits, obligations, liabilities, losses, damages, cost or expense suffered by, arising out of, resulting from, any act of mine or any member of my crew during my and their participation in Club sponsored activity, including any and all claims, suits, obligations, liabilities, losses, damages, cost or expense caused in whole or in part by any negligent act or negligent omission of The Club, regardless of my vessel, it's passengers crew participants and equipment, in conjunction with any activity sponsored by The Club. Said photographs may be used by The Club in promotional and/or advertising material or in any other way otherwise not unlawful, and consent of the vessel, it's owner and persons photographed is hereby acknowledged.

This agreement shall take effect as an instrument under seal, and be binding upon and inure to the benefit of my and my team's and crew's heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.

Capt. Signature _____ Date _____

Email Application page to Austin Schmidt at austinschmidt1357@gmail.com . For payment, Venmo funds to Mike Ball (@Mball-ASWSCtreasurer) or send check made out to ASWSC to: Mike Ball, 2019 Shoals View Ln, Lawrenceville GA 30045. Only one payment per boat will be accepted. No cash will be accepted.



TIP SHEET

"Turpentine Classic" - August 6-8, 2026

When:

- Planned Captain's Meeting: Thursday August 6th, 5:00 pm at The Lay House - Bay City Lodge
- Tournament fishing: August 7-8 (Friday, Saturday) - 2 Day Format
- Planned Weigh-in location - Bay City Lodge Docks in person
- All boats must be back to docks at 5:30pm to qualify for that day's weigh-in. If staying off premises, captains must check in by 5:30pm.
- Weigh in times 6:00-6:30pm Friday; 6:00-6:30 pm Saturday
- Awards Banquet: TBD – current plan is Food Truck from "Tamara's On the Go" – Fish Fry. Saturday August 8th, Location: The Lay House – Bay City Lodge 7:30pm.

Other Tournament Information:

- **Scoring** – Offshore per the official ASWSC Offshore Points Matrix . Nearshore per the Nearshore Points Matrix via photo submission .
- **Rules** – Tournament Rules, Nearshore Rules Addendum, Offshore and Nearshore Points Matrix, and guideline documents are available on the [ASWSC Tournaments](#) web page.
- **Inclement Weather** – Per club rules, in the event of a Small Craft Warning, tournament fishing may be suspended or restricted. Any fish caught outside of allowed parameters will not be eligible for weigh-in or scoring.

Where to Stay:

- **Bay City Lodge/850-653-9294** - Cabins and Motel style rooms available. **Call for availability and make reservations ASAP.** Restaurant normally serves breakfast and dinner (seasonal).
- **Sportsman's Lodge/850-670-8423** – In Eastpoint FL, rates include boat dockage but it is very shallow and the docks are a step down from Bay City. In and out with a 21' boat was no problem. There is a free city ramp 1 block away for smaller boats. The ramp may be tight for larger boats.
- **Best Western /850-653-9131** Smoking & non-smoking rooms are available. Free hot breakfast buffet 6:30 - 9:30.
- **Water Street Hotel and Marina/850-653-3700** - Marina on-site can fit vessels up to 60 ft
- **Gibson Inn/850-653-2191** - a small Victorian Inn listed on the National Historic Register of Historic Places established 1907: <http://www.gibsoninn.com>
- **Apalachicola Bay Inn /850-653-9435** - <https://www.apalachicolabayinn.com/>

Dockage / Ramps:

- **Bay City Lodge / 850-653-9294**
 - Slips- no charge but available on first come-daily basis; no slip reservation
 - Non-ethanol fuel available on site
 - Boat Ramp can launch vessels to 25 feet
 - Trailer parking is available but limited
- **Scipio Creek Marina / 850-653-8030:** An option for boats too big for Bay City's ramp.
- **Battery Park (Ten Foot Hole) Public Ramp / location link:** <https://goo.gl/maps/WLdU2bucNTp>
 - can accommodate vessels up to 40 ft.
 - 4 double-wide concrete ramps with ample parking.
 - \$10 Launch Fee (Link for details: [Battery Park Marina/Ramp](#))
 - Located below the Hwy 98 bridge on the Apalachicola River, Bay Ave & Water Street (less than 1 mi. east of Scipio Creek Marina)
- **Abercrombie Boat Ramp / location link:** <https://goo.gl/maps/nj3Ed6AdjZR2>
 - Just up river from Bay City Lodge, can handle larger vessels and has plenty of parking
 - 2 ramps and floating docks
 - No ramp fee

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Bait and Tackle Shops:

Bay City Lodge / 850-653-9294 / 1000 Bay City Rd, Apalachicola, FL

- Frozen bait including Squid, Chum, Sardines, Cigar Minnows (call in advance for availability) • Live shrimp, subject to seasonal availability
- Terminal tackle and fishing lures
- Small supply of marine supplies available

Bluewater Outriggers / 877-216-9600 / 121 U.S. 98, Port St. Joe, FL 32456

- Frozen bait including Squid, Ballyhoo, Chum, Sardines, Cigar Minnows, Silversides
- Wide selection of terminal tackle, fishing gear, boating accessories, clothing, and fishing lures

Fisherman's Choice / 850-670-8808 / 330 U.S. Hwy 98, Eastpoint FL

- (Next to NAPA Auto Parts, 8 mi. from Apalachicola)
- Dead bait including Squid, Ballyhoo, Chum, Sardines, Cigar Minnows, silversides
- Light selection of lures and terminal tackle

Live Pinfish: Sullivan's Live Pinfish/ 850-643-6965 / Boat will be at the Govt. Cut in the AM

- Pre-Order Fish – Call a few days ahead if possible. He may be at the Captains Meeting to take orders • Generally, he supplies live Pinfish
- Meet him at his boat in the cut on the way out to fish

Tips for catching your own bait

- Try the old St. George Bridge <https://goo.gl/maps/yZCPsJrptSy>
- Sabiki rigs tipped with shrimp (optional) work well for pinfish, sand perch, etc.
- **Do not** try to use the water at Bay City to keep your bait; it is too fresh. Use seawater and an aerator to keep bait fresh

Note: I will try to arrange for Fish Cleaning to be available at Bay City for those who do not want to clean their catch. He will usually clean your catch that night, bag them by species, and put on ice in the icehouse. I believe he charges by the pound. Details at the Captains meeting.

Tournament Director: Austin Schmidt / <mailto:austinschmidt1357@gmail.com> / 770-789-6353