

Safety Equipment Needed for Each Vessel

1. Wearable PFD's of the approved size for each person board. If the boat is over 16' in length a throw able device is also required.
2. Vessel must have a valid registration with registration numbers properly displayed.
3. Must have running lights on the vessel if operated at night. Red and Green lights on bow and white light visible from 360 degrees on the rear. A white anchor light at night must be displayed.
4. If your vessel requires a fire extinguisher make sure it is serviceable.
5. Remember you are responsible for any damage your wake may cause.
6. Use of the cutoff (kill) switch while operating your vessel is highly recommended.
7. Valid fishing licenses and picture I.D. are required on board the vessel for each person fishing.
8. Georgia has a 100-foot law that requires idle speed at locations such as bridges, docks, piers, piling, persons in the water, etc.
9. You must fish in state waters open to the public on the Altamaha River.
10. You are responsible to make weigh-in time. If you are close to the prize money DON'T LEAVE as you may need to take a polygraph test. If you leave you may forfeit your winnings.
11. Remember, you may have to take and pass all polygraph examinations. By declining to take a polygraph, you forfeit any prizes you may have won.
12. The records are:

State of Georgia Records

Flathead Catfish weight of 83 lbs
Channel Catfish weight of 44 lbs 12 oz
White Catfish weight of 8 lbs 10 oz

World Records

Flathead Catfish weight of 123 lbs
Channel Catfish weight of 58 lbs

13. Please read all laws, rules and regulations. Georgia laws and regulations can be found at <http://www.gofishgeorgia.com/> and In case of inclement weather, please use caution and protect yourself. The tournament will continue.
14. **All decisions made by the tournament committee are final.**

The following locations contain pilings in the river. Please be cautious because there are other locations also where various obstructions are below the water surface.

1. Below Dick Swift at : 31 39 15.47 N and 81 48 19.19 W
2. Above Oglethorpe Landing at: 31 43 32.95 N and 81 54 26.12 W
3. Above Beards Bluff at: 31 47 14.76 N and 81 57 51.26 W
4. Below Sansavilla Bluff at: 31 30 07.40 N and 81 38 55.19 W