

COUNTY OF PRINCE EDWARD, VIRGINIA
SANDY RIVER RESERVOIR

FISHING TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

1. All articles contained Section 82-31 of the *Code of the County of Prince Edward, Virginia*, shall be enforced;
2. All applicable State and Federal laws, regulations and administrative code requirements shall be enforced;
3. Not more than four fishing tournament permits shall be issued to any qualifying organization/tournament sponsor annually;
4. The definition of a qualifying organization is one that meets the requirements of the IRS Regulations for 501(c)(3);
5. Not more than four tournaments shall be scheduled per month, and tournaments shall be scheduled for not more than two Saturdays and two Sundays per month;
6. The Reservoir shall be closed to fishing tournaments from July 15 to September 15;
7. The Sandy River Reservoir shall be closed to fishing tournaments on peak vacation/family summer days and weekends, to include Memorial Day Weekend, July 4, and Labor Day Weekend, and others, if so designated by the Board of Supervisors;
8. Fishing tournament sponsors shall be responsible, within two weeks of the date of the tournament, for submitting to the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries creel survey data in a form as provided by the County of Prince Edward;
9. Organizations that fail to submit creel survey data to the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries shall not be approved for additional fishing tournaments;
10. The fee for fishing tournament permits shall be established by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Prince Edward;
11. Based on the available public parking at the Sandy River Reservoir; the maximum total number of boats allowed per tournament shall not exceed forty (40);
12. Tournament sponsors shall be responsible for insuring that the "Proper Care of Tournament Caught Fish" guidelines, as provided by the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, are followed by all participants in the tournament;
13. The Sandy River Reservoir shall remain open for public use to all user groups on dates of scheduled fishing tournaments;
14. Fishing tournaments at the Sandy River Reservoir shall be approved and scheduled by the County Administrator and/or his/her designee, based on the date a properly executed County Tournament Permit Application is submitted to the Prince Edward County Administrator's Office; and
15. The Board of Supervisors of the County of Prince Edward, Virginia shall amend these policies, as needed, to protect and enhance the public recreational enjoyment of the Sandy River Reservoir for all user groups.

For additional information, please contact the Prince Edward County Administrator's Office at 434-392-8837.