

# **TIP-UP TOWN USA 2019**

## **Fishing Contest Hosted by Houghton Lake-Lake Association**

### **FISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS**

The aim of the Tip-Up Town USA Fishing Contest is to promote ice fishing on Houghton Lake. We wish to create a good-natured competitive event that rewards both dedicated fisherman and novices alike.

Contestants must have a Tip-Up-Town USA badge to enter the Fishing Contest. Pre-registration is not required. The Officials' decision will be final in all cases. Officials will not accept any fish with sunken eyes, freezer burn or spear holes Exception: Northern Pike can have spear holes.

Fish must be caught from Houghton Lake during the weekends of Tip-Up-Town USA 2019. The dates are January 18-19-20 and January 25-26-27. All fish entries must be weighed in on a stringer which will be supplied at the Official Weigh Station at time of entry.

The Official Fish Station will be open both weekends - **Saturday 10:00am until 2:00 pm Sunday 10:00am to 1:00pm. ENTRANTS MUST BE IN LINE BY 1:00pm ON SUNDAY**, Officials will identify the last person in line at 1 PM. Prizes will be awarded on The Outdoor Stage. Each weekend is a separate contest. Fish from the first weekend are not eligible to be entered in the second weekend contest and may be marked to prevent this from happening.

All current State fishing regulations apply to this contest with the exception of the following! **#1-All panfish must be a minimum of (7) seven inches in length.**

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### **INDIVIDUAL "LARGEST FISH" CATEGORY**

There are a total of (6) six classes! **Walleye, Northern Pike, Crappie, Perch, Rock Bass and Bluegill/Sunfish!** Only one entry per class per individual. (Bluegill and Sunfish are a combined class in both the Single Catch category)

Largest Fish Classes will be determined by weight. In case of a tie, length will determine the winner. Prizes will be awarded on the Sunday of both weekends:

1st Place, 2nd Place and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Prizes will be awarded from an assortment of prizes.

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### **LARGEST "TOTAL CATCH CATEGORY"**

There will be three classes in the Total Catch Category:

1. Walleye (5 Fish Limit)
2. Northern Pike (5 Northern Pike Limit- only one over 24")
3. Pan Fish Catch Combo. (Pan fish Combo includes Crappie, Perch, Rock Bass and Bluegill/Sunfish)  
A 25 fish limit is applied to the pan fish combo class. Winners in this class will be determined by total weight of all fish entered up to 25.

There will be a first and second place winner in each class.

First place prize: Walleye Catch / Prize Assortment

First Place prize: Northern Pike Catch / Custom Pike Spear each weekend

First place prize: Pan Fish Combo / Prize Assortment

Second place: Prize Assortment for above categories

Third Place: Prize Assortment for above categories

**Grand Prizes:** awarded by ticket drawing on the Sunday of both weekends

**Every individual 15 years old and over entering fish will receive one red ticket. All children 14 and under entering fish will receive one green ticket. Remember: For the Grand Prized Drawings you must be present to win!**

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