

TIP-UP TOWN USA 2020

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 2020. The dates are January 17, 18 & 19 and January 24 & 25. 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 Second Weekend, Saturday 12:00am until 3:00pm .
ENTRANTS MUST BE IN LINE BY CLOSE OF THE EVENT (1&3 respectfully), Officials will identify the last person in line at the close of the event. 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. You may enter as many categories as you wish but can only win one prize per weekend.

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.**

INDIVIDUAL "LARGEST FISH" CATEGORY

There are a total of (5) five classes! **Walleye, Northern Pike, Crappie, Perch, 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.

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

LARGEST "TOTAL CATCH CATEGORY"

There will be three classes in the Total Catch Category (Second Weekend has the smaller Limit)

1. Walleye (5 Fish Limit) second weekend (3 Fish Limit)
2. Northern Pike (5 Pike Limit- only one over 24") (2nd weekend 3 Pike Limit – only 1 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. (total weight of all fish up to 15 for second weekend)

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 /Prize Assortment
- First place prize: Pan Fish Combo / Prize Assortment
- Second place: Prize Assortment for above categories

Grand Prizes: awarded by ticket drawing each weekend immediately after the category prizes.

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!