

TACKLE AND EQUIPMENT REGULATIONS

These regulations shall constitute the procedures for weighing and measuring the caster's tackle and for standardizing the equipment necessary for the conduct of the tournament.

The objectives and jurisdictions of the American Casting Association shall prevail in deciding any question that may arise that is not covered by these regulations.

- 1. SPECIAL REGULATIONS** - Special regulations not inconsistent with the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of the Association may be enacted or revised by action of the Executive Committee.
- 2. STANDARD LINEAR MEASUREMENTS** - Linear measurements may be taken in either English or metric and may be converted to the other system for record purposes. When a distance event is held on land, a tape or an equally accurate electronic measuring instrument shall be used to measure casts. When a fly distance event is held on water the method of measurement shall have the approval of the National Tournament Committee.
- 3. STANDARD WEIGHTS** - All weights shall be in avoirdupois weight (437.5 grains to the ounce) and measured on a beam balance. Digital grain scales that can be calibrated to zero (0) shall also be permitted.
- 4. OFFICIAL PLUGS** - In all Plug events a tolerance of nine (9) grains shall be permitted.
- 5. OFFICIAL FLIES** - In all fly events the flies used shall conform to the standards listed in the Rules for each event. No tolerances to these standards shall be permitted.
- 6. FLY LINES** - In those Fly events where a diameter restriction is imposed, a tolerance of one thousandth (0.001) inch shall be permitted, and the line shall not be stretched after it is stripped from the reel for verification by tournament officials.
- 7. ROD LENGTH** - In all events where restrictions of rod length are imposed a tolerance of one (1) inch shall be permitted.
- 8. TARGETS** - Targets may be constructed of any suitable material. Unless otherwise defined in Rules Governing Events, targets shall be thirty (30) inches outside diameter round ring constructed of tubular material having a maximum outside diameter of one and one-half (1&1/2) inches.
 - A)** Targets shall float no more than seven-eighths (7/8) inch above the water line.
 - B)** Suggested color of targets is one each of red, white, blue, green and yellow to a set of five. It is suggested that the sixth (far) target in the Bass Bug Accuracy be an easily visible color such as white or yellow. Wet Fly accuracy targets may be all one color.
- 9. JUDGING RINGS** - At the discretion of the agency hosting the tournament, concentric rings may be used in the Plug Accuracy and Fly Accuracy events as an aid in judging scores. If used, they shall be provided by the agency hosting the tournament and shall consist of a fifty-four (54) inch outside diameter round ring constructed of tubular material not more than one (1) inch in diameter, attached concentrically to the thirty (30) inch regulation target. The judging ring shall float no higher than the regulation target.
- 10. PLATFORM HEIGHT** - The surface height of any casting box where the event is cast from a platform on water should be no higher than eighteen (18) inches above the water line. In all events cast on land, the casting box shall be at ground level.

