

# SLAM'N SALM'N DERBY

## *Rules and Regulations 2018*



1. Anglers must comply with all Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF & G) regulations as outlined in the 2018 Sport Fishing Regulation and any emergency orders announced by ADF & G.
2. Anglers must observe all posted Alaska Railroad regulations regarding access to Ship Creek.
3. Anglers must park only in designated areas, and if parking payment is required it is the responsibility of the angler to pay the parking fee.
4. Downtown Hope Center, Anchorage Downtown Partnership, Ltd. and the 2018 Slam'n Salm'n Derby are not responsible for the safety and security of anglers, their possessions, their families/children/guests, or their vehicles while participating in the Derby.

### **Location**

Derby Headquarters is located in the Alaska Railroad Plaza near Ship Creek across from the ULU Factory (211 W. Ship Creek Ave, Anchorage, AK 99501).

### **Dates and Times**

June 9<sup>th</sup> – June 16<sup>th</sup>  
8:00 am – 9:00 pm

June 16<sup>th</sup>  
8:00 am – noon  
Closing ceremonies at 1:30

### **Derby Boundary Limits**

Fishing is allowed from the mouth of Ship Creek in Anchorage upstream to a point 100 feet downstream of the Chugach Power Plant dam (marked by a cable stretched across the creek).

The mouth of Ship Creek is defined as the following:

- A visual line from the Port of Anchorage dock at the North to the tip of the boat ramp at the South.
- The remainder of the Ship Creek drainage is outside the Derby boundaries and is closed year-round to all salmon fishing.
- There are a number of land rehabilitation boundaries at Ship Creek so please avoid those areas.
- Reminder: The Derby boundaries are the official 2018 Alaska Department of Fish and Game fishing boundaries for Ship Creek.

### **Derby Tickets and Validation**

Derby tickets are available at Downtown Hope Center, 240 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave or at the Anchorage Downtown Partnership, Ltd. Office, located at 333 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Ave #317, with a \$20.00 recommended donation. They are good for the duration of the Derby. Derby tickets must be acquired before landing a fish to enter into the Derby. Anglers presenting a king salmon entry without a Derby ticket will not be allowed to enter the fish into the Derby. The Derby ticket must be validated with a valid photo identification card at the time of issuing, fish weigh-ins and prize claims along with the proper State of Alaska fishing license and King Salmon stamp (or harvest record card).

### **Eligibility**

All contestants must be at least (6) six years of age, comply with the rules, and be in possession of an official Derby ticket. All contestants 18 years of age and older must have a current sport fishing license and King Salmon Stamp as required by ADF & G. Youth under 18 are not required to possess a sport fishing license, but a harvest record card is required by the ADF & G. Another person or persons may assist a contestant in landing a fish in accordance with ADF & G regulations, but only the angler who hooks the fish may enter the fish in the Derby. Proxy entries are not allowed. All entrants may obtain only one Derby ticket. If found with more than one Derby ticket, the entrant will be disqualified from the tournament and subsequent prize awards.

### **King Salmon Entries**

Only King Salmon may be entered into the Derby. All King Salmon entered into the Derby must be hooked in the mouth, caught within Derby boundaries, and weighed in at Derby Headquarters on the day the fish is caught. The fish shall be presented whole and incapacitated. Prior to weighing a fish, the contestant must show a current 2018 Alaska fishing license, a validated Derby ticket, and a king salmon stamp or harvest record card (if under 18 years of age) prior to weighing the fish. The fish must be logged onto the back of your fishing license or harvest record card prior to bringing an entry to Derby Headquarters for weigh-in, and all fish entries must be caught in compliance with ADF & G regulations. Contestants who choose to weigh a fish at Derby Headquarters must enter that fish in the Derby. After weighing, contestants must sign the official "weigh ticket". After the ticket is signed, the weight is considered final and cannot be contested by the contestant. All fish are subject to being cut opened and inspected, as well as scales or other samples from the fish by a Derby official to validate fish entries. Contestants can replace smaller fish with larger fish in subsequent days if ADF & G regulations for bag, possession and annual harvest limits are not violated.

## **Rules and Judges Decisions**

Derby Judges' decisions and rules of the Derby herein described shall be considered final and binding upon both contestant and sponsors. The Downtown Hope Center (DHC) and Anchorage Downtown Partnership, Ltd. (ADP) reserves the right to make decisions on all matters pertaining to the Derby, including eligibility, weights, time limits, right to receive prizes, and all matters relative to participation in conduct of the Derby. Judges and/or DHC/ADP may disqualify a fish or angle for any reason whatsoever, and decisions of judges on all matters pertaining to this contest shall be final.

## **Prizes**

Prize winners need not be present to win. Prizes will be awarded for the heaviest fish ranked in weight order established by the Derby Committee and posted at the Derby on the prize board. Prizes will be awarded in the following categories:

- Top 10 heaviest overall King Salmon
- Active Duty Military Angler – Heaviest fish
- Daily Mystery Weight - Mystery Weight fish will be awarded for the fish that weighs closest to the mystery weight without going over the mystery weight
- The smallest King Salmon (jacks, sexually precocious males that are one to three years old) will qualify for the smallest fish.
- Tagged Fish – tagged fish will be awarded by the correspondence of the tag number and the Derby tag prizes. In the event of a tie, the first fish entered will be the winner. There will be tagged salmon with prizes ranging from \$1000.00 - \$50.00. Tag numbers will be posted on the prize board.

All prizes will be available after the close of the Derby. By Alaska Law, all applicable cash and money gift card prize participants will have their names submitted to Alaska Division of Child Support Services prior to release of cash prizes. All prizes must be claimed in Anchorage, Alaska by **June 29, 2018**, after the 29<sup>th</sup> of June the prize is forfeited to the Downtown Hope Center. Prizes will be claimed at the Downtown Hope Center located at 240 E 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave (corner of 3<sup>rd</sup> and Cordova). If unable to claim prize, then prize winner must call 277-4302 ext. 101 to make other arrangements for prize pickup. Derby ticket prize winners must fill out an IRS tax form and Prize Receipt forms as required by the State of Alaska at time of prize claim. Alaska Law will be adhered to as directed by Alaska Division of Child Support Services. All unclaimed prizes become the property of the Downtown Hope Center after June 29, 2018.

**Photographs**

Photographs of contestants and any fish entered become the sole property of the Downtown Hope Center and Anchorage Downtown Partnership and may be used for publicity purposes without compensation. Procurement of Derby tickets and/or fish entered for prizes gives/implies permission of consent for photos.

**Waiver of Liability**

The purchase of a Derby ticket constitutes a waiver of liabilities, absolving the Downtown Hope Center, Anchorage Downtown Partnership, Ltd., it's officers, directors, staff and volunteers and all sponsors and their corporate affiliates and respective agents and representatives from any and all damages or liability which may occur after entering and participating in the Derby (this includes pre-setup activities and tear down, June 7th – June 19<sup>th</sup>).

**Derby Results**

Daily updates will be available at Derby Headquarters and on the Downtown Hope Center website as well as the Anchorage Downtown Partnership. Final results will be posted online by June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at [www.downtownhopecenter.org](http://www.downtownhopecenter.org) and [www.anchoragedowntown.org](http://www.anchoragedowntown.org)

**Acceptance of Derby Regulations**

The procurement of Derby tickets indicates a contestant's acceptance of all rules and regulations related to the Downtown Hope Center's and Anchorage Downtown Partnership 2018 Slam'n Salm'n Derby.