

2024 Homer Jackpot Halibut Derby Rules

- 1) Derby runs from May 13 through September 2, 2024 ending at 6 PM.
- 2) All fish must be taken on sport tackle only.
- 3) Tickets must be purchased online at https://www.homerhalibuttournament.com/.
- 4) Derby tickets are \$25 per person per day of fishing and must be purchased by 8 AM to be eligible for that day of fishing. Fish must be caught on the date indicated on the Registration Receipt.
- 5) Anglers must comply with Federal and Alaska Fish and Game regulations, including a valid Alaska fishing license.
- 6) In the event of inclement weather and unable to fish, tickets are refundable or may be exchanged for another ticket to be used at a later date. Tickets must be exchanged on the same day of the canceled trip by 10:00 AM. FOR REFUNDS OR EXCHANGES: Anglers <u>MUST</u> send an email to <u>derby@homeralaska.org</u> with the angler's name, date of the derby registration, charter boat or captain's name.
- 7) Participating anglers must fish from a vessel departing from and returning to the Homer Harbor on the same day.
- 8) The following are not eligible for derby participation: 2024 employees or owners of a charter company when they are with paid clients, and all employees of the Homer Chamber of Commerce (HCOC) & Visitor Center.
- 9) **Tournament Headquarters and Weigh-in Area will be at the Spit Visitor Center** located in the parking lot at the top of Ramp 4. Weigh-in is available between 2-6 PM. If you have questions, contact the Chamber of Commerce at 907-235-7740 ext. 2, M-F 9 AM 5 PM.
- 10) All entries and awarding of prizes are subject to review and final determination by the Homer Halibut Derby Coordinator, the Executive Director, and/or the Board President for the Homer Chamber of Commerce. All contending fish will be scanned for foreign objects and may be gutted and filleted by a representative of Buttwhackers Filet Company. Participants may be subject to a polygraph test. Violation of any rule will disqualify the contestant.
- 11) The HCOC & Visitor Center reserves the right to: photograph all derby entrants, reproduce any photographs for publicity purposes, and retain all photo rights.
- 12) All prize winners are responsible for all taxes & fees associated with prize winnings. Prizes may be subject to withholding based on IRS requirements, and all winners are required to provide W2-G and W-9 forms. All winners are subject to Child Support Service Verification.
- 13) Prize claims for all entrants: If after more than 45 days following the prize announcement, a prize is not claimed, the HCOC or Homer Halibut Committee shall conduct a drawing from the non-winning tickets to determine a new prize winner.
- 14) ALL fish entries with a derby ticket must be brought in and/or weighed between 2-6 PM on the day caught. The minimum size to be weighed is 55 inches. Participating anglers must be accompanied by a witness (preferred Captain or deckhand) to testify that the fish was caught following official derby rules. Anglers entering and weighing fish at Derby Headquarters must complete all official forms. Weighing must be done according to standard derby procedure and certified by a weigh-in official.
- 15) Only one fish may be entered per day of fishing per angler, either a caught or released fish.
- 16) Entrants for the Released Fish prize drawing must complete official registration forms and present a receipt of a valid derby ticket at the Homer Chamber of Commerce, or Buttwhackers Fillet Company on the day the angler returns to the Homer Harbor. The angler's Released Fish Form must be signed by the captain, deckhand or witness), verifying that a live fish measuring 48 inches or more (cell phone picture as proof) was caught and released on the day the ticket was purchased for.

- 17) Prizes: The weekly prize period will run from Mon–Sun. If no fish is over 55 inches in the weekly award, that amount will be added to the next week. The winning angler in the jackpot prize wins 60% of the total Derby entries, less \$1,000 for the Released Fish prize and the weekly prize awards. All other proceeds of Derby remain with the Homer Chamber of Commerce, a 501 c6 Nonprofit organization and the Homer Charter Association, a 501 c3 Nonprofit organization.
- 18) The following chart will give you an estimated weight by the length of the fish. **The minimum** size of the fish to be weighed is 55 inches.

Halibut Length/Weight Chart (Imperial)
Length (inches), Net Weight (lbs, dressed, head-off, slime and ice deducted), Round Weight (lbs)

Round Wt Length Round Wt Length (inches) Net wt (lbs) (lbs) (inches) Net wt (lbs) (lbs) 20 59 103.1 2.3 3.1 77.5 21 2.7 3.6 60 81.8 108.9 22 3.2 4.2 61 86.3 114.8 23 3.7 4.9 62 121.1 91 24 4.2 5.6 63 95.9 127.5 25 4.8 6.4 64 100.9 134.2 26 5.4 7.2 65 106.1 141.1 8.2 66 27 6.2 111.5 148.2 28 6.9 9.2 67 117 155.6 29 7.8 10.3 68 122.8 163.3 30 8.7 11.5 69 128.7 171.2 70 31 9.6 12.8 134.9 179.4 32 10.7 14.2 71 141.2 187.8 15.7 72 147.7 196.5 33 11.8 34 17.3 73 13 154.5 205.5 35 14.3 19 74 161.5 214.7 36 20.8 75 224.3 15.6 168.6 37 17.1 22.7 76 176 234.1 24.8 77 38 183.7 244.3 18.6 39 20.3 27 78 191.5 254.7 79 40 22 29.3 199.6 265.4 41 23.8 31.7 80 207.9 276.5 42 25.8 34.3 81 216.4 287.8 43 27.8 37 82 225.2 299.5 44 39.8 83 234.2 311.5 30 45 32.2 42.9 84 243.5 323.8 46 34.6 46 85 253 336.5 47 37.1 49.3 86 262.7 349.5 48 52.8 87 39.7 272.8 362.8 49 42.5 56.5 88 283.1 376.5 50 45.3 60.3 89 293.6 390.5 90 51 48.3 64.3 404.9 304.4 91 52 51.5 68.5 315.5 419.7 53 54.8 72.8 92 326.9 434.8 54 77.4 93 450.3 58.2 338.6 82.1 94 466.2 55 61.7 350.5 56 65.4 87 95 362.7 482.4 57 92.2 96 499.1 69.3 375.3 58 97.5 73.3