**Lionfish Bowl**

**December 6-8th, 2019**

**Official Rules**

The Lionfish Bowl is intended for viewing and participation in the 50 United States and the District of Columbia (“U.S.”) only and shall only be construed and evaluated according to U.S. law. Do not enter the Lionfish Bowl if you are not, at the time of entry (i) a legal U.S. resident located in the U.S., and (ii) age 18 or older. Employees, officers, and trustees of Museum of Science, Inc., and its onsite vendors, and advertising and promotion agencies, as well as the immediate family members and/or persons living in the same households of each, are not eligible for the Lionfish Bowl. The Lionfish Bowl is void where prohibited.

1. **REGISTRATION**. All team must register for the Lionfish Bowl no later than December 5, 2019. Registration is available at www.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_com. All required information must be provided and submitted for the registration to be accepted. All participants must sign the Liability Waiver Form to be registered in the Lionfish Bowl. Teams will be limited to 2 persons. To qualify for prizes, participants must be registered and provide proper identification.

**Non-refundable** registration fees are $80 per team.

1. **CAPTAINS MEETING:** A Captain's Meeting will take place at **6:30PM Friday, December 6th, 2019** at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Each team **must** have a team representative present at the Captain’s meeting; all team members are encouraged to attend. The team representative must be one of the two team participants registered in the Lionfish Bowl event. Safe collecting and handling techniques and event rules and permits will be reviewed. **IMPORTANT:** If a team representative is unable to attend the captains meeting in person, remote attendance via Go To Meeting will be allowed. Team representatives must register their remote attendance in advance by contacting LAkins@Frostscience.org.
2. **LIONFISH BOWL HOURS**: Begins: December 7th, 2019 at sunrise, continuing until 2:00PM December 8th, 2019. Lionfish may be taken from waters in Palm Beach, Broward, Miami-Dade or Monroe counties as long as the collection occurs during event hours. All fish must be presented at the Scoring Station at Matheson Hammock by **2:00PM Sunday, December 8th, 2019**. Teams **must** report location where the lionfish were removed from on their datasheet.
3. **LIABILITY WAIVER:** Every team member must sign the Liability Waiver Form available at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in order to participate in the Lionfish Bowl. If any team member does not sign and submit the Liability Waiver Form prior to Captain’s Meeting, the team will not be considered entered in the event, even if registration fees were paid.

5. Teams with a valid FWC salt water products license (SPL) will be able to sell their catch the day following scoring on December 8th to licensed wholesale seafood dealers present at the event.

6. Lionfish (*Pterois volitans/miles*) eligible for entry may only be taken during the Lionfish Bowl. No previously caught or frozen lionfish will be allowed. However, **all lionfish must be kept well iced**.

7. Only legal means of capture in areas allowing use of those gear types will be allowed. All existing federal, state, and local laws must be followed. State and Federal laws will be strictly enforced. All permits issued at the Captain’s Meeting must be present while participating in this event.

8. During this event only lionfish may be taken by pole spear with paralyzer tip, hand net or hook and line. No chemicals, traps or other collecting mechanisms are allowed.

9. Protective gloves should be worn when handling lionfish. Participants are encouraged to carry a thermos bottle on the boat containing hot, but not scalding, water for first aid purposes.

10. Prizes will be awarded in 1st through 10th place for most lionfish; and 1st through 5th place for the largest and smallest lionfish.

11. Only one winning entry per team will be allowed in each category (no sweeping of a category).

12. If fewer than 3 entries are received in any category (or 10 in the most category), the remaining awards will be left as unclaimed.

13. In the event of a tie, the winning team will be determined by the earliest check in at the Scoring Station.

14. All lionfish must be in whole condition (no missing heads or tails). Largest and smallest fish will be determined by total length of the fish, in millimeters, measuring from tip of snout to tip of tail.

15. Any live lionfish at Scoring Station may be euthanized prior to being measured.

16. The Lionfish Bowl takes place regardless of weather conditions. Captains make their own decision about whether to venture out.

17. The Lionfish Bowl is an honor system tournament with each team captain being responsible for team compliance with the Official Rules.

18. Anyone found violating Lionfish Bowl Official Rules will be disqualified from receiving any event prizes and prohibited from entry in any future derbies.

19. Decisions of the Lionfish Bowl officials are final.

20. **GENERAL**

By entering the Lionfish Bowl, participants agree to release and indemnify Museum of Science, Inc. and its, trustees, officers, employees, from any and all liability, loss, damage, or injuries of any kind sustained in connection with their participation in the contest or from their acceptance, receipt, possession, and/or use or misuse of any prize, or for any typographical or other error in the printing, offering, or announcement of any prize.

IN NO EVENT WILL ANY OF THE FOREGOING ENTITIES OR INDIVIDUALS BE RESPONSIBLE OR LIABLE FOR ANY DAMAGES OR LOSSES OF ANY KIND, INCLUDING DIRECT, INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL OR PUNITIVE DAMAGES ARISING OUT OF YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THE LIONFISH BOWL OR THE DOWNLOADING FROM AND/OR PRINTING MATERIAL DOWNLOADED FROM THE EVENT WEBSITE. SOME JURISDICTIONS MAY NOT ALLOW THE LIMITATIONS OR EXCLUSION OF LIABILITY FOR INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES OR EXCLUSION OF IMPLIED WARRANTIES SO SOME OF THE ABOVE LIMITATIONS OR EXCLUSIONS MAY NOT APPLY TO YOU. CHECK YOUR LOCAL LAWS FOR ANY RESTRICTIONS OR LIMITATIONS REGARDING THESE LIMITATIONS OR EXCLUSIONS.

By accepting a prize, each winner agrees to the use of his/her name, likeness, voice, and/or biographical information for advertising and promotional purposes, without additional compensation, except where prohibited by law.

The Lionfish Bowl is governed by U.S. law and is subject to all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations. Void where prohibited by law. All issues and questions concerning the construction, validity, interpretation and enforceability of these Official Rules, or the rights and obligations of all parties in connection with this Sweepstakes, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Florida without giving effect to the conflict of laws, and any matters or proceedings which are not subject to arbitration as set forth in these rule and/or for entering any judgment on an arbitration award, shall take place in the State of Florida, in the City of Miami.

The parties waive all rights to trial in any action or proceeding instituted in connection with these Official Rules and/or the Lionfish Bowl. Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to these Official Rules and/or the Lionfish Bowl shall be settled by binding arbitration in accordance with the commercial arbitration rules of the American Arbitration Association. Any such controversy or claim shall be arbitrated on an individual basis and shall not be consolidated in any arbitration with any claim or controversy of any other party. The arbitration shall be conducted in the State of Florida, in the City of Miami, and judgment on the arbitration award may be entered into any court having jurisdiction thereof.

If any provisions of these Official Rules are determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, such determination shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision.

All taxes and any other fees or costs associated with the Prizes are the sole responsibility of the winner. The Prizes are nontransferable, and no substitutions will be made. The winners will be required to sign and return an affidavit of eligibility and a liability and publicity release within 5 calendar days of the date when such documents are sent to winner, or prize will be forfeited. The Prizes will be awarded to verified winners. In the event of noncompliance with these Official Rules the particular prize will be forfeited.

Museum of Science, Inc. assumes no responsibility for any error, omission, interruption, deletion, theft, or destruction, or unauthorized access to, or alteration of, entries. Entries that have been tampered with are void. Museum of Science, Inc. reserves the right to disqualify any participant who Sponsor determines, in its sole discretion, has threatened the operation of this Lionfish Bowl or related website, or violates these Official Rules. Museum of Science, Inc. reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to cancel or suspend the Lionfish Bowl for any reason. All federal, state, and local laws apply.

The Lionfish Bowl and these Official Rules are sponsored and administered by Museum of Science, Inc., d/b/a Frost Science, 1101 Biscayne Blvd, Miami FL 33132

**PRIZES**

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|  | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | 5th | 6th | 7th | 8th | 9th | 10th |
| Most | 2,500 | 2,000 | 1,500 | 1,000 | 750 | 500 | 400 | 300 | 200 | 100 |
| Largest | 1,500 | 1,000 | 500 | 250 | 200 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Smallest | 1,500 | 1,000 | 500 | 250 | 200 |  |  |  |  |  |
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