OFFICIAL RULES, REGULATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS
For the 2012 APC/Monster Event

1. PARTICIPANTS AND ELIGIBILITY: (Anyone is eligible to participate!) This is a team event. A Team will consist of two persons with one exception: A Third person may accompany the team provided that the third person is over 65 years of age or under 16 years of age with Parents signature. The six (6) rod rule will still apply.

2. **RULE CHANGES:** The following rules will remain unchanged throughout the event unless State or local laws are in conflict. Interpretation and enforcement of these rules shall be left exclusively to the Tournament Committee. In the event of a rule violation, the Tournament Committee may impose such sanctions as they deem appropriate, including, without limitation disqualification, forfeiture of prizes, entry fee and prohibition from participation in subsequent tournaments. The decision of the Tournament Committee shall be final in all matters. It is at the Committees discretion to make a change where safety of the contestants is a concern. All Federal, State and local laws must be obeyed and it is the contestant`s responsibility to know these rules.

3. **SPORTSMANSHIP:** All contestants are expected to follow high standards of sportsmanship, courtesy, safety and conservation. Any contestant who displays poor sportsmanship, violates these rules or any state or local laws or brings unfavorable publicity to the sport of cat fishing will be disqualified.

5. **SAFETY:** Boating safety must be observed at all times. All boats must have a working kill switch and a U.S. Coast Guard approved chest type life preserver that must be on and fastened any time the combustible engine is operative. The kill switch also must be attached to the driver when the engine is operative.

6. **PERMITTED FISHING WATERS:** Logan Martin Lake. Fishing within 50 yards of a marina gas pump is prohibited. No anchoring within 50 yards of another anchored boat.

7. **MEETING**: One participant of each team MUST be present at meeting / dinner the night before the tournament for instructions and boat number drawing.

8. **LIVE WELL CHECK:** There will be a live well check prior to Blast Off. Ribbons will be issued to participants after the check. Live wells must be used and no stringers or decoy bags allowed. **YOU MUST HAVE AN ADEQUATE LIVE TANK TO PARTICAPATE.**

9. **FISHING HOURS:** Fishing hours will be 6 am – 3 pm. All boats must check in by 4 PM and no later. **There will be no exceptions to this rule and will result in disqualification.**

10. **BOAT LAUNCH:** Teams will launch from event site (Clear Creek Marina) the official boat ramp the morning of the tournament and released by the weigh master by boat number that you were issued.

11. **BAIT:** Any legal or commercial bait will be allowed. No chumming or hole baiting of any kind is allowed.

12. **NUMBER OF RODS ALLOWED:** All fish weighed must be caught by rod and reel only. A Maximum of six (6) Rods per boat is allowed to be used at any given time. Any team with a third person is still limited to (six) rods. You may have extra rod and reels in the boat.

13. **SCORING**: Blue Catfish, Channel Catfish, or Flathead Catfish may be weighed. A team limit of five (5) fish maximum must be alive to weigh in and must be a minimum of 15 inches or state law legal limit. Alabama State law only allows 1 fish over 34 inches per person, Which means, a team of two can bring 2 fish over 34 inches to the weigh-in, the remaining three of the five fish limit will need to be under 34 inches. Teams consisting of three persons, under 16 or over 65 will only be allowed 2 fish over 34 inches.

14. **SNAGGING:** No snagging will be allowed.

15. **TIES**: In the event of a tie the prize money will be combined and split among the two teams.

16. **PROTESTS:** All protests must be submitted in writing before the tournament committee closes the scales.
17. **POLYGRAPH**: All contestants are subject to a polygraph test. Failure to submit to a polygraph test will result in immediate disqualification.

18. **ANGLER PRESENTATION:** Because this is a high profile event with many media opportunities (**we will require)** a fishing/tournament apparel to be worn at the weigh-in or other media activities to portray and maintain professionalism.
(**NO T-SHIRTS)** A nice fishing shirt is all that is required; it doesn't have to be a $100.00 tournament jersey**.** (Cabela's/BPS or Wal-Mart has fishing shirts for as low as $20.00)
19. **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND DRUGS:** At no time during tournament hours are any alcoholic beverages or drugs other than prescription allowed in the boat or to be consumed while on the water.
19.5 NO **Tobacco products** within 50 foot of the stage. Because this is a high profile event with major media coverage, we wish to maintain a professional appearance.
20. **REGISTRATION**: Register online by contacting Steve at catfishinginfo@gmail.com or Mail entry form, payment to:

Monster Rod Holders
3625 New Shepherdsville Rd.
Bardstown KY 40004

Make all checks payable to
Monster Rod Holders

The deadline for registration is JUNE 1, 2012. Any registrations after this date will be charged a $50 late fee. No refunds will be given.

MANDATORY

Check-in/Registration
Thursday June 14th • 5pm- 7pm
Childersburg park and recreation center
300 1st St SE Childersburg, AL 35044

2012 APC/Monster Rod Holders Open
Elite Catfish tournament

June 15th and 16th, 2012 • Logan Martin Lake, AL

ENTRY FEE: $500.00 per boat
Optional: BIG FISH $20.00per boat

PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT, RELEASE, AND ACKOWLEDGMENT OF RISK

I acknowledge and agree to the following:

1. I have read and understand the description of the tournament and the Official Rules of this tournament. I will obey all rules and understand that any violation may result in immediate disqualification without refund of my entry fee. I also understand that tournament officials may reject my application for any reason and in such event, tournament officials will refund my entry fee.

2. I understand and acknowledge that competitive Catfishing is a dangerous sport, the risks of which include, though not exclusively, drowning, collisions in the water, and injuries from hooks and other fishing paraphernalia. I voluntarily assume responsibility for these risks identified and not identified, and all risk of injury or death or damage to myself, or my property or to others, including spectators and their property arising from my participation in the tournament.

3. I hereby release, discharge, and agree to hold harmless and indemnify say American ProCatters/Monster Rod Holders and all related companies and each companies directors, officers, shareholders and agents personally and in their representative capacities and all other entities associated with the tournament from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions or rights of action which are related to, arise out of, or are in any way connected with my participation in this tournament, including specifically but not limited to the negligent acts or omissions of American ProCatters/Monster Rod Holders Tournament, directors, and all other entities associated with the tournament, for any and all injury, death, illness or disease, and other damage or loss to property suffered by myself or others. In signing this document, I acknowledge and agree that if anyone is hurt or property is damaged while I am engaged in this event, I will have no right to make a claim or file a lawsuit against American ProCatters/Monster Rod Holders, directors, and all other persons associated with the tournament, even if they or any of them negligently caused the bodily injury or property damage.

4. I have sufficient health, accident and liability insurance to cover any bodily injury or property damage incurred by myself or others as a result of my participation in this event. If I have no such insurance, I represent that I am capable of paying for any and all such expenses or liability.

5. I have no past or present medical or psychological condition that might affect my participation in the tournament in such a way as to cause harm to others or myself.

6. My signature below reflects that I have read this entire document, understand it completely, understand that it affects my legal rights, and agree to be bound by its terms. References herein to I, my, myself and other first person references shall include any child or ward for whom I sign.

1. Captian: _____

2. Co-Angler: _____

REGISTRATION FORM

Captian

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: ZIP: _____

Phone: _____

SSN: _____

Email: _____

Co-Angler

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: ZIP: _____

Phone: _____

SSN: _____

Email: _____

(Entry fee includes (2) Anglers Dinner vouchers and (2) Practice Tournament Tee's

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