



## 2016 CT CARP Open - October 9-14, 2016

This is a Big Fish and Big 4 Event – ONLY *cyprinus carpio* count.

Registration must be paid in full prior to the draw.

Anglers may fish as partners (2 anglers) or individually. This designation must be determined when registering and cannot be changed - once a choice has been made - for the entire event.

The draw will start with 1 random angler's name being chosen. They will draw 2 pegs locations then announce the peg they choose to fish. They will then draw the next name, and this procedure will progress until all anglers have chosen their pegs. Should an angler opt to choose neither pegs, they can return to the end of the line and redraw.

Anglers arriving during the draw will wait until the draw is finalized then draw 2 and choose a peg. If a paid angler(s) is not present at the draw a proxy peg will be drawn for them after all anglers have drawn.

Angler's pegs are reserved even if they choose not to fish the full 24/7.

CARPTS's innovative and unique "Moving Day Rule" is exclusive to CARPTS tournaments. Starting Tuesday at noon anglers may move to unoccupied /open pegs. It's a first come first serve basis. If two teams arrive to declare a peg at the same time, the team which drew last at the initial peg draw will have priority to choose that peg, excluding absentee draws for late peg draw arrivals. This option ends Wednesday at noon. No pre-baiting in non-occupied pegs is allowed.

Anglers need to stay in a relatively close proximity to the peg area 10-15 yards either side is suggested.

CT DEEP, CT State Parks and applicable municipalities rules apply. CARPTS has received special permission to fish 24/7 in all pegs prior to this event.

Any angler that leaves trash or debris in their swim will receive a lifetime ban from any CARPTS event in the future and any potential littering or applicable fines will be imposed.

CARPTS expects all participants to apply good sportsmanship and common sense during this event. Any questions should be asked prior to the peg draw.

Fish need to be over 22 lbs to make the Big 4 board. Anglers need to determine the weight before calling a marshal making sure it will qualify for the Big 4 board.

We will post updates on social media such as Facebook, or you can text a marshal or the tournament director if you believe you may have a daily big fish.

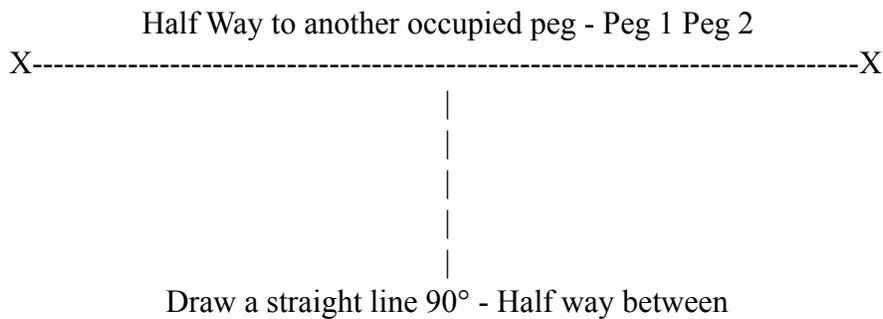
There is also a Big Fantail prize for the contest which we will update through the week.

A potential CT state record will be a priority.

Peg arrival time on day 1 is no earlier than first light.

No baiting or fishing until 10am on day 1.

Plumbing and peg assessment can start upon arrival.



General Rules:

The week prior to the event anglers may not fish or bait up any areas designated as permissible for the event. (Monday October 3rd) Anglers may research, check depths, locations as they choose up until the time of the peg draw on Sunday.

All CARPTS standard rules apply:

- One hook per rod
- Fish friendly nets
- Unhooking mats
- Fish must be released in good health

- No open fires
- Tripods and weigh slings on a peg for weighing procedures (CARPTS has a limited number of loaners)
- Keep sacks to hold fish for marshals, 1 fish per sack
- NO boats
- Personal toilets required in areas that do not have public restroom facilities
- All sturgeon must be released immediately if caught

*CARPTS employees and their immediate families are not eligible to participate or win any cash or prizes connected in any way to any CARPTS hosted tournaments.*

Special notes:

Cabela's - the freshwater aquarium at Cabela's is always looking for unique specimens for their tanks. We will inform anglers at the peg draw which specimens the aquarium manager is seeking. Cabela's will arrange safe live transport from your peg to the store.

Payouts – Guaranteed:

Big Fish Winner - \$1500

Big 4 Winner- \$3500

Big 4 Second Place \$2500

Big 4 Third Place - \$1500

Big 4 Fourth Place - \$1000

Big Mirror \$500

Daily Big Fish \$500

Captured 2pm to 2pm each day (starting at 10am to 2pm - Tuesday being day 1 - Friday at 2pm). Fish must be weighed and verified by marshal to count prior to the 2pm deadline.

Big Fan Tail - 3-Saxon Rods

Total Guaranteed Prize pool \$12,500

The angler determined to establish the new CT state record during the event by the CT DEEP would be the winner of the bonus \$100,000.

All ties will be decided/broken by the next largest fish captured in all categories.

The \$100,000 ultimate winner will be subjected to a lie detector test, which is standard procedure for these types of events. CT DEEP officials will know the location of all events participants and will be checking on participants from time to time along with the marshals. Record fish captures require both events marshal (or tournament director) and CT DEEP official present to be eligible.

Runners:

Cannot participate in the fishing aspects of the competition (ie - baiting, casting, etc.)  
They can assist in netting fish.

*CARPTS reserves the right to use photographs and video footage of anglers and the event for any marketing purposes such as media, advertising and social media.*

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