

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS**  
**2025 FISH REFLECTIONS FISHING COMPETITION**

1. The Fish Reflections fishing competition ("the Competition") is an open fishing competition.
2. The Competition is conducted by Reflections Holidays, Suite 3 / 101 Hannell Street, Wickham, NSW, 2293. ABN 26 087 692 248
3. The object of the Competition is the capture, measure, photograph and release of fish.
4. The Competition will be held over two days:
  - a. Day One: Saturday 27 September 2025; fishing will commence AEDT 0600 and conclude at AEDT 1800.
  - b. Day Two: Sunday 28 September 2025; fishing will commence AEDT 0600 and conclude AEDT 1800.
5. Registration fees for Fish Reflections fishing competition:
  - a. Adult entry AU\$35.00 plus postage and handling per entry.
  - b. Junior entry AU\$30.00 plus postage and handling per entry.
    - i. All junior Competitors must be 16 years of age or under at the time of the competition.
6. All paid and registered Competitors will receive a Fish Reflections brag mat and limited-edition sticker.
7. All paid and registered junior competitors will receive a packet of Berkley Powerbait valued at \$12.99 RRP.
8. Early Bird Incentive:
  - a. The first five hundred (500) adult competitors will receive a packet of Berkley Powerbait valued at \$12.99 RRP, in addition to the competition brag mat and sticker.
  - b. The first fifty (50) junior competitors will receive a \$10 BCF gift card in addition to the competition brag mat and sticker and junior Berkley Powerbait giveaway.
9. Refund policy. Please refer to Point 71 for full details.
10. Registrations for the competition will open 0900 on Monday 28 July 2025 and close 1200 hours on Sunday 28 September 2025 or until the stock of brag mats are sold, whichever occurs first.
11. Reflections Holidays Privacy Policy:
  - a. Will only collect personal information directly from you, or your authorised agent.
  - b. The information collected will be for lawful purposes directly related to the functions of the Fish Reflections competition.
  - c. Will only request information that is necessary for the purpose of the collection.

12. Registered Competitors will be able to unsubscribe from Fish Reflections e-mail updates and event media releases.
  - a. All registered Competitors will receive the following compulsory emails:
    - i. confirmation of registration and welcome
    - ii. angler number and species list
    - iii. list of competition and prize draw winners
13. All paid and registered Competitors will be entered in the Fish Reflections Prize Draw.
  - a. Please see the Terms and Conditions of the Fish Reflections Prize Draw for full details.
  - b. The Fish Reflections Prize Draw will open 0900 on Monday 28 July 2025 and close at 1200 on Sunday 28 September 2025.
  - c. Total Prize Draw value: \$33,828.98
14. Competitors who hold a valid Reflections Holiday Parks booking for a minimum of two (2) consecutive nights, with the stay taking place between 15 August 2025 and 6 October 2025 will be eligible for the 'Just For Staying' Giveaway.
  - a. Please see the Terms and Conditions of the Fish Reflections 'Just For Staying' Giveaway for full details.
  - b. Total Giveaway value: \$8000.00
15. Registered Competitors may enter one photograph per target species with a maximum upload of five (5) photographs per Competitor. There will be twelve (12) separate target fish categories:
  - I. Bream: senior and junior categories (measured to the fork)
  - II. Flathead: senior and junior categories (measured overall)
  - III. Tailor: senior and junior categories (measured to the fork)
  - IV. Whiting: senior and junior categories (measured to the fork)
  - V. Australian Bass: senior and junior categories (measured to the fork)
  - VI. Australian Salmon senior and junior categories (measured to the fork)
  - VII. Mangrove Jack senior and junior categories (measured to the fork)
  - VIII. European Carp senior and junior categories (measured to the fork)
  - IX. Dart senior and junior categories (measured to the fork)

- X. Leatherjacket senior and junior categories (measured overall). Please note Ocean Leatherjacket (ie, any of the large offshore species) are not eligible for this competition.
  - XI. Golden Perch senior and junior categories (measured overall)
  - XII. Redfin Perch senior and junior categories (measured to the fork)
16. All Competitors, who are required, must hold a valid NSW Recreational Fishing License. Competitors may be asked to produce proof of the license before prizes are awarded.
  17. Competitor angler numbers will be available on entry to the Competition.
  18. The Competition code word will be available on the website and via text and email on Friday, 26 September 2025 after 1800 AEDT.
  19. Competitors must use the 2025 Fish Reflections brag mat to measure and photograph their competition entries. No other measurement mats or devices will be allowed without strict prior authorization from the organizing Committee.
  20. If a noxious/pest fish is chosen as a target species it can be photographed on the brag mat then dispatched as per State Fisheries guidelines and regulations. For example, NSW State Fisheries regulations recommend pest fish be dispatched by a sharp blow to the head or placed in an ice slurry. The fish should be disposed of in an appropriate waste bin.
  21. Any noxious/pest fish species caught, i.e. carp, should be disposed of according to NSW State Fisheries regulations.
  22. The Competition area encompasses the tidal waters of NSW and all public beaches along with all freshwater creeks, river systems and public freshwater impoundments open to the public.
    - a. Fishing is only permitted in areas open to the public.
    - b. No farmed or commercially grown fish are permitted in the Competition
    - c. Strictly no fishing permitted in any marine parks or sanctuary zones where line fishing is not permitted.
    - d. Ocean rock platform fishing is not permitted in the Competition.
  23. Fishing hours for Competitors will be:
    - a. Saturday, 27 September 2025 not before AEDT 0600 and cease AEDT 1800
    - b. Sunday, 28 September 2025 not before AEDT 0600 and cease AEDT 1800
  24. Any fish caught outside of competition hours will be excluded from the competition.
  25. Photographs of competition fish must be caught and photographed in daylight hours.
  26. Photographs of competition fish taken in the dark will be excluded from the competition.
  27. Photographs of competition fish taken with a flash will be excluded from the competition.
  28. All fish measured and photographed on the brag mat must be positioned with the nose of the fish at the "0" marker. Any fish with the tail to the "0" marker will be excluded from the competition.

- a. The dorsal fin must point towards the top of the brag mat. Any fish photographs submitted with the fish upside down (i.e. the dorsal fin to the bottom of the brag mat) will be excluded.
  - b. Flat fish are to be positioned belly down on the brag mat with the head to the "0".
  - c. All fish must be laid on the mat and photographed in their natural position. Any fish with lower jaws extended or tails squashed to lengthen the fish will either have measurement deductions or possible exclusion.
  - d. Any anomalies to the tail of a fish will not be included in the overall measurement of the fish.
  - e. The wisp on the tail of fan-bellied leatherjackets will not be included in the overall measurement of the fish.
  - f. The photograph must be taken directly above the fish with the camera in a level horizontal position and the fish centred in the photograph.
  - g. Any photographs taken on a low angle from the tail end causing a parallax error will be excluded from the Competition.
  - h. Any photographs taken on a low angle from the head end causing a parallax error will be excluded from the Competition.
29. Photographs must be of a live, non-mutilated fish.
  30. Once the photograph has been taken the fish must be released as quickly as possible, carefully back into the water.
  31. Any evidence of fish being killed after the photograph has been taken will result in instant disqualification of the Competitor.
  32. Any fish deemed to be dead or unable to be released by the Fish Reflections Committee will be ineligible. Guidelines for best practice release methods can be found at [http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/data/assets/pdf\\_file/0009/478053/nsw-recreational-fishing-catch-and-release-handbook.pdf](http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0009/478053/nsw-recreational-fishing-catch-and-release-handbook.pdf)
  33. Any digital manipulation of photographs is prohibited and will result in instant disqualification of the Competitor.
  34. Any use of artificial intelligence (AI) to manipulate photographic entries will result in instant disqualification. This includes filters or editing tools on mobile phones.
  35. All Competitors upon request must be able to submit an unedited raw photograph of their entry to the Organisers. If the photograph cannot be produced the Competitor will be excluded.
  36. Any Competitor found to have caught and tethered or caged fish either before the event commences or out of hours will be excluded from the event and all future events.
  37. Junior and senior Competitors may only enter fish caught by themselves.
  38. Junior and senior Competitors may only enter a fish once in the competition.
  39. Junior and senior Competitors who enter a fish more than once in the competition either by placing the same fish on another Competitor's brag mat or use another Competitor's angler number for the same fish will be excluded from the competition.

40. It is the responsibility of the Competitor to ensure photographs are uploaded to the website correctly.
41. Photographs may **ONLY** be uploaded to the Fish Reflections website. Any photographs received from Competitors via email or Facebook will not be eligible for the target species photograph and release section of the Competition.
42. Five (5) photographs in total per Competitor can be uploaded.
43. Only one (1) photograph will be accepted per target species per Competitor.
44. To be eligible for judging all photographs must clearly display the Competitor's angler number and the Competition codeword.
45. In the event more than one (1) photograph for a target species is uploaded to the website by a competitor the first photograph received will be judged by the panel.
46. Photographs may be uploaded to the Fish Reflections website by Competitors from 30 minutes after official start time on Saturday, 27 September 2025 until 6am on Monday, 29 September 2025.
47. In the event of a Competitor not uploading a fish photograph prior to 6am on Monday, 29 September 2025 the Competitor will not be eligible for the target species photograph and release section of the Competition.
48. Competitors must complete the photo upload information page correctly and accurately including the estimated length.
  - a. Australian Bass, Australian Salmon, Bream, Tailor, Mangrove Jack, Whiting, Carp and Redfin Perch are measured at an overall length to the millimeter. From the "0" line to the fork of the tail.
  - b. Flathead, Trout (both Rainbow and Brown), Leatherjacket and Golden Perch with be measured to the overall length. From the "0" line to the tip of the tail.
  - c. Fish photos uploaded with the incorrect information may not be eligible for judging.
49. Any photographs sent to the Fish Reflections fishing competition can be used for marketing or advertising purposes.
50. All fish must comply with NSW State Fisheries minimum lengths and bag limits. The Fish Reflections organizing committee strongly recommends for all Competitors to avoid targeting spawning or pre-spawning aggregations of fish stocks, and to avoid interactions with threatened fish and other threatened aquatic species.
51. Competitors may fish a maximum of 2 lines in the water at any one time.
52. Netting with a hand-held landing net or a set of lip grips is the **only assistance** permissible to a competitor (junior or senior) in the capture of a fish. When using lip grips always support the belly of the fish.
53. We strongly recommend the use of knotless nets (eg Berkley catch and release rubber landing net) for landing of fish.
54. Boats, canoes and kayaks must comply with NSW Maritime safety requirements. Please ensure all boats, canoes, kayaks and trailers are free of noxious weeds, plants and their seeds before entering any waterway.

55. The organizers only recommend the use of Australian bait products and the use of imported baits such as frozen prawns is strictly prohibited.
56. All Competitors are strictly advised to remove all rubbish from campsites and waterways and place them in the correct disposal areas/bins.
57. Where possible the organizers recommend the use of kayaks, canoes or electric motors to minimize the carbon footprint of the Competition.
58. The Competition is not open to commercial fishing vessels (recreation style charter vessels are permitted).
59. All fish must be caught on rod and reel or hand line with the number of hooks/lures as per NSW State Fisheries regulations. Electronic reels are not permitted for use except for persons with a disability.
60. Commercial fishing methods and techniques (nets, trawl, and longline) are not permitted.
61. Home aquarium fish are excluded from the competition.
62. Participants, Competitors and Observers:
  - a. acknowledge that fishing and boating are activities which contain elements of risk and danger;
  - b. acknowledge that the decision to participate in the Competition and the decision to go to sea is theirs alone;
  - c. accept full responsibility for their own safety and the risks and consequences of participating in the event;
  - d. hold Reflections Holidays, its associated companies and contractors; Complete Boating Solutions Pty Limited, its associated companies and contractors; blameless;
  - e. release and discharge Reflections Holidays, its associated companies and contractors; Complete Boating Solutions Pty Limited, its associated companies and contractors; from any liability; and
  - f. indemnify Reflections Holidays, its associated companies and contractors; Complete Boating Solutions Pty Limited, its associated companies and contractors; for any claims, actions, suits and court proceedings brought against it or any of them arising from the conduct of the event.
63. Competition Prizes:
  - a. Senior Competition:

Senior prizes for each of the twelve (12) target species will be awarded to:

    - i. First place for the longest fish (either to the fork or tail depending on species list. (Please see term 15).
    - ii. Second place for the second longest fish (either to the fork or tail depending on species list. (Please see term 15).
  - b. Junior Competition:

Junior prizes for each of the twelve (12) target species will be awarded to:

- i. First place for the longest fish (either to the fork or tail depending on species list. (Please see term 15).
  - ii. Second place for the second longest fish (either to the fork or tail depending on species list. (Please see term 15).
- c. In the event of a tie (i.e. two or more fish of the same length) a countback will apply. The first fish photograph uploaded to the Fish Reflections website will be awarded the prize. (For example, a photo uploaded at 4.55pm will win over a fish sent at 4.56pm and measuring the identical length.)

64. Mystery length prizes:

- a. The mystery length prize is open to both senior and junior Competitors.
  - i. The following prize packs will be awarded to the mystery length winner in each of the twelve (12) target fish categories:
    - i. Mystery Length: \$1000 Berkley and Abu Garcia Fishing Tackle Pack
- b. The mystery lengths will not be disclosed until the winners are announced on Saturday, 4 October 2025 via the Fish Reflections website.
- c. In the event of a tie (i.e. two or more fish of the same mystery length or of the same metric distance away from the mystery length) a count-back will apply. The first fish photograph uploaded to the Fish Reflections website will be awarded the prize. (For example, a photo uploaded at 4.55pm will win over a fish sent at 4.56pm and measuring the identical length.)
- d. All mystery length winners will be ineligible to win either first or second prizes for their target species.
- e. All mystery lengths will be longer than the minimum legal length as per NSW Fisheries regulations.
- f. Example of mystery length calculation: Target fish is flathead and mystery length is 46.4mm. Two photos are submitted of flathead, one at 46.2mm and one at 46.7mm. If these two fish were the closest to the mystery length the winner would be 46.2mm.
- g. The judging committee will be supplied with the complete list of mystery lengths at the close of photo uploads AEDT 2100 Hours 28 September 2025.

65. All competitors, both senior and junior, may only win a maximum of one prize in the catch and release section of the competition.

- a. In the event a competitor is judged to have placed first or second, or first in the mystery length; in two or more catch and release categories, they will only be eligible to win one category. The highest value prize will be awarded to the competitor.
  - i. For example, if a competitor placed second in senior bream but first in senior flathead; then the flathead prize would be awarded.
- b. In the event a competitor is judged to have won two x first places, or two x second places, or two x mystery length a countback will apply.

- i. For example, a competitor is judged to have won second place in senior tailor (photo upload 3.40pm) and second place in senior whiting (photo upload 3.41pm) then the tailor photograph will be awarded second place.
  - c. The Fish Reflections Prize Draw is a game of chance and separate to the catch and release section of the Competition. A competitor may win a prize in the Fish Reflections prize draw and the catch and release competition.
  - d. The Just For Staying Giveaway is a game of chance and separate to the catch and release section of the Competition. A competitor may win a prize in the Just For Staying Giveaway and the catch and release competition.
66. All prizes are not transferable.
67. All prizes are not redeemable for cash.
68. The winners and runners-up for each target fish category will be announced on [www.fishreflections.com.au](http://www.fishreflections.com.au) Saturday, 4 October 2025 and notified by email. They may also be contacted via telephone and mail.
69. The Competition prize pool is as follows:
  - a. Senior:
    - i. First prize: Twelve (12) x \$750 RRP Berkley / Abu Garcia Pack + \$250 RRP Salty Captain Bundle
    - ii. Second prize: Twelve (12) x \$500 RRP Berkley / Abu Garcia Pack
  - b. Junior
    - i. First prize: Twelve (12) x \$450 Berkley / Abu Garcia Pack
    - ii. Second prize: Twelve (12) x \$250 Berkley / Abu Garcia Pack
  - c. Mystery Length
    - i. \$1000 RPP Berkley / Abu Garcia Pack
  - d. The monetary value of prizes from our commercial partners is based on recommended retail pricing and not discounted third party/retailer pricing.
70. Total Competition prize pool is \$80,228.98, including:
  - a. Catch and release competition: \$38,400.00
  - b. Fish Reflections prize draw: \$33,828.98
  - c. Just For Staying Giveaway: \$8,000.00
71. Refund policy:
  - a. The brag mat, sticker and where applicable Berkley powerbait must be in its original condition and packaging to be eligible for a refund. Refunds are applicable within 30 days from the date of purchase. Refunds will not be given for unseen weather conditions, competitor work commitments, competitor sporting commitments or change of mind.

- b. To initiate a return, please get in touch with our customer support team at [info@fishreflections.com.au](mailto:info@fishreflections.com.au) or call 0457 481644.
- c. Returns must be initiated within 30 days of the date of purchase. Late returns may not be accepted.
- d. Items must be returned in their original condition, unused, and with all tags and packaging intact. We reserve the right to refuse refunds for items not meeting these criteria.
- e. Refunds will be issued to the original payment method.
- f. In certain circumstances, we reserve the right to cancel a refund if new information emerges that proves the customer's claim invalid. Customers will be notified promptly, and an explanation will be provided.
- g. Our refund policy complies with the Australian Consumer Law (ACL) and other relevant consumer protection laws.
- h. For any refund questions or concerns, please get in touch with our customer support team at [info@fishreflections.com.au](mailto:info@fishreflections.com.au) or call 0457 481644.
- i. We reserve the right to update and modify this refund policy as needed.
  - i. Any changes will be effective immediately upon posting on our website.
  - ii. By entering Fish Reflections you acknowledge and agree to the terms outlined in this refund policy.

- 72. The Fish Reflections organizers reserve the right to cancel entry to disruptive or abusive Competitors. There will be no dialogue or negotiation with the Fish Reflections committee and their decision will be final.
- 73. The Committee's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
- 74. All issues overlooked in these Rules will be addressed by the Fish Reflections Committee and their decision will be final.