

Vermont Statutes Annotated, Title 10 §4613

**Fishing Tournaments**

- a) No person or organization shall hold a fishing tournament on the waters of the state without first obtaining a permit from the department of fish and wildlife.
- b) A fishing tournament means a contest, in which anglers pay a fee to enter and in which the entrants compete for a prize based on the quality or size of fish they catch. A tournament that limits the entrants to people below 15 years of age or a tournament held as part of a special olympics program shall be exempt from paying the fee required under subsection (d) of this section.
- c) The commissioner shall adopt rules that establish the procedure for implementation of this section.
- d) The commissioner shall charge a fee of \$50.00 for each permit issued under this section and shall deposit the fee collected into the fish and wildlife fund.

-Added 1991; amended 2004.

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Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department

**Rules and Procedures for 10 VSA §4613 Fishing Tournaments**

- a) The permit for a fishing tournament as required by Section 4613 shall be applied for no less than 30 days before the date of the tournament. The following information will be supplied to the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department:
- b) Within thirty (30) days after the tournament ends a report of the following information shall be provided the Department:

Total number of tickets sold, estimated number of anglers, number of anglers that registered catch, number of each species of fish registered, and the number of registered fish released alive following registration.

Tournament sponsors may be requested to cooperate further with the Department in gathering additional information.

All tournament rules shall be structured within the laws of the State of Vermont. A fishing license is required by anyone 15 years of age and older. All legal fishing methods and limits shall apply.

-1994, Fish and Wildlife Commissioner's Regulation No. 1005, effective February 13, 1994.