

CAST AND CATCH / BEAUMONT ESTON FARMERS CLUB

OFFICIAL COMPETITION RULES

Fishing Competition – 10 October 2026

1. GENERAL

1.1 The competition will take place on Saturday, 10 October 2026.

1.2 The competition headquarters, registration area and prize giving venue shall be the Beaumont Eston Farmers Club.

1.3 By entering the competition, all participants acknowledge that they have read, understood and accepted:

- The official competition rules;
- The disclaimer and indemnity agreement;
- All safety regulations and instructions issued by organisers and marshals.

1.4 The organisers reserve the right to amend rules where necessary in the interests of safety, fairness and event management.

2. REGISTRATION AND BRIEFING

2.1 Registration opens from 04:30 on Saturday, 10 October 2026.

2.2 All participants must register in person before launching or commencing fishing activities.

2.3 During registration:

- Participants will receive official wristbands;
- Participant numbers will be marked on the entrant's hand or bands using permanent marker;
- Competition maps and dam allocations will be issued.

2.4 The official competition briefing will commence promptly at 05:15am.

2.5 Fishing may only commence at 06:00.

2.6 Official “Lines Up” time is 15:00 sharp. No fish caught after this time will be eligible.

2.7 Prize giving will commence at approximately 16:00 at the club.

3. ENTRY FEES AND REFUNDS

3.1 Entry is only confirmed once payment has been received in full via the official competition entry platform on the [Cast and Catch website](#).

3.2 STRICT NO REFUNDS POLICY:

- Once an entry has been submitted and payment received, no refunds will be issued under any circumstances, including but not limited to:
 - Illness;
 - Vehicle breakdown;
 - Weather conditions;
 - Personal circumstances;
 - Failure to attend the event.
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4. FISHING AREAS

4.1 Participants may only fish in dams officially allocated and approved by the organisers.

4.2 NO OTHER DAMS OR WATER BODIES MAY BE FISHED DURING THE COMPETITION.

4.3 Participants must:

- Remain within designated competition boundaries;
- Use only approved access roads;
- Follow all signage and marshal instructions.

4.4 Detailed maps indicating fishing areas, roads and parking zones will be provided at registration.

5. RESPECT FOR FARMS AND PROPERTY

5.1 All participants must respect:

- Private property;

- Farm infrastructure;
- Livestock;
- Crops;
- Fences;
- Gates;
- Roads and surrounding environments.

5.2 No littering whatsoever will be tolerated.

5.3 Participants must remove all litter, fishing line, hooks and refuse from dams and surrounding areas.

5.4 Any participant causing damage to property or the environment may:

- Be disqualified;
- Be removed from the event;
- Be held personally liable for damages.

6. SAFETY

6.1 Participant safety is the highest priority.

6.2 Small children must be supervised by a responsible adult at all times.

6.3 Participants must obey all instructions from:

- Marshals;
- Officials;
- Farmers;
- Organisers.

6.4 Participants must pay attention to:

- Road directions;
- Parking instructions;
- Safety announcements;
- Weather warnings.

6.5 The organisers reserve the right to stop or cancel the competition at any stage due to:

- Lightning;
- Storms;
- Unsafe weather;
- Dangerous water conditions;

- Any safety concern deemed necessary by organisers.

6.6 If instructed to stop fishing and return to the club, participants must do so immediately.

7. WATERCRAFT RULES

7.1 ONLY the following small craft are permitted:

- Kick boats;
- Float tubes;
- Canoes;
- Paddle craft;
- Small pontoon boats;
- Small non-petrol craft fitted with battery-powered sneaker motors.

7.2 NO petrol motors of any kind are permitted.

7.3 All craft are used entirely at the participant's own risk.

7.4 Participants are encouraged to wear approved flotation devices at all times while on the water.

7.5 Organisers and marshals may prohibit the use of any craft deemed unsafe.

8. CATCH AND RELEASE POLICY

8.1 This is a STRICT CATCH AND RELEASE competition.

8.2 Participants must handle fish responsibly and minimise stress or injury to fish.

8.3 Any dead fish presented for measurement WILL NOT COUNT toward the competition.

8.4 Fish must be kept alive and presented immediately to the official measuring station allocated to the relevant dam.

9. FISH MEASURING AND SCORING

9.1 Only fish measured on an official Cast and Catch measuring mat by an authorised marshal or measuring official will count.

9.2 The official measuring process is as follows:

- The fish will be measured on the official mat;
- A photograph will be taken showing:
 - The fish on the mat;
 - The participant wristband;
 - The participant number marked on the hand/wristband.

9.3 The information and photograph will be sent via official WhatsApp scoring groups to the central scoring station at the club.

9.4 This process forms part of the official live scoring and authenticity verification system.

9.5 Any attempt to manipulate, falsify or interfere with scoring procedures may result in immediate disqualification.

10. TAGGED BASS

10.1 If a tagged bass is caught:

- The fish must immediately be reported to the marshal at the relevant dam;
- The fish must be recorded according to organiser instructions before release.

11. SPORTSMANSHIP

11.1 Good sportsmanship is expected at all times.

11.2 Unsportsmanlike conduct including:

- Cheating;
 - Dishonesty;
 - Aggressive behaviour;
 - Abuse of officials or other anglers;
 - Intoxication;
 - Dangerous conduct;
- may result in immediate disqualification and removal from the event.
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12. FOOD, BEVERAGES AND ALCOHOL

12.1 All food and beverages consumed at the club premises must be purchased through the club facilities.

12.2 Participants may take cool boxes and refreshments to fishing dams for personal use.

12.3 No participant may operate a vehicle or watercraft while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

13. LIVE SCORING AND MEDIA

13.1 The organisers reserve the right to:

- Photograph participants;
- Record video footage;
- Publish live scoring updates;
- Use competition media for promotional purposes.

13.2 By entering, participants consent to the use of their images and competition content by the organisers and sponsors.

14. FINAL DECISION

14.1 The decision of the organisers and tournament officials shall be final in all matters relating to:

- Rules;
- Scoring;
- Eligibility;
- Safety;
- Interpretation of competition procedures.

14.2 No correspondence or disputes will be entered into after final results have been announced.

15. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

By ticking the acknowledgement box during online entry and participating in the event, the participant confirms that they:

- Have read and understood the competition rules;
- Have read and understood the disclaimer and indemnity agreement;
- Agree to abide by all rules and organiser instructions;
- Participate entirely at their own risk.

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FISHING COMPETITION DISCLAIMER, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

EVENT DETAILS

Event: Cast and Catch Fishing Competition

Date: 3 October 2026

Venue: Beaumont Eston Farmers Club and participating private farm dams

Organisers: Cast and Catch, Beaumont Eston Farmers Club and participating landowners/farmers

IMPORTANT NOTICE

By signing this document and/or participating in the fishing competition and related activities, the participant acknowledges that they fully understand and accept the risks associated with the event and voluntarily agree to the terms and conditions contained herein.

Participation is entirely at the participant's own risk.

1. DEFINITIONS

For purposes of this indemnity:

“Organisers” shall include:

- Cast and Catch
- Beaumont Eston Farmers Club
- All participating farmers and landowners
- All sponsors
- Event officials
- Marshals
- Volunteers
- Employees
- Representatives
- Contractors
- Committee members
- Agents and affiliates associated with the event

“Participant” shall include:

- The entrant
- Any passenger
- Spectator
- Family member
- Minor child
- Visitor
- Driver
- Boat occupant
- Guest attending or participating in the event

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISKS

The participant acknowledges and understands that the event involves inherent dangers and risks, including but not limited to:

Water Related Risks

- Drowning
- Capsizing of watercraft
- Falling overboard
- Slipping on wet surfaces
- Submerged objects

- Deep water
- Strong winds
- Sudden weather changes
- Hypothermia
- Injury while launching or retrieving craft

Fishing Related Risks

- Fish hooks penetrating skin, eyes, face or body
- Injuries caused by rods, sinkers, lures, knives or fishing equipment
- Injuries during casting
- Line breakage injuries
- Fish bites or spine injuries
- Injuries while handling fish
- Accidental hooking of another participant

Vehicle and Transport Risks

- Motor vehicle accidents
- Collisions on public or private roads
- Damage caused by poor road conditions
- Driving on gravel, dirt, farm or uneven roads
- Vehicle theft or damage
- Damage caused by animals, livestock or farm equipment
- Injury while travelling between dams
- Rollovers
- Accidents involving trailers or boats

Farm and Environmental Risks

- Uneven terrain
- Slippery banks
- Holes, ditches and erosion
- Falling trees or branches
- Electric fences
- Livestock
- Wildlife
- Snakes, spiders, insects and other animals
- Exposure to pesticides or agricultural chemicals
- Fire hazards
- Barbed wire injuries

Personal Injury Risks

- Death

- Permanent disability
- Paralysis
- Cuts, bruises and fractures
- Burns
- Dehydration
- Heat exhaustion
- Sunstroke
- Allergic reactions
- Heart attack or medical emergencies

Craft and Equipment Risks

- Failure of boats, kick boats, float tubes or small craft
- Failure of sneaker motors or batteries
- Defective personal equipment
- Loss or damage to personal belongings
- Theft of tackle, gear or valuables

3. PARTICIPATION AT OWN RISK

The participant expressly agrees that:

- Participation is entirely voluntary.
- Participation is entirely at their own risk.
- They are physically and medically fit to participate.
- They are competent to operate any vehicle or watercraft used during the event.
- They accept full responsibility for their own safety and conduct.

4. WATERCRAFT AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

The participant agrees that:

- Only approved small craft fitted with sneaker motors may be used.
- No petrol motors are permitted.
- All watercraft are used entirely at the participant's own risk.
- The participant is responsible for ensuring their craft is safe and seaworthy.
- The participant is responsible for wearing appropriate flotation devices where applicable.
- The organisers may prohibit any unsafe craft or conduct.

5. VEHICLE USE AND FARM ACCESS

The participant acknowledges that:

- Access to dams requires travel on private farms and farm roads.
- Roads may be dangerous, uneven, muddy, steep or poorly maintained.
- Entry onto private property is entirely at the participant's own risk.
- The organisers and farmers accept no responsibility for:
 - Vehicle accidents
 - Vehicle damage
 - Theft
 - Injury
 - Mechanical breakdown
 - Towing or recovery costs

Participants further agree to:

- Obey all road rules and farm instructions.
- Drive responsibly and cautiously.
- Respect all farm property and livestock.
- Stay within designated fishing areas.

6. INDEMNITY AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

The participant hereby fully indemnifies, releases and holds harmless:

- Cast and Catch
- Beaumont Eston Farmers Club
- All participating farmers and landowners
- Sponsors
- Organisers
- Officials
- Volunteers
- Employees
- Agents and representatives

from any and all liability, claims, damages, losses, costs, expenses, injuries or death arising directly or indirectly from participation in the event, including but not limited to:

- Personal injury
- Death
- Drowning

- Vehicle accidents
- Property damage
- Theft
- Negligence
- Medical expenses
- Loss of income
- Emotional trauma
- Legal costs
- Third-party claims

whether caused by negligence or otherwise.

7. MEDICAL TREATMENT

The participant:

- Consents to receiving emergency medical treatment if required.
 - Accepts responsibility for all medical and rescue costs incurred.
 - Releases the organisers from liability relating to medical treatment or emergency response delays.
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8. ALCOHOL AND SUBSTANCE USE

The participant agrees:

- Not to participate under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
 - Not to operate any vehicle or watercraft while impaired.
 - That the organisers reserve the right to remove any participant deemed unsafe.
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9. DAMAGE TO PROPERTY

The participant agrees to:

- Be personally liable for any damage caused to farm property, club property or another person's property.
 - Respect all environmental and conservation rules.
 - Not litter or pollute dams or farms.
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10. MINORS

Participants under the age of 18:

- Must have this document signed by a parent or legal guardian.
 - Participate entirely at the parent/guardian's risk.
 - The parent/guardian indemnifies all organisers against any claims involving the minor.
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11. RIGHT OF ADMISSION RESERVED

The organisers reserve the right to:

- Refuse entry
- Remove participants
- Cancel or amend the event
- Close dams due to safety concerns or weather conditions

without compensation.

12. PHOTOGRAPHY AND MEDIA CONSENT

The participant grants permission for:

- Photographs
- Videos
- Social media content
- Promotional material

to be used by the organisers without compensation.

13. GOVERNING LAW

This agreement shall be governed by the laws of the Republic of South Africa.

14. DECLARATION

I, the undersigned participant, acknowledge that:

- I have read and understood this indemnity and disclaimer.
- I understand the risks involved.
- I voluntarily agree to all terms contained herein.
- I participate entirely at my own risk.
- I indemnify all organisers and landowners accordingly.