

TO QUALIFY FOR STATE CHAMPIONSHIP IMTT 2008 State Championship Tournament Information

New for 2008: The Illinois State Championship Tournament will continue to be an Invitational Tournament, with a reduced entry fee for qualifiers.

To be a qualifier and consequently invited:

- 1. You must have taken 1st place in one of the 10 qualifying tournaments**
Or
- 2. You fished in two (2) of the IMTT tournaments during the regular tournament season. At least one of those tournaments must have been on a lake other than Lake Kinkaid (host lake for the 2008 Championship)**
- 3. Only one (1) of the above-mentioned tournaments can be from an ‘Exploratory Lake’ tournament.**

Individuals that meet the above standards would be considered “qualifiers” or “invitees”. The entry fee for a qualifier in the State Championship Tournament will be \$75.00. The entry fee for a non-qualifier who may fish with a qualifier, will be \$125.00, but, he/she must have fished in at least one other tournament on a lake other than the lake the Championship is to be held. This ‘other lake’ regulation is in place for the qualifier too.

Please note: Exploratory Lakes tournaments will fulfill the ‘other lake’ requirements.

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- 10 points awarded individually for each qualifying tournament fished (up to 6 tournaments)
- 5 points awarded to each team member of first placed team in the qualifying tournaments.
- 3 points awarded to each team member of second placed team in the qualifying tournaments.
- 2 points awarded to each team member of third placed team in the qualifying tournaments.
- 5 points awarded individually to persons catching a 30 inch Muskie, with one point being added for each inch the fish is over 30 inches, measuring up to the next ½ inch.
- IMTT Tournament Trail points must be earned during the qualifying tournaments in the Championship Tournament Flight.
- No Trail points may be earned in the “Exploratory Flight Tournaments” or in the State Championship Tournament.
- The ‘other Lake’ requirement may be met by fishing in a Championship Flight tournament that is not held at Lake Kinkaid or at one of the Exploratory Flight Tournaments.
- Tournament Trail Points may not be earned in Exploratory Flight tournaments.
- Awards will be given for Trail Championship and Runner-up. These are individual awards and *not* team awards.
- Team awards *will* be given for the Illinois Invitational State Championship Tournament.
- Ties will be broken by total inches of fish caught, if still tied, by a flip of the coin.
- An award will be given for the largest Muskie caught during the 2008 IMTT schedule (including Championship and the Exploratory Flight tournaments). Ties will be broken by earliest release, if still tied, by flip of the coin.
- There will be an award for all fishermen under the age of sixteen participating in IMTT events.
- Points may be earned in any six (6) of the ten (10) Championship Flight Tournaments. You can fish all of the tournaments, but can only count points from your highest six(6) tournaments.