



## 2018 Pan American Sportfishing Confederation

### Roosterfish Pan American Tournament

November 16 - 19, 2018

**Entry Fee for United States Citizens is 100% Tax Deductible**

The Pan American Sportfishing Confederation, FECOP (Federacion Costarricense de Pesca), and USA Angling Predator Team invite you to the first ever Pan American Roosterfish Championship for four-person teams. This championship will be held at the 4 Star Crocodile Bay Resort on the tropical fjord Golfo Dulce in Puerto Jimenez, Costa Rica . All Pan American countries are invited to participate. This event will be part the Pan American Sportfishing Confederation and will be an exciting competition for all the anglers from the Americas.

We invite you to join us and represent your country at this tournament. We also encourage all nations to invite our fellow Pan American nations to this event. There are currently 41 nations participating in the Pan American Games, and we wish to invite them all.

Please review the attached application, competition rules, and event agenda. Our team of volunteers are dedicated to making the event as enjoyable and exciting as possible.

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See resort information here:

[www.crocodilebay.com](http://www.crocodilebay.com)

[800 733 1115](tel:8007331115)





**Pan American Sportfishing Confederation  
2018 Pan American Championships  
– Roosterfish Tournament –  
Puerto Jimenez, Costa Rica Central America  
Crocodile Bay Resort  
November 16 - 19, 2018**

**TEAM APPLICATION**

**Country/Team** \_\_\_\_\_

**Main Contact Person** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email** \_\_\_\_\_

Number of attendee's \_\_\_\_\_ x \$1500 **USD Fee for using an event provided boat**  
= Attendee total \$ \_\_\_\_\_ USD + \$20 USD per Wire Transfer = Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_ USD

All banking and transfer fees are the responsibility of the paying attendees.

Wire information will be sent once application is received.

Email the Organizer for Bank Wire Transfer Details document and wire Instructions.  
Ben Blegen [BenBlegen@USAPredatorTeam.org](mailto:BenBlegen@USAPredatorTeam.org) in USA for English speaking countries or  
Henry Marin [info@fecop.org](mailto:info@fecop.org) por Espanol or  
By Credit Card Directly through Crocodile Bay Resort 800 733 1115

Registration Fee due at time of Application submission, by electronic money transfer.  
**Team Registration closes October 21, 2018.**

If you have any problems with payment methods, please contact .

**Send application via email** [BenBlegen@USAPredatorTeam.org](mailto:BenBlegen@USAPredatorTeam.org) copy to [Todd@fecop.org](mailto:Todd@fecop.org)

**Single anglers will be assigned with other single anglers to make full team**



Angler 1		Angler 2	
First Name		First Name	
Last Name		Last Name	
<b>Mobile Phone</b>		<b>Mobile Phone</b>	
Email		Email	
Passport #		Passport #	
Angler 3		Angler 4	
First Name		First Name	
Last Name		Last Name	
<b>Mobile Phone</b>		<b>Mobile Phone</b>	
Email		Email	
Passport #		Passport #	

**Registration fee for a four-angler team includes:** *Based on quad occupancy*

**Lodging** Crocodile Bay Resort... all meals included

**Competition Water**

Golfo Dulce and surrounding waters

**Practice Water**

Golfo Dulce and surrounding waters

**Registration**

All teams and attendees will be required to register at Crocodile Bay Resort and Resort, sign waivers, and take team pictures. Please wear team jersey for team and group pictures.

**Host Hotel Lodging**

Championship headquarters will be Crocodile Bay Resort

**Opening Ceremony**

Country Flag ceremony will be at Crocodile Bay Conference Center where teams will enjoy the opening ceremony, festivities, and opening dinner.

**Closing Ceremony**

Staging, medals and flags at Crocodile Bay and awards banquet at Crocodile Bay Restaurant.



#### General Rules:

- Costa Rica fishing license supplied to all visiting anglers. Copy of Passport ID needed in advance
- All fishing done by rod and reel. Only one rod in use per angler at a time. Anglers can use own tackle or tackle supplied by Crocodile Bay Boats for those fishing on those boats.
- Casting, trolling with artificial lures as well as live bait and dead bait are allowed.
- All fishing done respecting Costa Rica fishing laws including no fishing in protected areas and no treble hooks allowed inside the Golfo Dulce. Circle hooks must be used while using live or dead bait.
- Line limited to 30 lb test maximum.
- Healthy fish will be tagged and released, and all fish must be measured and released as soon as possible.
- Winners determined by team with most overall length of total roosterfish catch as well as anglers with three largest fish. Must have photo of fish measurement to show to judges if required. Captains will be stewards of all measurements.
- Fishing area. Anywhere in Golfo Dulce and 25 miles in either direction of Matapalo Rock. Protected areas including National Park excluded.
- Points given by fish measurement. (Tip of Nose to Fork of tail) One point per inch. 5 best fish per angler or 10 best fish for team per day.
- Other inshore species like snapper, trevally, or jacks will be given 20 points per fish and can be used for teams that do not capture 10 roosterfish in one day
- All ties broken by time off catch.







## AGENDA

### Roosterfish Tournament

#### Thursday November 15

Arrive to Costa Rica and transferred to hotel in San Jose (double occupancy)

Suggested airport for arrival – San Juan Santatamaria International Airport (SJO) in San Jose Costa Rica. One-night lodging in San Jose and round trip air to Crocodile Bay is included for visitors from other countries individual in package price. If you wish to drive it is 370 kilometers (229 miles or approximately 6 hours) to Puerto Jimenez. Local phone at Crocodile Bay Resort is

2735-5631

#### Friday November 16

5:00am – 12:00pm transferred to airport for transportation to Crocodile Bay

7:00am – 4:00pm Arrival and registration

5:00pm – 6:30pm Captains meeting and boat drawing

6:30 – 8:30 Opening Ceremony and Dinner

#### Saturday November 17

5:30am Breakfast at hotel

6:15am Anglers meet boats at pier

6:30am Boats depart from Pier Day 1 fishing

3:30pm Deadline for arrival at pier after fishing

4:00pm – 5:30 snacks at bar

6:30pm Dinner at hotel and boat drawing for day two

#### Sunday November 18

5:30am Breakfast at hotel

6:15am Anglers meet boats at pier

6:30am Boats depart from

Pier Day 1 fishing

3:30pm Deadline for arrival at pier after fishing

4:00pm – 5:30 snacks at bar

6:30pm Dinner and awards at hotel



ORGANIZE & INVITE YOU

**1st Pan American  
Roosterfish Tournament**  
November 16-19, 2018

Canada • United States • Mexico • Central & South America



GOLFO DULCE,  
COSTA RICA

ANGLING & SPONSOR OPPORTUNITIES  
STILL AVAILABLE

More information at [info@fecop.org](mailto:info@fecop.org)





**Monday November 19**

5:30 – 8:30 Breakfast at hotel

Departure times depend on mode of transportation and may start as early as 6:30am

**What is included.** Transfer from airport (SJO) to hotel in San Jose for International visitors. Transfer from hotel in San Jose to domestic flight to Puerto Jimenez. Transfer by domestic airline to Crocodile Bay. Three days lodging and all meals at Crocodile Bay. Two full days of tournament fishing with boat and area guide, bait tackle and fishing license. Return flight to San Jose and transfer to International airport for departure.

**Not included:** Meals in San Jose, Alcoholic beverages (except complimentary wine at Crocodile Bay at dinner) and tips for hotel and fishing staff.

An official receipt will be sent once application and entry fees are received.

Contact me if you require an invitation letter for travel visas or with any questions.

We look forward to providing a championship experience of a lifetime.

Ben Blegen  
USA Predator Team





## Participation Form and Release

I, and my heirs, in consideration of my participation in PanAmerican Roosterfish Tournament, on November 15 -19, 2018 at All event venues (on water and off) hereby release United State Angling Confederation. the Event Committee, it's managers, employees and agents, Crocodile Bay Resort and any other people or entities officially connected with this event, from any and all liability for damage to or loss of personal property, sickness or injury from whatever source, legal entanglements, imprisonment, death, or loss of money, which might occur while participating in this event. Specifically, I release said persons from any liability or responsibility for my physical condition, for the condition or selection of event venues and for the presence or actions of any other participants. I am aware of the risks of participation, which include, but are not limited to, the possibility of drowning, fishing injuries or wading or boating related injuries. I hereby state that I am in sufficient physical condition to accept a rigorous level of physical activity. I understand that participation in this program is strictly voluntary and I freely choose to participate. I understand that The America Cup, Inc. does not provide medical coverage for me. I verify that I will be responsible for any medical costs I incur as a result of my participation.

I hereby give USAC and FECOP. permission to take photographs or video of me or photographs in which I may be involved with others for the purpose of promoting USAC, FECOP and its Sponsors. I hereby release and discharge USAC-FECOP and any all of the Event Sponsors from any and all claims arising out of use of the photos. I am above the age of 18. I have read the foregoing document and fully understand its contents. If under 18 a parent or guardian must sign.

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(Team Name)

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(Participant PRINT NAME)

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(Participant SIGNATURE)

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(Date)

Completed form may be emailed Ben at [BenBlegen@USAPredatorTeam.org](mailto:BenBlegen@USAPredatorTeam.org) copied to [todd@fecop.org](mailto:todd@fecop.org) with the team application or with roster changes.

No credentials will be issued until this form is completed and turned in to the organizing committee.

Thank you,  
Organizing Committee