

East Coast Bream Series 2026 Rules

This year there are changes to current rules.

1. All of our events are lure and fly only. Cast and retrieve.
2. no more than one rod per angler to be used at any one time.
3. We will be limiting entries to 70 teams per round.
4. We are reducing bag limits to 3 bream (minimum length 26cm to tip)
5. The winner will be the highest weight of 3 bream.
6. Top 30 teams based on point scoring after 5 rounds will qualify for Grand Final
7. The point scoring system is 200 for first, 199 for second, 198 for third and so on. If you do not get any legal fish to weigh you will score 100 points.
8. You must nominate a maximum of three anglers in your team prior to fishing your first event. You cannot change or add anglers to your team after you have completed the registration form. Two nominated anglers can fish any of the events. You can fish any event solo should two of your team members be unable to attend.
9. If you fish an angler that is not registered on your team you will be disqualified and receive 0 points. Teams are to produce either Fishing Licence or Pension Card at registration for each angler.
10. You must adhere to start and finish times stated for each round (usually 7:00 am – 2:00 pm).
11. Failure to be back on time with key tag on board will result in disqualification and 0 points
12. If you lose your key tag your catch will not be weighed but you will receive 100 points for the round.
13. Our event is catch and release and as such anyone caught not releasing their fish back into the water will be disqualified and score 0 points. If you require photos of your do so before weighing. All fish are released at the weigh area.
14. Any fish that does not swim away will not be counted in weight.
15. If you have more than 3 bream in your live well you will be disqualified and score 0 points.
16. Registration to all rounds will be open to all, but any team that has fished in the ECBS in the past will have the opportunity to register and pay two weeks prior to each round before we accept entries that are fishing our series for the first time.
17. All teams that fish round one will be able to register and pay for the second round, but must register and pay 2 weeks prior to the event.
18. Entry fee for each round is \$160 per team. \$200 per team for the Grand Final.
19. We will not accept any registration or payment on the day of the tournament.
20. Refunds will only be approved 7 days prior to the event. This will allow time to invite a team that has missed out to attend.
21. Prize money for each round will be \$100 for every team that fished the event. (Example 70 teams = \$7000 prize pool). Grand Final prize pool is \$6000 plus whatever our club puts back in from the rounds.
22. If a team is caught fishing in no go zones you will be disqualified and score 0 points for the round. Should a team wish to register a complaint they must take a photo and report it to the committee prior to presentation. Otherwise, no action will be taken.
23. All boats must be registered and all safety equipment must meet waterways standards. Failure to do so will result in disqualification and 0 points for the round.
24. All Waterways rules must be obeyed.
25. We are not liable for any injury or damage caused during our events.

