

The logo for the Okuma Open Tournament is set against a light blue rectangular background. The word "okuma" is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font at the top. Below it, the word "OPEN" is written in a large, bold, yellow font with a black outline. At the bottom, the word "tournament" is written in a black, cursive script font.

# okuma OPEN tournament

Dear Team Captain

## Welcome to the 2024 OKUMA Open Tournament

We invite you to enter this tournament. Enclosed is all the information you will need to enter all the anglers fishing on your boat for the tournament and all other relevant information that we need to make this a successful tournament. Please fill all the necessary sheets out and return them to us as soon as possible by emailing to [office@mbgfc.co.nz](mailto:office@mbgfc.co.nz) or [mbgfc@xtra.co.nz](mailto:mbgfc@xtra.co.nz)

### **PLEASE READ ALL THE ENCLOSED INFORMATION CAREFULLY**

#### **VENUE**

The venue for the OKUMA Open Tournament briefing and prizegiving is in the Blue Lagoon. Briefing starts at 1930 on Friday 16 February.

#### **ENTRIES**

Entries prior to **15 January**, will go into the (one) draw for 4 (four) OKUMA Rod Overhead Game Sensortip 24kg Black Rod and a OKUMA Makaira 50W 2 Speed Gold Game Reel Combo's.

Please enter the tournament BEFORE FRIDAY 16 FEB if at all possible to keep that day free for registration.

#### **ENTRY FEE**

The entry fee is **\$180** per angler.

#### **REGISTRATION**

Registration will be in the Clubrooms on Friday 16 February 2024 from 1100. Please try and register early to avoid a long queue and pressure on staff.

All anglers fishing must be members of the Mercury Bay Game Fishing Club or members of a Club affiliated to the NZSFC or IGFA. We **MUST SIGHT** your current membership card either before or at registration. If you are unsure whether your Club is affiliated please phone the office.

***If you or any angler in your team is a member of another Club you must send a copy of such membership/s when returning your team entry forms. Failure to supply this will invalidate your entry.***

Day membership of the Mercury Bay Game Fishing Club is available at \$15 per day per person.

### **FOR MBGFC MEMBERS ONLY**

All full MBGFC members entering the Mercury Bay Open will gain entry into the 2024 Nationals at no extra charge providing they are fishing for Mercury Bay. You must fill in the Nationals Entry Form which is sent to the NZSFC. **YOUR ENTRY TO THE MERCURY BAY OPEN IS NOT ACCEPTED IF THE NATIONALS ENTRY FORM IS NOT COMPLETED.**

The only exception to this rule is in the case of solo entries who are not permitted in the Nationals. It is optional for day members to fish the Nationals but if they do so they must pay day membership for all 8 days or pay a full MBGFC membership.

In line with Nationals rules, non MBGFC members in your team may fish for Mercury Bay but they must pay the \$25 entry fee. If two or more such anglers from the same NZSFC club are in your team they may fish the Nationals for that club on your boat.

NB: Their catch will be removed from the MBGFC catch list after the tournament.

### **ADDITIONAL ANGLERS**

Please note that additional anglers will be accepted after registration or during the Tournament. Each new angler will pay the full entry fee.

### **OKUMA OPEN TOURNAMENT DISCLOSURE**

Please read the enclosed disclosure policy and complete and return with your registration form.

**Failure to fill in this form completely will invalidate your entry.**

### **LIGHT TACKLE SECTION**

The Club's Light Tackle Tournament has been incorporated as a Light Tackle Section of the Open Tournament. No additional entry form or fee is required. All fish caught on tackle up to 10kg will qualify.

### **RULES**

The Tournament Rules are on the Club Website – [www.gamebase.co.nz](http://www.gamebase.co.nz)

***GOOD LUCK & GOOD FISHING***



# MERCURY BAY GAME FISHING CLUB INC

## OKUMA OPEN TOURNAMENT 17 - 24 FEBRUARY 2024 *ENTRY FORM*

BOAT NAME..... BOAT SKIPPER .....

TEAM CAPTAIN (*Entry Owner*) ..... MOBILE: .....

EMAIL ADDRESS (*Please write clearly*).....

ANGLERS NAME: CLUB NAME & MEMBERSHIP NO  
If a member of another Club please supply/send copy of current membership

1.....

2.....

3.....

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**IF NOT A MEMBER OF AN AFFILIATED CLUB THEN DAY MEMBERSHIP OF MBGFC IS REQUIRED**

**PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR ENTRY WILL BE INVALID IF ANGLERS ARE MEMBERS OF ANOTHER CLUB AND YOU FAIL TO PRODUCE VERIFICATION WITH THIS ENTRY**

TEAM CAPTAINS DECLARATION  
The team agrees to fish by the tournament rules

Signed .....

## PAYMENT CHECK LIST

<b>\$180 X ..... anglers</b>	
<b>MEMBERSHIPS (NEW MEMBERS) - \$80 plus \$40 Nomination Fee = \$120 x ..... anglers</b>	
<b>DAY MEMBERSHIPS \$15 per day x ..... Days = ..... x ..... anglers</b>	
<b>NATIONALS ENTRY (for non MBGFC members only) \$25 x ..... anglers</b>	
<b>TOTAL PAYMENT</b>	

DO YOU REQUIRE A GST TAX INVOICE                      YES / NO

PAYMENT TO: Mercury Bay Game Fishing Club (Inc) Account Number: 03 1578 0038675 00

Please state your **BOAT NAME** in the **REFERENCE**



## ENTRY FORM 2024 NATIONALS

All angler details must be filled out and angler class must be circled.

ENTRY FEE \$25 per angler

(If fishing in the Open tournament and a member of MBGFC, the club will pay your entry)

Otherwise entry fee is payable upon this entry form

**CLUB:**

**TEAM NAME:** (please use boat name)

**1<sup>ST</sup> ANGLER – THE PERSON WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE TEAM**

FIRST & LAST NAME

EMAIL ADDRESS

PHONE NUMBER

PLEASE CIRCLE CLASS

SENIOR MALE

SENIOR FEMALE

**TEAM MEMBERS**

You must have each angler first name & surname and class SENIOR MALE, SENIOR FEMALE, JUNIOR MALE OR JUNIOR FEMALE

ANGLERS	FIRST NAME, LAST NAME	CLASS	Club M/ship #
2			
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I have read, understood, and agree to abide by the Rules of this Tournament.

Signed by the person responsible for the team, on behalf of his/her team.

Anglers listed are financial members of an affiliated club and have paid their contest fees.

Anglers have read and understood the Health and Safety Procedures for the competition.

SIGNATURE of Angler 1 \_\_\_\_\_



### OKUMA OPEN TOURNAMENT DISCLOSURE

I have entered into the above fishing competition. I understand and accept that it involves a certain degree of risk to be associated with fishing either land based, from personal watercraft or from any sized vessel. Hazards that I could encounter whilst involved in this activity may include and is not limited to weather conditions, sea conditions, underwater obstructions, channel markers, other vessels, navigating, anchoring, traveling during darkness, mooring, and all other matters related to the sport of fishing and boating in general.

1. All skippers must sign a copy of this document prior to commencing the tournament.
2. Where possible it is recommended that all skippers should attend a tournament briefing.
3. It shall be the responsibility of the Skipper to advise his/her other team members of the information given at the briefing.
4. It shall be the responsibility of the Skipper to advise the correct authority of their intended fishing area and estimated time of return. – Coastguard Channel 63
5. In the event of an emergency on the water, participants are to notify their nearest Coastguard or radio operator.
6. All participants agree and accept:-
  - To enter this Tournament at their own risk;
  - That boating and fishing involves a risk;
  - Not to hold Tournament organizers, Officials, Sponsors or any other person involved with the Tournament liable for any loss or injury to person or equipment incurred during the Tournament;
  - Notwithstanding any representations made, it shall be the responsibility of all participants to ensure that the provisions of all statutes, ordinances, regulations and by-laws related to (but not limited) to boating and fishing are complied with;
7. All participants agree to have read and understood the Tournament Rules.

#### SKIPPER RESPONSIBILITY

It is the skippers responsibility to decide whether or not to put to sea on any one day, taking into consideration the prevailing conditions, the seaworthiness of their vessel, the status of safety equipment on board, and the crews seamanship skills.

- I have the necessary skill, knowledge and qualifications to safeguard all on board.
- My vessel & all equipment are properly maintained.
- My vessel carries all the necessary safety equipment.
- We have a minimum of two means of communication; i.e. VHF marine radio, cellphone, flares etc.
- Each passenger has a correctly fitting buoyancy aid.
- My passengers are briefed on the location and use of all safety equipment.
- My vessel is loaded within its limit and all equipment is securely stowed.

I agree that neither the Mercury Bay Game Fishing Club (Inc) nor any parties associated with the event shall have any responsibility, financial or otherwise, for any risk incident that may arise, whether or not by negligence, from any direct or indirect loss, injury or death that might be sustained by me or my crew, from my intended or actual participation in the event or related activities.

I have made my crew aware of these conditions and have authority to sign on their behalf.

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_ NAME (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

SKIPPER/BOAT OWNER

Boat Information: Name:

Length:

Colour: Deck/Roof:

VHF Call Sign:

Colour: Hull above waterline and sides: