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Public Notice: Pre-Registration Required for 2026 Mineral Lake Fishing Derby Participants Launching Boats

Mineral, WA — April 7, 2026 — Organizers of the **33rd Annual Mineral Lake Fishing Derby** are issuing an important public notice regarding regulatory requirements for all participants in the upcoming event, taking place **April 25–26, 2026**.

In accordance with **Washington State Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Decontamination regulations (WAC 220-220-220 7a-b)**, **pre-registration is required for any participant launching a boat into Mineral Lake** with the intention of entering their catch in the derby.

All participants—whether fishing by boat, dock, or shoreline—must **purchase a derby ticket before their fishing line enters the water** in order to qualify for prize entry. Participants fishing from docks or shorelines are exempt from AIS pre-registration requirements but must still purchase a ticket prior to fishing.

Event Details

- **Derby Start:** Saturday, April 25, 2026 at 12:01 AM
- **Catch Entry Deadline:** Sunday, April 26, 2026 at 11:00 AM
- **Ticket Cost:** \$10.00 per participant
- **Ticket Sale Cutoff:** Sunday, April 26, 2026 at 10:00 AM
- **Requirement:** Tickets must be purchased before lines are in the water
- **Pre-Registration:** AIS Decontamination Statement and/or Report required prior to boat launch

Pre-Registration & Ticket Sales Locations

Lions/Legion Community Building

108 E Front St., Mineral, WA

- Friday, April 24 | 12:00 PM – 12:00 AM
- Saturday, April 25 | 5:00 AM – 8:00 AM

Mineral Lake Lions Den Campground

113 E Front St., Mineral, WA

- Saturday, April 25 | 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Sunday, April 26 | 7:00 AM – 10:00 AM

Important: There will be **NO ticket sales at the State Boat Launch. CASH ONLY!**

AIS Decontamination Compliance Requirement

To prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species, all participants launching boats or trailers must complete:

1. **AIS Decontamination Statement** confirming whether the watercraft has been in waters outside Washington State within the past 30 days
2. **AIS Decontamination Report** (if applicable) confirming proper decontamination procedures

Forms will be available at registration.

Reminder for All Participants

Due to **limited cellular service in Mineral**, attendees are strongly encouraged to **bring cash** for derby tickets, raffles, vendor market items, and food and beverage purchases.

For questions or media inquiries, please contact the Mineral Lake Fishing Derby Committee at info@minerallakefishingderby.com.

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