**Twin Rivers Tag Competition 2022**

**1.** The Twin Rivers Tag competition (Competition) is being conducted by the Victorian Fisheries Authority (**VFA**) ABN 60 297 360 647.

**2.** Entry is open to Australian Residents aged 18 and over and entrants aged under 18 who have the permission of their parent or guardian to participate (**Eligible Entrants**).

**3.** Employees and contractors of VFA (including their immediate families) are ineligible to enter.

**4.** Committee members of the Twin Rivers organising committee (including their immediate families) are ineligible to enter.

**5.** The Promotion will operate for 48 Hours commences on 00:00 16 July 2022 and closes on 23:59, 17 July 2022 (Competition weekend).

**6.** VFA will be tagging and releasing black bream with yellow ribbon tags in the Gippsland Lakes, each tag will have a unique identifying number.

**7.** To win, Eligible Entrants must catch a fish with one of the yellow ribbon tags within the Gippsland Lakes and claim a prize (following the process in paragraphs 13 - 15 below) during the Competition Weekend.

**8.** To be eligible the entrant must be registered with the Twin Rivers Competition

**9.** Fish caught in the Promotion may be kept or released.  The Yellow Ribbon Tag must be removed and retained to be eligible to claim the prize by carefully cutting the tag and off close to the fish’s skin.

**10.** Prizes will only be awarded for fish caught using legal recreational fishing equipment and in compliance with current Victorian fishing regulations.

**11.**Only one prize will be awarded for each individual Golden Tag.

**Prizes**

**12.**Any Eligible Entrants who catch one of the Yellow Ribbon Tags over the Competition Weekend and submit a valid prize claim will be awarded $5,000.

**Claiming a Prize**

**13.** To claim a prize an Eligible Entrant must:

* **a.** at the time the fish is caught:
  + **i.** record the location and date that the fish was caught;
  + **ii.** measure the length of the fish;
  + **iii.** photograph the fish with the tag still in place; and
  + **iv.** remove the Golden Tag by cutting it off with a sharp knife or scissors and retain the Golden Tag.
* **b.** present the tag and photos to either a Twin rivers weigh in station or a representative of the Victorian Fisheries Authority.

**14.** Eligible Entrants will be provided with a Prize Claim Declaration Form for each prize claimed.

**15.**The Prize Claim Declaration Form will require Eligible Entrants to confirm the date and location of the catch, Golden Tag identifying number and their compliance with these Terms and Conditions.

**Prize Verification**

**16.** Before awarding a prize VFA will verify the validity of entries and eligibility of entrants.  VFA may refuse to award a prize to any individual who VFA reasonably believes has breached any of these terms or engaged in any unlawful or other improper conduct in participating in the Promotion.

**17.** Prize winners will be notified via email within 14 days of VFA receiving and verifying a Prize Claim Declaration Form.

**18.** Winners will have their details published on the [VFA website](https://vfa.vic.gov.au/recreational-fishing/bushfire-fish-response-plan/golden-tag-promotion).

**19.** Prize monies will be paid to winners by electronic funds transfer within 28 days of VFA notifying the winner that the Prize Claim Declaration Form has been verified.

**Use of Entrant Information**

**20.** VFA will collect and use entrants’ personal information in conducting the Promotion in accordance with its [Privacy Policy](https://vfa.vic.gov.au/privacy-policy).

**21.**VFA may also use Eligible Entrants’ personal information for reasonable promotional, marketing, publicity and research purposes, including sending electronic messages to, or telephoning, any entrant.