



# 2020 DERBY CHANGES



The 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Derby is scheduled to begin September 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:01 AM. Due to the unique circumstances we face this year, the Committee has made some modifications to the 2020 Derby in consultation with Island officials.

Additionally, the Committee asks that all anglers familiarize themselves with relevant state and local orders regarding Covid-19. Please review [General MA State guidelines](#) and, specifically, the [MA State Travel Order](#).

Please note the following 2020 Derby changes:

- **Striped Bass:** Suspended from the 2020 Derby and not eligible for any awards. The Grand Slam will become the "Triple Crown" - Bluefish, Bonito, and False Albacore. The Hawkeye Memorial Special Award will be based on 1<sup>st</sup> team Triple Crown. The Abe Williams Memorial Special Award will be based on 1<sup>st</sup> individual Triple Crown.
- **Grand Prize:** There will be a single Grand Prize for 2020 – a Cape Codder Boat package with Tohatsu motor and trailer. At the end of the Derby, the 6 Grand Leaders (3 heaviest fish in each category, boat and shore) will be eligible for the Grand Prize drawing.
- **Mystery Prizes:** Eliminated from the 2020 Derby.
- **Top Rod Awards:** Eliminated from the 2020 Derby.
- **Super Saturday Events:** Eliminated from the 2020 Derby.
- **Daily and Weekly Prize Pickup:** Awards will be available for pick up at HQ.
- **Registration Process:** All Tackle and Fly Rod registration fees have been reduced to \$50 (regular) and \$25 (senior). To reduce time in the Registration Points, online pre-registration and payment will be open throughout the Derby and is encouraged: [www.mvderby.com/register](http://www.mvderby.com/register).  
NOTE: The Derby registration process is not complete until an angler picks up their rules brochure and button at a Registration Point. Any fish caught before an angler completes the registration process are ineligible. If the Derby ends prior to its scheduled end date, standings become final at that point.
- **Derby Headquarters:** The Weigh Master table and scale will be positioned at the front of Derby HQ – inside the barn door. We ask adults anglers to follow the direction of Committee members, to come alone to weigh –in (parents may bring Juniors), and to not gather. Only masked Committee, staff and volunteers will be allowed inside HQ. There will be no coffee service or Derby merchandise for-sale. 75<sup>th</sup> merchandise will be available online ([www.mvderby.com/store](http://www.mvderby.com/store)) and a selection, including the 75<sup>th</sup> Commemorative Print, will be available at The Boneyard Surf Shop - 47 Main St. in Edgartown. Registration will not occur at

HQ and the results boards will not be installed. Participants can access real-time results and standings on-line at [www.mvderby.com/results](http://www.mvderby.com/results).

- **Weighing Of Fish:** Anglers presenting fish for weigh-in will proceed up the ramp, present their catch to the Weigh Master, complete the weigh-in process, and proceed down the (new) stairs towards the harbor. Only one angler at a time will be allowed on the ramp. Consistent with current Edgartown regulations, all anglers presenting fish to be weighed, or waiting their turn, are required to wear masks. Social distancing for weigh-in anglers will be observed. Committee Interviews will be conducted for Grand Leader changes only (all anglers agree to abide by all rules when they sign-up).
- **The Annual Kids Day:** This event will not be held this year.
- **The Awards Ceremony:** This gathering will not be held this year. Details are pending regarding safe prize distribution and the Key Ceremony. Watch for online auction details.

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*Please read all Derby Rules in the Rules Brochure and watch the Derby website and social media accounts for updates. The Committee appreciates your cooperation and help, as we all work together to ensure a safe and enjoyable 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Derby!*

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