



## 2010 Catch and Release Catfish Contest Rules

Contest starts 6:00pm Friday July 30<sup>th</sup> and ends Sunday August 1<sup>st</sup> at noon.

All fish must be registered by Noon on Sunday August 1<sup>st</sup>

This is a Catch and Release contest, the winner will be determined by the largest single fish total of length in inches + girth in inches = total score. We hope this contest format will lead to the successful release of all catfish caught and ensure good catfishing in the future. Contestants may enter as many catfish as they wish. Ties will be decided by the largest second fish entered. Measuring tools will be provided by Twin Rivers, the contestants need to provide a camera.

Three photos will be required to verify the size of the fish, one of the angler holding the fish, one of the fish laying next to the provided ruler, and one of the girth measurement. Photos need to be clear enough to be able to read the ruler. All fish need to be lively and show no signs of being caught and held prior to the start of contest. Twin Rivers reserves the right to reject any suspicious or misleading photos. Actual printed photos need to be turned in to Twin Rivers, not just showing the picture off of a camera or phone.

After the pictures and measurements are taken, the fish should be returned to the water, please **DO NOT** bring the fish in to be weighed, doing so will disqualify that fish from the contest. Using this formula will give you a very accurate estimate of the weight;  $\text{length} \times \text{length} \times \text{girth} / 1275 = \text{weight in pounds}$ .

Length measurements will be taken with the fish laying flat, mouth closed, from the bottom lip to the pinched tail. Measurements may be rounded to the closest half inch. Girth will be measured around the largest diameter of the fish using a provided tape measure. .

You may fish anywhere on the Minnesota river for this contest

