



Billfish TOURNAMENTS

2020 OBSERVER INFORMATION GUIDE

Certified Observers are a key and valuable part of the Tournaments. To qualify you need to be certified by the IGFTO, IGFA or by the Los Sueños Observer Certification Program (LSOCP) and submit the Observer application form. Observers are selected on their fishing experience and by their physical ability to withstand three consecutive days on the water, as well as be situated in a location on the boat that properly allows them to follow all tournament-related activity.



ONE DAY ONLY | January 14, 2020

MONDAY | January 13th

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Welcome cocktail and hors d'oeuvres followed by the **mandatory** tournament meeting at Al Fresco Beach Club Restaurant.

TUESDAY | January 14th

5 am – 5:45 am Observer assignments are handed out at the Hook Up. Breakfast includes eggs, gallo pinto (rice and beans) or potatoes, pastries, fresh fruit, coffee, and juice provided for Observers. Observers must be on boats by 5:45 am at the latest.

6 am Boats may leave the Marina and Herradura Bay at 6:00 am as soon as the assigned Observer is on board.

8 am – 4 pm Lines In at 8:00 am – Lines Out at 4:00 pm. Lunch is provided by the boat.

7 pm or sooner
Lawn Signed Scorecards must be in to Tournament Committee at the Tournament Lawn

WEDNESDAY | January 15th

4 pm – 7 pm Ladies Only Tournament Observers are invited to attend the awards presentation to be held on the Tournament Lawn next to the Hook Up. Dockside cocktail and heavy hors d'oeuvres are served. The Awards are followed by the mandatory tournament meeting for the first leg of the 2020 Signature Triple Crown.



LEG I: January 15-18 • LEG II: February 26-29 • LEG III: March 25-28

WEDNESDAY | Registration Day

- 4 pm – 5 pm Check-in and registration for Observers with Tina Mueller under the Tournament Tent. Snacks and beverages provided.
- 5 pm **Mandatory** tournament meeting for Captains and Observers.

THURSDAY & FRIDAY | DAYS 1 & 2 Fishing

- 5 am – 5:45 am Observer assignments are handed out at the Hook Up. Breakfast includes eggs, gallo pinto (rice and beans) or potatoes, pastries, fresh fruit, coffee, and juice provided for Observers. Observers must be on boats by 5:45 am at the latest.
- 6 am or sooner Boats may leave the marina and go to the fishing grounds (as soon as Tournament Control confirms all Observers have checked in and Observer is on board the boat).
- 8 am – 4 pm Lines In at 8 am – Lines Out at 4 pm. Lunch is provided by the boat.
- 5 pm – 8 pm Dockside cocktails and dinner buffet on the Tournament Lawn.
- 7 pm or sooner Signed scorecards must be in to Tournament Committee at the Tournament Lawn immediately after boat returns from fishing.

SATURDAY | DAY 3 Fishing & Awards Banquet

- 5 am – 5:45 am Observer assignments are handed out at the Hook Up. Breakfast includes eggs, gallo pinto (rice and beans) or potatoes, pastries, fresh fruit, coffee, and juice provided for Observers. Observers must be on boats by 5:45 am at the latest.
- 6 am or sooner Boats may leave the marina and go to the fishing grounds (as soon as Tournament Control confirms all Observers have checked in and Observer is on board the boat).
- 8 am – 4 pm Lines In – Lines Out. Lunch is provided by the boat.
- 7 pm or sooner Signed Scorecards must be in to Tournament Committee at the Marina Entrance immediately after boat returns from fishing.
- 7:30 pm – 10 pm Awards Banquet with full buffet dinner, open bar, live music, and awards ceremony and fireworks at the Los Sueños Beach Club

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

Observers need to coordinate their own flights, transportation and lodging.

TRANSPORTATION

Rich Coast Connections airport shuttle offers a discounted rate for observers. Refer to **rate code LSOBS2020** for a flat rate of \$100 each way for up to 6 people.

US phone: (607)330-0688

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LODGING

Condo Rentals:

Stay in Costa Rica (SICR), located in our Marina Village, offers up to a **30% discount for observers** on condominium rentals inside Los Sueños. SICR manages the largest collection of condos for rent inside the Resort. It is easy to book your stay; you can reserve online or call using the discount code **Observer** (see example below).

1. Guest Information

2. Payment Information

Address: Address 2: Optional Country:

City: State: Postal Code:

Payment Type: Card Number: No dashes or spaces Exp Month: Exp Year: CVV:

I agree to the [Terms & Conditions](#)

Reservation Info		
Unit: Colina 5D		
Arrival Date:	01/14/2020	
Departure Date:	01/18/2020	
Number of Nights:	4	
Price <input type="button" value="View Breakdown"/>	\$2,200.00	
Taxes & Fees <input type="button" value="View Breakdown"/>	\$286.00	
Total:	\$2,486.00	

Expected Charges		
Date	Description	Charge
09/09/2019	Required Payment 50.00%	\$1,243.00
12/16/2019	Required Payment:	\$1,243.00

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STAY IN COSTA RICA

Toll-free: 866-439-5922 or 866-888-6424

Direct: 011-506-2661-9300

WhatsApp: 001-506-85107427

reservations@stayincostarica.com

www.stayincostarica.com.

Hotel:

There is an onsite Marriott Hotel and many other lodging options in the nearby beach town of Jaco, which is only short drive or taxi ride away.

MEALS

A light breakfast including eggs, gallo pinto (rice and beans) or potatoes, pastries, fresh fruit, juice, and coffee is served at the Hook Up each morning, starting at 5 am. Lunch is provided by the boats. Dinners are provided by the tournament (except Tuesday, January 14th).

OBSERVER COMPENSATION

To assist with some of your travel expenses, Observers will receive \$500 for observing for three consecutive fishing days during each leg of the Signature Triple Crown Series. If, for emergency reasons or at the request of the tournament committee, an observer is not assigned to a boat all three days, the pay for each individual day he/she observes is \$150. Observers that are assigned to a boat in the Ladies Only Tournament receive \$150 in compensation for the day of competition.

We look forward to your participation in the 2020 tournaments!

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