



PGI Fishing Club 2012 Ladder of Angling Achievement Program

Who

- Limited to members of the PGI Fishing Club.

General Rules

- When you join the Club you automatically earn “Angler” status. There are seven levels above “Angler”.
 1. Bronze Class Angler
 2. Silver Class Angler
 3. Gold Class Angler
 4. Lifetime Master Angler Level 1
 5. Lifetime Master Angler Level 2
 6. Lifetime Master Angler Level 3
 7. Grand Master Angler
- All entries must be caught in local waters (within a 50 mile radius of PGI).
- The length of an eligible fish shall be calculated to the closest ½ inch, rounded down to the closest inch or ½ inch. Example - a 30¼ inch fish will be rounded down to 30 inches, a 30¾ inch will be rounded down to 30½ inches.
- The definition of a “legal” fish for the Ladder of Achievement, is one that meets the MINIMUM legal length defined by FWC (Florida Fish and Wildlife Cons. Commission) and is shown in the table below. A fish that meets the “legal” minimum requirements but is caught out of season, still may be photographed and submitted for credit, however the fish must be released. Also, a fish that exceeds the FWC legal maximum, may also be photographed and submitted for credit but must also be released.
- Each angler is responsible for knowing the current FWC requirements when keeping a fish.
- Your Club encourages CPR (catch, photograph, and release).

How to Earn Levels

- Bronze Class Angler - Five (5) different species of any fish on the list. There are no size limits.
- Silver Class Angler - Five (5) different legal size fish, of any species on the list and earn a minimum of 300 points.
- Gold Class Angler - Seven (7) different legal size fish, of any species on the list and earn a minimum of 700 points.
- Lifetime Master Angler Level 1 - Nine (9) different legal size fish, of any species on the list and earn a minimum of 1000 points.
- Lifetime Master Angler Level 2 - Thirteen (13) different legal size fish, of any species on the list and earn a minimum of 1400 points.
- Lifetime Master Angler Level 3 - Eighteen (18) different legal size fish, of any species on the list and earn a total of 1700 points.
- Grand Master Angler - Twenty-three (23) different legal size fish, of any species on the list and earn a total of 2000 points.

Recording/Reporting Fish

- All entries are cumulative, once you enter a legal size fish, it and any points earned will count toward the next award level.
- All entries must be caught in local waters (within a 50 mile radius of PGI).
- A photograph of you with the fish, identified with your name, fish species, length, and date caught, noted on the back of the photo, or in the body of your email, will be your entry form (honor system must prevail).
- The photo is now your entry form for all club fishing events (Master Angler Tournament, Ladder of Achievement Program, Fish of the Month Contest, and Isles Trophy Race).
- Eligibility for each program will be determined by the Club's appointed recorder.
- All entries should be emailed to the Fishing Events Director at PGIFishingClub@pgica.org, dropped off at the PGICA facility for placement in the fishing club's folder, or handed in at one of the monthly club meetings.

ELIGIBLE ANGLER ACHIEVEMENT SPECIES

NAME	LEGAL SIZE	NAME	LEGAL SIZE	NAME	LEGAL SIZE
Amberjack	30" fork	Grouper **	20" & 22"	Sheepshead	12"
Barracuda	all	Grunt	all	Snapper (all)	10"
Black Drum	14"	Jack Crevalle	all	Snook	28"
Bluefish	12" fork	King Mackerel	24" fork	Spanish Mackerel	12" fork
Blue Runner	all	Ladyfish	all	Stingray	all
Bonita	all	Permit	11" fork	Tarpon	all
Catfish (all)	all	Pompano	11" fork	Tripletail	15"
Cobia	33" fork	Redfish	18"	Whiting	all
Croaker	all	Seatrout	15"	Yellowtail Snapper	12"
Flounder	12"	Shark	all		

**The grouper classification is restricted to black and gag at 22" and red grouper at 20"

POINTS EARNED BASED ON LENGTH			
POINTS EARNED	100	200	300
SPECIES	SIZE IN INCHES		
Amberjack	32	40	46
Cobia	38	40	44
Grouper	24	28	32
King Mackerel	32	36	40
Redfish	28	30	36
Seatrout	21	23	25
Shark (any species)	40	50	60
Snook	29	36	42
Spanish Mackerel	21	23	25
Tarpon (any size)		X	

