The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (PFBC) Photography Contest aims to develop an appreciation of Pennsylvania's fishing, boating, and aquatic resources. Image contribution can include anglers, boaters, reptiles, amphibians, and waterway scencis. Winning entries will appear in a feature article in a future issue of Pennsylvania Angler & Boater and on the Commission's website and Facebook page. All entries may be used elsewhere in the magazine, in the PFBC publications, on the Commission's website, on the PFBC's social media pages, and in Commission exhibits and other projects. The contest will run from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

**Prizes**
- **Grand Prize:** Framed Ned Smith “Sting of the Hook” print
- **First Place:** Framed trout stamps
- **Second Place:** Pennsylvania Angler & Boater subscription voucher and hat
- **Third Place:** Prize package
- **Honorable Mention:** Patch set

**Contest rules**
Employees of the PFBC, volunteers, their immediate family members, and contractors of the PFBC and their immediate families are not eligible. No purchase is necessary. All federal, state, local, and municipal laws and regulations apply. Void where prohibited.

- Entries must be original works taken in Pennsylvania on waterways with public access, and photos must have been taken by the person entering the contest.
- Entries must show proper fish handling practices. Photographs should not show fish being held by the gill plates, eyes, in a horizontal position or at a 45-degree angle by the jaw or tail region alone, or being held with gloves (harvested ice fishing photographs are the only exception).
- Entries must show adherence to Pennsylvania fishing and boating laws and regulations.
- Entries showing an angler holding a fish must have a valid license at the time the fish was caught. However, the license does not need to appear in the photo. If the angler does not have a valid license, the entry will be disqualified.
- Entries must show all boaters and anglers in boats wearing properly fitted, buttoned, and zipped life jackets. Boats must have a valid boat registration or launch permit at the time the photo was taken or the entry will be disqualified.
- Entrants are responsible for securing photo releases from identifiable subjects.
- Entrants must submit high-resolution digital photos (300 dpi or higher resolution) with a minimum file size of 2 MB or larger
- Entries that are retouched or electronically manipulated are not allowed.

The PFBC shall have the right to use all submissions for any purpose in the future without compensation. All submissions become the property of the PFBC. The deadline for entries is December 31, 2022. Entries must be e-mailed to sgearhart@pa.gov. The following information must be included in the e-mail.
- Entrant's Name
- Entrant's Address
- Entrant's Phone Number
- Entrant's E-mail
- Photo Description (location, county, species, etc.)
- Date of Photo

Winners will be determined by review from various PFBC staff from several different bureaus. 

**New for 2022**
Additional entry categories are being developed. Watch fishandboat.com for more information.

*All entries may be used to promote fishing and boating in Pennsylvania. An entry of a Muskellunge by James Swearingen, Allegheny County, and a boating entry by Debbie Smith, Beaver County, were used for the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission's exhibits.*