

GREENVILLE MARINE TACKLE SHOP TOURNAMENTS RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. These tournaments are open to anyone **18** years of age or older. **Greenville Marine reserves the right to refuse any Entry.** Contestants under **18** may fish with an adult, as a TEAM. Contestants under **18** years of age, must also have the signature of a Parent or Guardian.
2. Boats and Motors: All boats must be at least 14' in length and have an aerated livewell. All boats must be equipped with all required Coast Guard safety equipment (including a kill switch) and be operated in a safe manner.
3. Safety: Anglers must wear a Coast Guard approved life jacket any time the boat is underway by it's main source of propulsion.
4. Tackle permitted: All bass must be caught in a legal and sporting manner using artificial lures only. A participant may use only one rod and reel at a time.
5. Sportsmanship: All contestants are expected to conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner at all times. The consumption of alcoholic beverages or the use of stimulants, or depressants will not be allowed during tournament hours.
6. Fishing Locations and Conditions: Fishing is permitted anywhere on tournament waters you can reach by boat. The trailering of boats during tournament hours is not permitted. You cannot fish within 50 yards of a competitors boat, anchored or not. Any competitor that allows any other competitor to fish within 50 yards of their boat, has suspended the 50-yard rule and has opened the water to all competitors. If you break down or have an emergency on the water, **ONLY** another competitor can transport you **AND** your fish to the weigh in (your fish must be clearly marked or kept separate).
7. Entry Fees: \$100 per tournament (includes Big Fish Award of \$10 per entry). A deposit of \$50 on each tournament will hold your starting position. There will be a \$10 late fee if you pay at the ramp the morning of the tournament. **ANY MONIES PAID IN ADVANCE WILL BE NON-REFUNDABLE**, but can be transferred. Starting positions will be in the order the applications are received, except for "EARLY DRAW" (1st Flight). **1st Flight balances MUST be paid by end of day Friday, before each Tournament!!!! 1st Flight CANNOT PAY ON SATURDAY!!**
8. "Classic": The "Classic" will be a paying tournament, plus the reserve "Classic Fund" will be paid out. Entry Fee for the "Classic" will be \$100 (includes Big Fish Awards).
To qualify for the "Classic", You must FISH at least 5 of the 7 Tournaments. **TEAMS MUST FISH WITH THE SAME PARTNER AT LEAST 5 TIMES TO QUALIFY AS A TEAM. NO EXEPTIONS.**
9. Limits and Scoring: 5 Bass limit per boat (1 or 2 anglers per boat), all 14" min. length. Places will be determined by total weight of Bass caught. In the case of a tie, the prizes will be combined and split. There will be a 4 ounce penalty(.25 lb.) for each dead fish. If an undersized fish is weighed in, you will lose that fish, and a 1 pound penalty will be deducted. Late Penalty: There will be a 1 pound penalty for every minute you are late for Check In. After 15 minutes, you are disqualified.
10. Tournament Registration: Registration will start **1 1/2 hours** before daybreak the morning of the the tournament. **The Tournament will start at the discretion of the Tournament Director.** Check-in, and Start times will be announced at each tournament.
*******YOU MUST CHECK-IN with a Tournament Official before and after each tournament !!!!**
11. Polygraph: Any competitor will be subject to a polygraph or stress test. Failure of this test will mean disqualification. Polygraph tests **WILL BE GIVEN.**
12. Rules interpretations: The Tournament Director will rule on any situations that may occur. His decisions will be final in all instances. Any violation of the above rules will be cause for suspension and/or disqualification from this and all future tournaments. All protests must be made in writing, to the Tournament Director before the weigh-in concludes.
13. **OFF LIMITS: Tournament waters will be Off-Limits the Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday** before each tournament. **EXCEPT YOU MAY FISH ON A HOLIDAY MONDAY.**