

2011

Washington State Club Fish-off

3rd Annual Club/Team Bass Tournament

Hosted by the Washington Bass Association www.WashingtonBassClub.com

Saturday October 15, 2011 at Lake Sammamish

Tournament Headquarters: Lake Sammamish Boat Launch

Entry Deadline - Postmarked 10/10/2011 - Cash Only on Tournament Day

No Lake Off Limits Period

DRIVERS MEETING: LATE REGISTRATION:

6:30 AM

5:15 AM - 6:15 AM

Blast off at Approximately 7:00 am

Sunrise at 6:58 am

3:00 pm Weigh In

\$250 Entry Fee per Club

\$20 Big Stringer Option Pot per boat

\$10 Big Fish Option Pot per boat

80% Payback

Team Tournament

- Up to 5 Boats per club
- Up to 2 Anglers per Boat (Ideally the top ten in points standings for each club)
- The winning club will be determined by the average 5 fish limit weight for the club. (See Rule #5 below)

For Information Contact:

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2011 Washington Bass Club Fish Off - Entry Form

Club Name: _____

Captain Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email address: _____

Partner Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email address: _____

I/We have read, understood, and agree to abide by all rules and regulations associated with the Washington Club Fish Off Bass Tournament, and hold harmless all sponsors volunteers and tournament officials from any and all claims for injury or damages.

Signed Captain: _____

Date: _____

Signed Partner: _____

Date: _____

(parent must sign if either contestant is under eighteen)

Please make checks payable to The Washington Bass Association
Mail Entry form and check to: 2922 171st place SE Bothell, Wa 98012

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Tournament Rules

1. **SAFETY:** Each contestant must practice safe boating conduct, and is required to have a coast guard approved chest life preserver. This preserver must be worn and buckled any time the combustion engine is operating. Each boat used in tournament competition will be equipped with an operating ignition kill switch, attached to the boats driver. Consumption of alcoholic beverages and/or intoxication on the part of any contestant during tournament hours will not be allowed. Violations of the above listed requirements will be grounds for immediate disqualification.

2. **BASIC BOAT EQUIPMENT:** Every boat must have all required Coast Guard safety equipment. This consists of a properly charged fire extinguisher, horn or sounding device, throwable life preserver, for boats of sixteen feet or larger, flare type device where applicable, and a approved chest type life preserver for each person. Additionally, all boats must have a functioning live well, aerated to maintain a limit of bass for each contestant. Each boat shall have a contest banner displayed on the engine cowling during contest hours. It is the responsibility of all contestants to comply with the above stated requirements.

3. **TACKLE AND EQUIPMENT:** With the exception of pork baits, only artificial lures are allowed during tournaments. Absolutely no live baits will be permitted. Only one rod and reel combination are allowed in use at any one time. Other rods and reels may be in the boat ready for use. Trolling with the outboard engine is prohibited.

4. **PERMITTED FISHING LOCATIONS:** Contestants may fish anywhere accessible by boat except areas designated as "off limits" or "no fishing" by the tournament director, local, state or federal officials. There will be a twenty-five yard buffer zone between all contestants' boats. If a contestant wishes to fish and/or pass within that twenty-five yard zone they must obtain permission from the other boat operator. Once permission is granted to fish within that twentyfive yard zone no other contestant may be denied. There will also be a fifty-yard zone around an anchored boat. Contestants may not leave the boat to land fish. Contestants may not fish from shore, docks, float tubes, etc. during tournament hours. Contestants must leave and return to the official area specified with the tournament hours. Contestants (boater and non boater) that are not at the official area at the appointed time shall be penalized at the rate of one pound per minute. Any contestant fifteen minutes or more late shall lose all weight for the day (Exception:See Rule 5A below).

5. **TOURNAMENT WEIGHING:** Only largemouth and smallmouth bass will be weighed. The minimum size for each fish is twelve inches, mouth closed, tail fanned, on a flat board. In the event that the minimum size limit differs from the state law the state law (including slot limits) shall govern. Bass presented for weigh-in shorter than the minimum size shall be removed and a one-pound penalty deducted from the total weight. The limit shall be five fish, in total, unless otherwise dictated by state law. No contestant may have more than five fish in the live well. In the event of a breakdown or unusual circumstance another contestant may transport contestants and/or fish and the fish legally weighed. All uninjured bass must be released after the weigh in.

The winning club will be determined by the average 5 fish limit weight for the club. The club minimum is 3 boats. If less than three boats show up to represent a club, their combined weight will still be divided by 3. The tournament standings will be determined

by the weight in pounds and tenths of pounds for each contestants catch, less any applied penalties. A penalty of .25 pounds per dead fish shall be deducted from the total weight. A penalty of .25 pounds will also apply to a dead big fish and all options. In cases of ties, the contestant with the biggest fish (less any applied penalties) will be determined the winner of the tie.

5A. In the event of a breakdown or unusual circumstance another contestant may transport contestants and/or fish and the fish legally weighed.

6. SPORTSMANSHIP: Any contestant, who displays poor sportsmanship, violates any tournament, state or lake fishing laws or rules will be disqualified for that day's tournament weight at the tournament director's discretion.