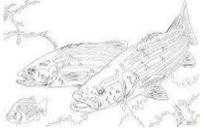


Agenda:

Friday, March 17, 2023

- 5:00 am - Boat Inspection
- 6:00 am - Tournament Begin
- 3:00 pm - Weigh-In (Rayburn Park Boat Ramp)



Saturday, March 18, 2023

- 5:00 am - Boat Inspection
- 6:00 am - Tournament Begin
- 3:00 pm - Weigh-In (Rayburn Park Boat Ramp)
- 8:00 pm - Awards



Tournament Rules/Regulations

1. Every boat in the tournament will require the following items during inspections: kill switch, safety cushions, life jackets, fire extinguisher (to date), first aid kit, whistle, horn, State required fishing license tag to date, boat insurance to date and tournament paid receipt.
2. All bass anglers participating shall be 16 years of age or older 17 years old and up just have fishing license per TPWD Regulations. CODA are welcomed!
3. All bass anglers participating in the tournament are required to wear Coast Guard approved life jacket and MUST be zipped, buckled and clasped at all times when the outboard is running for safety reasons. Kill switch must be utilized when the engine is operating. Those with "blow-up" life vest must be kept on at all times per Game Warden.
4. Houston Bass Club of the Deaf Chairperson will decide the time and launch of the boat take off.
5. During the tournament, Black bass (largemouth, smallmouth, Kentucky and spotted bass) shall be counted at the weigh-in. This will be a CATCH and RELEASE tournament. HBCD Officers will decide what to do with dead bass afterward of the weigh-in.
6. During the weigh-in, scoring will be based on lbs. A minimum length shall be 14" as according to the **2022-2023** Texas Park and Wildlife Department regulations. The maximum number of bass shall be **Five (5)** bass per person.
7. All Federal, State and Local laws must be abided & followed per their regulations. Those participating in the tournament that does not follow regulations shall be disqualified. NO Exception!
8. "Long Lining" or "Strolling" technique is **NOT** allowed in competition and defined as intentionally using a trolling motor or outboard to mechanically extend a cast.
9. Any anglers participating in the tournament displaying poor sportsmanship, violation of tournament rules, Texas regulations, intoxication or drugs on any contestant shall be disqualified. **NO EXCEPTION!**
10. No fishing shall be permitted within 50 yards of the tournament boat launch headquarter.
11. Artificial lures shall be used during the tournament. Only casting, spin casting or spinning rods and reels shall be allowed. Only one line may be in the water at any time. Additional rigged rods will be permitted in the boat as substitutes. Use of 8-foot flipping rod shall be permitted. Use of depth finder, thermometers, etc. which are not in violation of State/Local laws may be used.
12. Umbrella Rigs as per State regulations shall be used.
13. All boaters must show proof of insurance/current fishing license to date to tournament officials.
14. Bass Anglers can launch at any boat ramp locations throughout Sam Rayburn Lake but need to be at weigh in by 3:00pm where location of weigh in has been determined by the Tournament Director.
15. All boater shall leave the hotel any time after 5:30 am to arrive at the boat launch of their preference locations. Tournament begin exactly at 6:00 am shot gun! If weather conflicts, Tournament Director will make the time adjustment (if necessary).
16. Wading or banking are allowed with the understanding that will require all bass caught to be photo with date, time and weigh of the bass. Any dead bass caught shall be deducted 1/2 lbs (.50lbs). **NO EXCEPTION!**
17. Tournament shall have 1,2 or 3 Anglers on boat as determined by the Chairperson.
18. Per to Texas Park and Wildlife Department rules, **kill switch** must be on at **all times** upon operating an outboard while moving. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**
19. Houston Bass Club of the Deaf shall not be held liable for any accidents, damaged of hotels, etc. It is the responsibility of all Bass Anglers to handle everything within their own judgements.