

2019 Hogskin Bass Tournament Rules and Regulations

April 6th, 2019 (Safe daylight – 2:00 p.m.)



Rules for Fishing:

1. All AGFC rules and regulations apply.
2. All waters accessible from Little Bay Landing WITHOUT getting out of your boat are legal to fish. This includes the Ouachita River and accessible tributaries. Waters not accessible by water are not permitted for fishing.
3. Fishing from the bank will not be permitted.
4. No more than two anglers per boat are allowed.
5. No alcohol shall be consumed during the designated hours of fishing by any angler, committee member or tournament director.
6. No more than one rod can be used per angler at one time.
7. No fishing within 50 yards of an occupied anchored or tied boat.
8. All NO WAKE notices shall be observed.
9. The use of electronic lures or live bait will not be allowed.
10. No use of unrestricted tackle (e.g. yo-yos or droplines) will be allowed.

Rules for Tournament and Registration

1. Registrations will be taken WITHOUT a late penalty up until 15 minutes before blast off. We urge participants to preregister due to "RULE 2," however no late penalties will be assessed.
2. Blast-off will be done in waves of five boats announced by the tournament director. Order will be based on timing of registrations (i.e. the first registrations will blast off first).
3. At the weigh-in site the morning of the tournament, each boat will be given a blast-off and weigh-in card. This card must be kept during the duration of the tournament.
4. Tournament duration will be from safe daylight (determined by tournament director) until 2:00 p.m.
5. Prior to blast-off, all livewells and other compartments on angler's boats will be checked by a tournament committee member. The act of preserving fish, in any capacity, for the purpose of the tournament will result in an automatic disqualification.
6. Any time an outboard motor is running on an individual boat, anglers must wear their life preservers.

Weigh-in Rules and Penalties

1. Tournament is based on a weight of a five (5) fish limit per boat consisting of either largemouth, spotted or smallmouth bass species only.
2. Fish weights will be based on 1/100th of a pound (based on scale capabilities).
3. All fish weighed for total weight will adhere to the designated length limit and checked prior to weighing. Length limit will be twelve (12') inches on all bass species and checked in coordination with the AGFC measuring regulations. Any bass not meeting the minimal length requirement will not be weighed.
4. Any fish that has been manipulated will result in an automatic disqualification of the angler from the tournament.
5. All dead fish weighed will result in a loss of one-half (0.5) pounds per dead fish from the total weight of bag or individual fish (for lunker and trash fish purposes).
6. Anglers arriving at the weigh-in site after the 2:00 p.m. deadline will be penalized three (3) pounds per 15 minutes late with automatic disqualification after 3:00 p.m.
7. Trash fish will be designated as any species that is not a largemouth, spotted or smallmouth bass with no minimal inch limit. As with bass, trash fish may not be landed using any electronic lures or live bait or manipulated in any way.
8. Only largemouth, smallmouth or spotted bass will be considered for largest bass pot contention.

Prizes

(All prizes are based on 40 boats and no sponsorships. Prize money can actually vary based on a shift in either the number of boats or any additional sponsorship.)

1. The top three total weights will receive prize money of \$1,000, \$500, and \$250 per boat, respectively (or 50%, 25% and 12.5% of total money).
2. Largest bass weighed will receive 100% of all big bass prize money. Anglers must have preregistered for the big bass pot to be eligible for prize money. No money will be taken after blast-off.
3. Largest trash fish weighed will receive 100% of all trash fish prize money. Anglers must have preregistered for the trash fish pot to be eligible for prize money. No money will be taken after blast-off.
4. Pending sponsorships, there will be a drawing for door prizes after the weigh-in for donated items. Items can only be redeemed by showing your weigh-in card to the tournament committee.

The Tournament Committee has the right to refuse angler entries in the tournament and reserves the right of disqualification of anglers based on a violation of tournament rules.

For questions or comments, please contact a Hogskin Bass Tournament Committee Member.

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