

KELLOGG FISHING CLUB

BASS TOURNAMENT RULES

Individual, One & Two-day, Paper tournament rules

The Kellogg Fishing Club is a Friendly Fishing Club. Contestants in this tournament are usually family, friends or relatives, and few problems are anticipated. We are having this contest to provide recreation and enjoyment for ourselves and have a little fun along with some friendly competition at the same time. The officials of this tournament do not have any desire to have any ill will or bad feelings resulting from a misunderstanding of the rules. Every attempt has been made to cover possible situations that might occur in this tournament. We are aware, however, that something always turns up that we didn't plan for, so we ask you to bear with us if something out of the ordinary does occur. Any rules violations must be reported immediately the day of the tournament, by a club member to a Tournament Rules Committee member and the Interpretation of these rules shall be left exclusively to the Tournament Rules Committee, which consists of the Club Officers and the Tournament Director. Any decision of the Tournament Rules Committee will be final. If the interpretation of the rules affects the standing of a member of the Tournament Rules Committee, the Tournament Rules Committee member will recuse themselves from the decision process or will be disqualified from the tournament.

1. **Rules & Regulations:** Participation in this tournament is for Kellogg Fishing Club members and invited guests. **You are not allowed to fish with a guide on the tournament lake within seven (7) days of the tournament. Fishing guides as partners are not allowed.**
2. **Each competitor must have in his/her possession a current Texas Fishing License (unless state law allows otherwise) in order to fish in this tournament.**
3. **Weigh-in Penalty:** There will be a 2# penalty deduction for all math errors for both the entrant and the partner that check the numbers that affect the payouts. Two-day tournaments 2#'s per day = 4# penalty deduction. This will be deducted when the Vice-President (Kevin Phillips) does the final check of the numbers for the standings.
4. **Registration:** Each competitor must register and pay entrance fee by **4:00 p.m. on the Wednesday** prior to the day of the tournament. No refunds will be made after this day. Checks should be made payable to Kellogg Fishing Club. **A PARTNER IS REQUIRED FOR PAPER TOURNAMENTS.**
5. **Safety:** Safe boating conduct must always be observed by all tournament competitors. Each competitor is required to have a Coast Guard approved chest-type life preserver. The boat owner has the responsibility of seeing that his boat meets State of Texas and Coast Guard regulations. We encourage all boaters to wear their life jackets when operating their main engine.
6. **Tackle and Equipment:** Only artificial lures may be used. All fish must be caught in a conventional sporting manner. Black Bass caught while trolling with the outboard is not allowed and must be returned to the lake.
7. **Boat and Motor:** Any type of fishing boat may be used that is ten feet or more in length. A small motor, gas or electric, may be used for slow maneuvering. The competitor may use his own boat and motor or rent a boat and motor. Such rental is the sole responsibility of the competitor.
8. **Boat Operation and Expenses:** A full discussion must be held between the partners prior to a morning departure as to the schedule of boat operators. Compensation to the boat owner should be worked out between fishing partners.
9. **Permitted Fishing Location:** Fishing in the tournament waters is permitted anywhere in the lake. It is suggested that you do not fish within 50 feet of another competitor's boat.
10. **Official Checkpoint and Weigh-In:** There will not be a check-out on the day of the tournament. No fishing is allowed before the published official start time. Official time will be by the Tournament Director's watch. Failure to check in by the published official weigh-in time will result in disqualification.

Everyone who attends the weigh-ins (with or without fish) will be credited with one (1) pound towards their Club Standings.

11. **Scoring:**

"PAPER" TOURNAMENTS ARE ON SLOT LIMIT LAKES. Please note the fish size and bag limits rules for largemouth bass. If you elect to keep any fish caught, please check current regulations.

Only Largemouth Bass, Spotted Bass and Smallmouth Bass are to be measured. For the contest, there will be no limit to the number of fish that can be caught, measured, released, and entered on the score sheets; however, prize money will be paid based on the total of the **LONGEST FIVE (5) FISH ONLY!!** for each day, and an individual two day cumulative total for both days will determine the appropriate rankings for the prize money.

*Since this is a "PAPER" TOURNAMENT, **EACH CONTESTANT MUST HAVE A PARTNER, and 1 of the partners must be a member in good standing. Each contestant must turn in the attached score sheet listing each fish caught with total inches of the five largest at the bottom of the page for each day. Score sheets will not be accepted without total inches of the five largest fish and signed off by the contestant. Partner's initials are required beside each of the largest. YOU SHOULD ENTER YOUR FISH ON THE KFC WEIGH-IN APP BUT MUST STILL TURN IN A SCORE SHEET FOR VERIFICATION.***

It is suggested that you please take a picture of any fish over 20" on your measurement flat rule and holding it.

Your fishing partner must sign your score sheet as verification of your entries. Fish must be measured in front of your partner by being placed on top of a flat rule with mouth closed. Measurement is from the tip of the bottom lip to the tip of the tail with the tailed squeezed together. RECORD YOUR ENTRIES TO THE NEAREST 1/4". It is suggested that your partner verify the measurement as it is recorded to avoid any later confusion. For example:

<u>Measured length</u>	<u>record length</u>	<u>List all lengths in fractions of 1/4"</u>
14-5/8"	14 3/4"	
21"	21"	
17-1/4"	17 1/4"	

12. **Awards:**

The tournament entry fee is \$45.00 for club members plus \$ 5 dollars for the optional Super Bass pot if you choose. All parties except guest fishing must have paid the \$50.00 club membership fee to participate in any tournament (one-time yearly fee). Guest are allowed to fish one (1) tournament annually without having to pay the annual dues. That fee is \$ 45 dollars. Guests are not eligible for Super Bass pot.

Cash payout will be based on the number of participants and may be adjusted to ensure that 1st place pays more than big Bass. Total payout will be 90% of entry fee collected based on the total amount of places paid. Including Big Bass awards. In the event that the number of places allocated for the tournament are not fulfilled. The money will be rolled over to the next tournament payouts. If there is a tie in any of the categories, the Tournament Director will determine how the tie will be settled.

Note: Only the largest five (5) bass caught will count toward the club standings. Be sure that all fish are recorded on your weigh-in sheets for both days. The club's weight versus length curve will be used to assign weights to the fish. The Kellogg Fishing Club uses the published TPWD scale chart.

In addition to the above cash prizes, "Big Bass Awards" will be made for the largest Black Bass caught. The entry fee for the "Big Bass Award" is part of the entry fee. The longest paper lengths will be used to determine the winners.

Contestants are allowed to win only one payout per tournament. If a contestant qualifies for a place and also big bass, the tournament director will award the highest value payout to the contestant. Super Bass Pot does not come under these rules... A contestant can win a place or big bass payout plus Super Bass pot...

Individual - Two Day and Team tournaments also do not apply to these rules. Big Bass pots are divided equally between the two days. A contestant could possibly win a place, big bass and Super Bass pot all in the same day.

13. **Other Notes:**

Each individual is responsible for his/her accommodations if he/she plans to stay overnight.

SEE FACT SHEET

14. **Directions:**

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SUPER BASS POT

YOU MUST BE A PAID MEMBER TO QUALIFY FOR THE SUPER BASS POT. NO GUESTS ARE ELIGIBALE.

The Super Bass Pot is for a bass of 7.15 lbs. or more for a weight tournament, or 22 ³/₄" for a paper tournament. If there are two or more Bass over 7.15 bs or 22 ³/₄" the highest weight or longest length wins.

You can win the Big Bass Pot and Super Bass Pot in the same tournament.

If no one wins the Pot, it carries over to the next tournament.

This is good for all tournaments, weight and paper tournaments.

The KFC weight scale will govern for the weight tournaments.

The KFC weight table will govern for the paper tournaments.

You need not enter every tournament to be eligible.

You must enter to win.

You can wait until the pot builds and then enter if you like.

If you have any questions call Andy McKinney @ 281-678-9510