

KELLOGG FISHING CLUB

BASS TOURNAMENT RULES

Individual, One Day – Weigh-in – Tournament

Contestants in this tournament are usually 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 decision of the Tournament Rules Committee will be final. Interpretation of these rules shall be left exclusively to the Tournament Rules Committee, which consists of **the club officers** and the **tournament director**. 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. **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 not required for this tournament but suggested for safety.
4. **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.
5. **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.
6. **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. All boats must have a working live well. Internal to the boat or external.
7. **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.
8. **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.
9. **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 **3:30 p.m.** will result in disqualification.

Everyone who attends the weigh-ins (with or without fish) will be credited with one (1) pound towards their 2020 Club Standings.

10. **Scoring:** One Day Weigh-in:

Each competitor's check-in of actual weight will be credited towards their standings, plus the one-pound weigh-in credit for each day. If you do not have any fish to weigh but still attend the weigh-in, you will receive 1-pound credit for that day.

Winners shall be determined by pound and ounce weight of each person's catch that day. Only largemouth, smallmouth or spotted bass will be weighed. The limit shall be five (5) bass per person with a minimum length of 14 inches of the above species and variety. Unless the individual lake has a different size limit requirement larger than 14 inches or than Texas law requires. Each member must catch the fish that they weigh – you may not “help” your partner completes his/her limit. Only bass as described above which measure 14 inches or more in length with tail squeezed on the longest straight line shall be weighed in. Any bass that appears to have been mangled, mashed, mauled or otherwise altered will be weighed and credited only at the discretion of tournament officials. You are encouraged to keep all bass alive and release the fish back into the lake after weigh-in or keep them if you so desire.

11. Awards:

The tournament entry fee is \$40.00 for club members. All parties except guest fishing must have paid the \$40.00 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.

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 80% of entry fee collected.

If there is a tie in any of the categories, the Tournament Director will determine how the tie will be settled.

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.

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.

12. Other Notes:

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

SEE FACT SHEET

13. 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 weigh 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 till the pot builds and then enter.

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