

# BARRY E SMITH BLACK BASS FISHING

## TOURNAMENT RULES - 2019

- A. This is an amateur tournament. No professional guides or anglers may participate.
- B. State and Lake Laws Apply.
- C. Five (5) fish limit per team.
- D. 12" Minimum for Spotted Bass, 14" Minimum for Largemouth.
- E. No Trolling during tournament hours.
- F. No live bait (Only artificial lures are permitted).
- G. No fishing of pre-baited holes or holding of holes at any time.
- H. Anglers must remain at least 50 yards from other competing anglers marked with a ribbon.
- I. Dead fish cannot be weighed in as "Big Fish".
- J. Fishing inside the lighthouse/start line at harbor is off limits.
- K. Only one dead fish allowed per team. Short fish will be culled along with the big fish.
- L. Late penalty will be 1 lb. per minute. 15 minutes late will result in disqualification.
- M. All contestants, win or lose, will be subject to a polygraph.
- N. Live well and storage box checks will be performed prior to the tournament.
- O. Anglers must remain in the boat at all times except for dire emergency.
- P. Tournament time or date may be rescheduled or changed under certain circumstances such as inclement weather or conflicting dates.
- Q. Any protests must be submitted in writing no later than 15 minutes after the scales close and will be resolved by the Tournament Committee. All decisions made by the Committee will be final.
- R. All ties will be settled by Big Fish.
- S. Failure to follow any of the rules set forth will result in disqualification. All decisions made by the Committee are final.

Committee Chairman: Walter Blackmon. Members: Benny Jackson, Sam Thrower, Jack Wood and Barry Smith.