



# D&R Sports Center Tournament Series by KR, Inc.

## TOURNAMENT RULES

Interpretation and enforcement of the following rules shall be left exclusively to the tournament committee. In the event of a rule violation, the tournament director may impose such sanctions, as he deems appropriate.

1. There is a one-time yearly membership fee of \$40.00 per person, which includes B.A.S.S. Team Membership and subscription to BASS Times. This must also be paid by all subs.
2. Entry fee is \$150.00 per boat, fishing team or single. Payback is based on paid entries. The Championship fund will receive \$20.00 per entry, per tournament. Payback is based on the published payback schedule and is subject to change at the discretion of the tournament committee.
3. Entries will be received as a team entry or single entry. If you enter to fish singly, you must do so for all 4 Championship qualifiers and the Championship. If you enter as a team, you will be allowed to use one sub per season per team, or you may fish alone. No subs at Championship! Everyone, including subs, must check in prior to the pre-tournament meeting. You must decide on your team or single classification on your first entry.
4. There will be a 5-fish limit of bass, largemouth or smallmouth, whether you are fishing as a team or by yourself. Fish must be 14" or longer, mouth closed. Short fish are thrown back along with your biggest fish. Dead fish are penalized 4 ounces (.250 in hundredths). You must cull down to 5 fish before returning to check-in. **NO CULLING AT RAMP/CHECK-IN AREA!** If fishing alone you may only have a 5-fish legal limit in livewell at any one time.
5. Total weight determines the winning team. We will use Big Bass as a tiebreaker for total weight, and total weight as a tiebreaker for Big Bass.
6. Lake Michigan will be closed for Championship Qualifiers unless otherwise announced. Off limits will be set at the pre-tournament meeting. You may not fish within 50 yards of a competitor's boat if it is anchored (trolling motor up and anchor or shallow water anchor down), without the anchored boat's permission. White Lake will be open to all teams for both Muskegon events. All other waters are closed. No fishing outside of pier heads.
7. We will use a 100-point system. First = 100 points, second = 99 points, etc. Total points at the end of the 4th Championship qualifier will determine the final standings. Teams that fish all four Championship qualifiers will be invited to fish the Championship Tournament!
8. The Championship location waters will be off limits at 6 PM the Sunday prior to the Championship Tournament date. Official tournament and practice schedule will be announced prior to or at the last qualifying event.
9. Anglers must practice a high level of sportsmanship, safety and courtesy during tournament hours. Participants will refrain from the use of alcohol and/or drugs during the course of the tournament event. This prohibition does not extend to the use of prescribed medications for ongoing medical issues. Violation is an automatic disqualification. Interpretation of the spirit of sportsmanship is at the sole discretion of the tournament committee as is the penalty.
10. Any violation of Federal, State or Local Laws is an automatic disqualification. Observation of no wake zones and having proper safety equipment are your responsibility. **NO WAKE NO PASS**
11. At least one member of each team must be 18 years of age and have a valid driver's license. Each team member or single angler must complete and sign the entry form and pay the entry fee.
12. Big Bass Pot will be paid back 100%. Mandatory cost is \$20 per team per event.
13. Approved life vests must be worn while moving with combustion engine.
14. Kill switches must be used when the combustion engine is running.
15. Only one rod & reel per person (8 ft. Maximum length) may be used at a time. Artificial lures only - except pork strips. No trolling.
16. The horsepower of the outboard motor must not exceed the boat (bia) rating. All boats shall have the required Coast Guard safety equipment, functional kill switch, and live well with aeration system.
17. You must leave and return to the tournament site by boat. If you break down, one person from the team may return in another contestant's boat with the fish to be weighed in. Otherwise you may not leave the boat, unless in the case of emergency.
18. **MANDATORY** - All boats must check in at the end of each tournament. It is your responsibility to find the check in person. You must check in by 3:00 PM for first flight, 3:15 PM for second flight, even if you have no fish to weigh in! Not after you load up! If you do not check in on time, you are disqualified for that event. Do not bring up fish to be weighed until scales are officially open!
19. Any **PROTEST** must be made within 10 minutes of the scales closing.
20. All payouts are based on a full field of 100 teams; plus 3 boats from the Tournament Staff.
21. Take off positions for the qualifying events will be determined by a random drawing the morning of the tournament. The first and second take off positions will be determined by a raffle drawing at the pre-tournament meeting. Morning check-in will be at 5:30 AM and take off will be at safe light.
22. Championship tournament will be a 2-day event - details TBA.
  - 1st Day - All qualifying boats will fish; take off position will be determined in the same format as the qualifiers
  - 2nd Day - Top 1/2 of field will keep their weight and fish for a chance at the boat and cash prizes  
Bottom 1/2 of field will start at zero weight and fish for 2nd Chance Money  
2nd Day take off position for top 1/2 of field is first flight; take off position for bottom 1/2 is second flight. Order for both flights TBD.  
All teams will qualify for the random bonus awards and must be present to win.
23. In the unfortunate event that a tournament has to be cancelled, all entries and prizes will be rolled over to another event at the tournament directors discretion. No refunds will be given.
24. All information, results, announcement, etc will be made via email. It is the angler's responsibility to make sure we have your correct email address as shown on the entry form, and that you are receiving the emails correctly. Please notify us of any changes to your email address.
25. Bassmaster Team Championship teams will be awarded as follows: top two points leaders after the four qualifying tournaments & top two championship tournament finishers. If there is a duplication or non-taker Miles and Randy have first right of refusal. After that it will go down the list in order of final standings from the four qualifying tournaments.