

# Annual Ray Stanley Memorial

## Bass Tournament Rules

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Open tournament is for all interested parties.

### **ENTRY**

RSMBT Directors reserve the right to refuse entry to anyone in tournament.

### **SAFETY**

Safe boating practices must be observed at all times. Boat operation shall be in a safe, legal and courteous manner to contestants and non-contestant boaters. USCG approved personal floatation devices must be properly worn at starting point and whenever boat is on plane. All boaters must be equipped with a working kill switch which must be attached to the driver at starting point and whenever the boat is on plane. The Tournament Directors reserves the right to cancel at any time due to unsafe conditions.

### **ALCOHOL**

NO Alcoholic beverages are allowed in any tournament boat and consumption is not allowed during official tournament hours. Official tournament hours are from the driver's meeting the morning of the tournament until the team has completed their weigh-in.

### **LAWS AND REGULATIONS**

All contestants must comply with federal, state and local laws including state Department of Wildlife and Colville Confederated Tribal regulations when applicable.

### **BOAT AND MOTOR**

Boats equipped with a motor horsepower in excess of factory or BIA rating will not be allowed to participate. All boats must have a functioning aerated live well. All boats are subject to inspection at tournament start.

### **DISPUTES**

All disputes must be filed with the Tournament Directors prior to the awarding of any monies. Said disputes will be addressed by the Tournament Directors and their ruling will be final.

### **FISHABLE WATERS**

All contestants must fish from the boat and in waters designated as tournament waters. Tournament waters are from Wells Dam to Chief Joseph Dam and all tributaries therein.

### **EMERGENCY TRANSPORTATION**

In an emergency situation, a contestant and their fish may be transported to the weigh-in by another tournament contestant's boat.

### **FISH SIZE**

There will not be a minimum measurement.

### **FISH LIMIT**

A limit shall consist of 5 fish. No more than a limit of fish will be possessed. Individuals fishing alone will be allowed to weigh-in only five fish and must comply with all other appropriate state and/or tribal regulations.

### **FISHING METHODS**

Only artificial lures and pork rind baits shall be allowed.

### **FISH RETENTION**

All fish shall be released alive with the exception that one trophy fish per contestant may be retained. A trophy fish shall be a smallmouth over 6 pounds or a largemouth over 7 pounds.

### **PENALTIES**

There will be no penalty for weighing a dead fish. No dead fish shall be returned to the water at the weigh-in. Late arrival at the weigh-in shall be penalized ½ pound per minute up to 10 minutes and after 10 minutes, disqualified. No exceptions shall be allowed.

### **PRE-FISHING**

All tournament waters shall be off limits the Friday night prior to the tournament.

### **TIES**

In case of ties, big fish shall be the tie breaker.

### **TIMES, FEES, AND PAY-OUTS**

Tournament starting and ending times, all entry fees and pay-outs shall be established by the Tournament Directors and published prior to the tournament.

### **CONDUCT**

Any tournament contestant who displays poor conduct or violates any of the above rules will be disqualified and all prizes, monies and entry fees forfeited.

THESE RULES ARE ADOPTED BY RSMBT TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS  
AS OF APRIL 21<sup>ST</sup> 1993.