

TOURNAMENT RULES

Indiana Bass'n Gals

1. The twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) total entry fee (includes \$5 Big Bass) is allocated:
50% Club Award Fund
25% First Place Winner
15% Second Place Winner
10% Third Place Winner
Five dollars (\$5) Big Bass Pot each tournament to be paid out at weigh-in.
2. Entry fee for each tournament must be paid by the meeting before that tournament, if unable to attend the meeting, fee must be paid to the tournament director prior to the meeting unless other arrangements have been made.
3. Tournament pairings and take off positions will be made by a random draw at the meeting prior to the tournament. Partners will be rotated throughout the tournament season, if possible.
4. One day tournaments will be eight hours, and two-day tournaments will be a total of 16 hours.
5. Largemouth, smallmouth and spotted bass will be the only species weighed in. Indiana Bass 'n Gals will abide by all lake-imposed size regulations. For Indiana tournaments, fish must be weighed in according to Indiana regulations: total limit per angler is five fish per angler or lake limit. No culling dead fish.
6. If any contestant is late arriving to the weigh in site, it will result in a loss of one ounce per minute up to fifteen minutes. If more than fifteen minutes late, no fish may be weighed in. If you are late due to unforeseen circumstances (excluding running out of gas), penalty may be waived by the Tournament Committee. When arriving late check-in with Tournament Director.
7. Alcohol or illegal substances are strictly prohibited during tournament hours including weigh-ins. Any evidence of such activities will be grounds for immediate disqualification.
8. Anyone unable to participate in a tournament must notify the partner and the tournament director/committee at least 24 hours prior to the tournament date. In cases of emergency, call as soon as possible.
9. Running tournament boats will not cut in front of other running boats within a distance of 100 yards, or 50 yards while one is anchored (trolling motor up).
10. Boaters are expected to meet Coast Guard required boater safety equipment. Motors must have an operating kill switch, and this must be attached to the operator's personal floatation device when the big motor is running. Live well and aerator must be working.
11. All participants must wear an approved Coast Guard personal floatation device whenever the big motor is running. Non-boaters are responsible for their own personal floatation device (PFD).
12. Non-boaters are obligated to reimburse \$20.00 per day for boat expenses, unless specified by boater. Launch fees should be split between the angler and the boater.

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13. No live or natural baits (except pork baits) are permitted.
14. No trolling for fish is allowed.
15. All fishing and landing of fish must be done from the boat.
16. The Tournament Committee declares placement based on weigh in results.
17. The club will vote on the favorite lakes and the Tournament Committee will set up the tournament trail according to the results of the vote in December.
18. If non-boaters outnumber boaters, boaters taking a third person in their boat, space and safety allowing, will be awarded 10 extra points to the Angler of the Year final total.
19. Dead fish penalty is 8 oz. deduction per dead fish. Dead fish does not count as Big Bass.
20. If for any reason a contestant must leave early, please notify the Tournament director or one of the committee members.