## OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM AND TOURNAMENT RULES

We have read and understand the rules and enclose the completed application and our entry fee payable to: **IBEW BASS TOURNAMENT.** In signing this application, we hereby waive and release all other contestants, sponsors, host marina's and tournament officials from all claims for injury and/or damage incurred regarding this tournament. Entry constitutes permission to use winners' names and likeness for advertising and publicity purposes. Receipt date at entry determines starting positions. Check or money order only must accompany this form to qualify for tournament entry. No post-dated checks will be accepted.

Boater's Members Name:	Age:
Address:	
City, State & Zip:	
Signature:	
Buddy's Name:	_Age:
Address:	
City, State & Zip:	
Signature:	

Mail to: IBEW, Local One, 2611 Gerhardt, Cape Girardeau, Mo 63703, Attn: Bass Tournament BIG BASS JACKPOT - \$10.00 PER BOAT − 100% PAY BACK − 70% TO BIGGEST BASS − 30% TO 2<sup>10</sup> BIGGEST BASS.

This tournament is a one-day tournament. Each individual is responsible for their lodging and boat slips.

Barbecue and refreshments will be available after the tournament.

## (PLEASE READ THESE RULES AS SOME RULES HAVE CHANGED)

- 1. **Rules:** The following rules for the tournament will be used. These rules will be interpreted solely by the Tournament Committee and all decisions are final. The committee reserves the right to reject any entry.
- 2. Tournament Committee: The tournament committee shall consist of IBEW members appointed by the President of Local One, IBEW.
- 3. **Eligibility:** All individuals who have paid the appropriate entry fee. Individuals under the age of 18 are requested to have a consent form from parent or guardian. Each entry <u>must</u> include at least one **active** or **retired** member of Local One, IBEW. <u>Two people per boat no exceptions</u>. **Sorry,** professional guides or anyone who has earned or won \$2,000.00 or more in the last 12 months may not enter.
- 4. **Safety Conservation:** Safe boating and fishing practices must be observed. **Life jackets must be worn during the takeoff**. Kill switches are recommended. All Missouri Department of Conservation laws and regulations shall apply. An agent of the Missouri Department of Conservation may be present at departure and weigh-in.
- 5. Entry Fee: \$100.00 per boat plus optional \$10.00 big bass pot. Entries will be accepted by mail, in person at the IBEW hall or at the tournament registration. NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER 6:30am SATURDAY. We reserve the right to assign flights and hours, if necessary. Departures will be in the order requests are received. Cancellations & refunds must be requested by March 1, 2025.
- 6. **Headquarters-Time and Date:** Check-in at headquarters, Rock Harbor Resort, **5:00pm to 9:00pm Friday; 6:00am to 6:30am Saturday**, to let us know you are present. Rock Harbor Resort, **973** Rock Harbor Rd, Lake Rd 5-35, Sunrise Beach, MO 65079 (573-374-5586 or toll free 877-203-4186)
- 7. Tackle and Equipment: Only artificial bait or lures may be used. Pork-style baits are allowed. No trolling. All bass must be caught on rod and reel.
- 8. **Boats and Motors:** Any boat 14 feet or larger will be accepted if powered by an engine of 10 horsepower or more. Boat may not be trailered during the tournament. All Missouri water patrol laws and regulations shall apply.
- 9. **Permitted Fishing Locations:** Anywhere on the tournament lake, except within fifty (50) yards of another contestant's anchored boat or within 100 yards from take-off point.
- 10. **Boat ID:** Contestants check in and pickup their assigned number at Rock Harbor Resort prior to take-off. A contestant's assigned number must be visible at all times during the tournament.
- 11. **Scoring:** Largemouth bass, Kentucky bass, and Smallmouth bass will be counted. Total stringers weight per team will determine place. Any Largemouth or Smallmouth (15) inches or Kentucky bass less than (12) inches presented for weigh-in will cause two (2) pounds to be subtracted from stringer weight, plus the bass or the short fish. Six (6) fish per boat may be weighed-in. Any frozen, iced, or mangled fish presented for weight-in will result in immediate disqualification. All dead fish weighed in will have a one (1) pound deduction. Contestants must be in sight of their partners during the tournament hours and until they have weigh-in. The tournament committee will determine the official measuring device.
- 12. Protest: Protest must be filed in writing with the tournament committee within thirty (30) minutes of the conclusion of the weigh-in.
- 13. Sportsmanship: Any un-sportsman-like conduct, becoming a nuisance, or abusive language could result in suspension from future tournaments.
- 14. Ties: Ties will be broken by earliest boat numbers.
- 15. **Weigh-in Late Penalty:** One (1) pound per minute up to ten (10) minutes, then disqualification No exceptions. Scales will close 30 minutes after last flight is due in.