

2010 FISHIN' CHIX LADIES BASS TOURNAMENT

PARTICIPANTS and ELIGIBILITY: As determined by "Fishin' Chix" and appointed tournament officials.

PAIRING OF PARTNERS AND BOAT OPERATION: Two anglers will be assigned per boat along with their boat captain unless you have your own boat you will then be paired with a partner.

LICENSE: State of Alabama Freshwater Fishing License is required for each angler.

SAFETY: Safe boat conduct must be observed at all times by boat captains and competitors especially in the vicinity of non competitors. Each competitor and boat captain must wear a Coast Guard approved chest-type life preserver when the combustion engine is operating. This preserver must be strapped, snapped, or zippered securely, and maintained in that condition until the combustion engine is shut off. It is suggested the boat captain have a safety check and review locations of all safety equipment in the boat. Ignition kill switch must be attached to the boat captain's body anytime the combustion engine is in operation.

SPORTSMANSHIP: Anglers and boat captains are expected to follow high standards of sportsmanship, courtesy, safety, and conservation. Use of alcohol or drugs (other than those purchased over-the-counter or prescribed by a licensed physician) by any competitor during the tournament shall be cause for immediate disqualification.

TACKLE and EQUIPMENT: The use of a landing net is allowed. Only artificial lures and biodegradable artificial lures may be used. No "live bait" or "prepared bait" will be permitted with exception of pork strips or rinds. Only one casting, spin casting, or spinning rod (8 foot maximum length from butt of handle to rod tip) and reel may be used at any one time. Other rigs, as specified above, may be in the boat ready for use: however, only one is permitted in use at any given time. All bass must be caught live and in a conventional sporting manner. Competitors are allowed to share baits and tackle at all times.

HORSEPOWER REGULATIONS: There are no limits however horsepower cannot exceed the limitations set by U.S. Coast Guard.

BOAT OPERATION and EXPENSE: If you do not have your own boat then this will apply, Boat Captains operate and control big engine at all times. Boat captains are allowed to operate or allow anglers to operate trolling motor while fishing. Boat captains do not fish, cast, reel in fish, help land fish, etc. Each angler is allowed equal time running the trolling motor and/or fishing from the most forward point of the boat.

SCORING: Winners will be determined by total pounds and ounces of their combined catch. Each team is allowed 4 bass in possession. Culling of live bass is allowed. Fish must measure 12 inches minimum length.

BOAT IDENTIFICATION AND CHECKPOINTS: Each boat will be identified by an assigned number. Check out and check in times will be announced by tournament officials.

PENALTIES: 1 pound plus loss of each bass presented to tournament officials measuring less than 12 inches. 8 ounces for each bass presented to tournament officials for weigh in not alive. Tournament officials have sole authority determining length, live or dead. Competitors who are not at the official check-in point at the appointed time shall be penalized at the rate of one pound per minute late: to be deducted from the total weight of her catch. Any competitor more than 15 minutes late shall lose all credit for her catch.

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TIEBREAKERS: First tiebreaker will be number of fish weighed. Second tiebreaker will be number of live fish weighed. If ties are not broken by means above prizes will be split among tied contestants.

WAIVER AND RELEASE: As a condition of participation in this tournament, each competitor must execute a waiver and release of liability, and a name and likeness release.