



## Classic Bass

MN B.A.S.S. Nation

Tournament of Champions

Presented by Visit Grand Rapids

Lake Pokegama, Grand Rapids MN

August 16-17, 2018

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### MAKE SURE YOU READ MN B.A.S.S. NATION RULES

**Fish Limit:** Boater 5 bass Co-Angler 5 bass

**Minimum Length:** 12 inches

**Fish Species:** Both largemouth and smallmouth

**Classic Bass Take Off:** Zorbaz Grand Rapids

**Take-Off Starts:** 7:00 a.m. continuous

**Tournament Waters:** Pokegama Lake, Jay Gould, Little Jay Gould, Mississippi River to the Hwy 6 Bridge. Any waters deemed no wake MUST be observed.

**Tournament Director:** Bill Neumann (320) 979-7490

### CHECK IN TIMES

**FLIGHT:** #1 - 3:00 p.m. #2 - 3:30 p.m. #3 - 4:00 p.m. #4 - 4:30 p.m.

<b>Day 1</b> Boat # _____ Check in Time _____ Partner _____ Cell Number _____	<b>Day 2</b> Boat # _____ Check in Time _____ Partner _____ Cell Number _____
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### Boating Safety

Safe boat conduct must be observed at all times by competitors. During the official practice and competition, each boat passenger must wear a Coast Guard-Approved chest-type life preserver anytime the combustion engine is running. This preserver must be strapped, snapped or zippered securely and maintained in that position until combustion engine is shut off. Inflatable PFDs are allowed if Coast Guard regulations are met. The Coast Guard requires that inflatable PFDs be worn at all times unless there is an equal number of non-inflatable Coast-Guard approved PFDs on board. Always practice safe boating and stop and help when someone is in distress. Check your equipment every evening to be sure all is in good working condition.

### Strive to Keep Alive

MN B.A.S.S. Nation is proud of its fish care efforts over the years and will continue to be the leader and emphasize the importance of high quality fish care through out the tournament. To assure we take the best care possible of this resource we need your help. Both anglers need to monitor your catch, keep fresh oxygenated water in live wells, use ice when needed. **Be sure your live well drain is closed when running to another destination.**

**Your signature on the MNBN rules and participation agreement acknowledges that you have read and understand the rules for this tournament.**

## **Listed below is an emphasis of rules for this tournament**

**Rule (2)** No contestant may operate a boat unless that contestant has documented proof of a minimum of \$300,000 boating liability insurance and presented upon request to the Tournament Director. This documented proof must show an effective date and expiration date.

**Rule (4)** Each competitor agrees to report to the Tournament Director immediately any violation or infraction of any tournament rules.

**Rule (6)** Safe boat conduct must be observed at all times by tournament competitors, each competitor is required to wear a Coast Guard-approved chest type life preserver. This preserver must be worn anytime the combustion engine is operating. This preserver must be strapped, snapped, or zippered securely and maintained in that condition until the competitor reaches their fishing location and the combustion engine is shut off.

**Rule (7)** Competitors in B.A.S.S. tournaments are expected to follow high standards of sportsmanship, courtesy, safety, and conservation. Any infraction of these fundamental sporting principles may be deemed cause for disqualification.

**Rule (10)** Ignition-kill device must be attached to the driver's body any time the combustion engine is operating and in gear.

**Rule (13)** In Pro/AM type events, during the official competition "boaters" will fish from the front deck, and "non-boaters" will fish from the back deck. NO EXCEPTIONS.

**Rule (19)** Penalty points for each legal dead bass presented to weigh-in officials, the competitor shall be penalized .25 pounds of weight, to be deducted from the anglers daily score.

**Rule (20)** Late penalty is one pound per minute up to 15 minutes, Any competitor more than 15 minutes late shall lose all credit for that day's catch.

**Rule (23)** None of the above rules shall prohibit a properly designated tournament official from approaching or boarding any competitor's boat at any time during the official practice period or the official competition days

## **FAQ's**

**How do I meet my next day partner?** Your weigh-in slip will have your Day 2 partner's name and phone number. You should have also received a text message at the end of the registration meeting with both your Day 1 and Day 2 partner's contact information.

**What if I do not want to weigh-in?** Proceed to the official check in so we know you are safe.

**What happens if I leave the tournament early?** It must be a very legitimate reason as determined by the Tournament Director. There are penalties for going home early without a legitimate excuse. **REGARDLESS you must contact the Tournament Director.**

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