

Anglers Dream Bass Circuit (Division # 55) - Official 2016 Rules & Regulations

1. **SAFETY:** Safe boating conduct must be observed at all times. Each competitor is required to wear a Coast Guard approved life preserver whenever the combustion engine is operating. All boats must be equipped with an ignition kill switch. A lanyard is to be attached to the boat kill switch and operator any time the combustion engine is operating. Violation of this rule shall be reason for disqualification.
2. **SPORTSMANSHIP:** Tournament competitors are expected to adhere to high standards of sportsmanship, courtesy, safety and conservation. Consumption of alcoholic beverages or illegal possession or use of a controlled substance during the tournament or tournament functions or any infraction of fundamental any violation of state, marine, fishing or conservation laws sporting principles will not be tolerated. Any violation of these basic rules. may be deemed cause for disqualification. from that event and all further Anglers Dream events.
3. **TACKLE AND EQUIPMENT:** Only artificial lures may be used. (No live or prepared bait will be allowed with the exception of pork strips, rinds, etc. Commercial fish attractants are allowed) Only one casting or spinning rod, 8' maximum length may be used at any time. Any competitor found to have in his/her possession equipment or baits not permitted will be disqualified.
4. **HORSEPOWER REGULATIONS:** Only Boats and Motors that are in compliance with the B.I.A. horsepower rating will be allowed to participate.
5. **BASIC BOAT EQUIPMENT:** Every boat must have all required Coast Guard safety equipment, in addition to a live well properly aerated to adequately maintain five bass- yards of another competitor's boat which was first anchored. Competitors may not have any location reserved or saved by either another competitor or non-competitor during the event. All angling must be done from the boat. Contestant may not depart the boat to retrieve a fish. The boat must remain in legal tournament waters on tournament days. Contestant must remain in the boat at all times except in the case of dire emergency.
7. **OFFICIAL CHECK POINT:** There shall be only one (1) official point for check out in the morning and check in for the afternoon. At the time of check out all boats are expected to be within full compliance of the rules.
8. **SCORING:** Tournament standing and final winner shall be determined by the pound and fraction of a pound of each teams catch during the day. Only largemouth, smallmouth and spotted bass will be weighed. All contestants are bound by the prevailing statutes and regulations of the state in which they are participating. All bass must be caught live and in a conventional sporting manner. Any fish deemed caught foul hooked will not be weighed. At no time shall a contestant have more fish in possession than the designated limit for a team for the event. In the event that a participant has more fish in their possession than the described limit, tournament officials shall cull the fish to the tournament limit starting with the largest fish down to the limit described.
9. **DEAD FISH PENALTY:** A penalty of one-half (1/2) of a pound will be deducted for each dead fish brought in at the time of weigh-in.
10. **ELIGIBILITY:** Participation is open to anglers of either sex who are members of Anglers Dream. Participant must be eighteen (18) years of age or older. No FLW touring or BASS Elite Series Professional allowed.
11. **REGISTRATION:** An official Anglers Dream entry form must be filled out and signed for each event fished. Each contestant must be present for the registration for that event. Failure to register during the prescribed time shall result in loss of starting position and reassigned to the back of field.
12. **PAIRINGS:** This is a singles tournament trail. Angling or non-angling guest are not permitted.
13. **STARTING POSITIONS:** Starting positions will be drawn at the mandatory pre tournament meeting at that event.
14. **PRE-TOURNAMENT PRACTICE:** Practice or Scouting of fish will be allowed with the following exceptions. No fishing or boating will be allowed on the tournament waters on the day of the event from 12:01am. until the start of the event.
15. **NO WAKE ZONES:** All no wake zones and areas are NO PASS zones unless the boat being passed is fishing, gives permission to pass, is inoperable or multiple boat lanes permit a different route to be taken.
16. **SHORT FISH PENALTY:** Any fish presented for weigh-in by a contestant that fails to measure the minimum size limit designated for the event shall not be counted in the days totals. In addition, the largest fish of that days catch for that team shall also be culled.
17. **LATE PENALTY:** Competitors who have not arrived at the appointed time shall be penalized one pound per each minute that they are late. Any team over ten minutes late will lose credit for that days entire catch.
18. **TIES:** In the event of a tie, big bass will break stringer ties and heavy stringer will break big bass ties.
19. **COMPLIANCE:** It shall be the sole responsibility of all entrants to comply with the said rules and regulations.
20. **RULINGS:** The Tournament Director and his designated appointees shall reserve the right for rules interpretations and rulings thereof. Furthermore, the tournament committee reserves the right to change dates or sites of any given tournament. **Any protest must be in writing, signed by the protestor, and filed within ten minutes after weigh-in.** The decision of the tournament officials in all rulings shall be final. Any and all contestants are subject to a truth verification exam (polygraph test), at the discretion of the tournament director or official. Failure to take and successfully complete this test is reason for disqualification and forfeit of all prizes from this and all future Anglers Dream events.

2016 Anglers Dream Singles Championship

To qualify for the 2016 Anglers Dream Singles Championship an entrant must participate in a minimum of 5 qualifying events and accumulate 160 or more points. Points can be accumulated in either one division or a combination of any of the Anglers Dream singles divisions. The 2015 Singles Championship will take place on September 26 & 27 on White Lake, Whitehall, MI. There will be a mandatory pre-tournament rules meeting on Friday September 25 at 5:00 PM at the Montague city boat ramp on White Lake. The tournament will commence at first safe light. Entry fee for the 2015 Anglers Dream Singles Championship will be \$80 due by Friday September 18. Entries received after that will be charged a \$20 late fee.

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Lake Calumet - Waterfront Boat Launch - Burnham, IL
Director, PJ Porento 219 218-9501
Singles Membership \$20 ()
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April 17	\$75 ()	April 30	\$75 ()
May 22	\$75 ()	June 12	\$75 ()
July 17	\$75 ()	Aug. 7	\$75 ()
Oct. 16	Divisional Championship <u>must fish 5 events</u> \$75 ()		

Methods of Payment:

On Site Day of Event: Cash Only ()

By Mail : **Must be received 7 days prior to event:**

Check () Money Order () **Return Check Charge \$40.**

Make check or money order payable to: Anglers Dream

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ Phone _____

CITY, STATE _____ Zip _____

EMAIL _____

SIGNATURE _____

Results			
Bass	Alive	Big Bass	Weight

(For Directors Use Only)

1. Having read the official rules and regulations and completed the above entry form, I agree to abide by all the conditions stated therein. I also agree to assume all applicable taxes.
2. **LIABILITY RELEASE:** In signing this agreement, I hereby release Anglers Dream LLC., their agents, employees and sponsors from any and all damages, claims, demands, cost or expenses relating to injury of any persons or any property which we may sustain or which we may cause by reason of participating in or in connection with this tournament.
3. **VERIFICATION OF LIABILITY INSURANCE:** I further state that I maintain current liability insurance on the boat I use in these events.
4. I signify by our signatures above that I have read and understood the agreements numbered 1, 2, and 3 above.