

**2021 IBXHBA SUMMER BASS/SPECKLED TROUT
TOURNAMENT- REGISTRATION**

**Saturday, August 21st Runyon Creek, Washington
(in front of Back Water Jack's)**

Registration Deadline: Friday, August 20th

Boat Make/Length: _____

Angler 1

Name: _____

Contact Number: _____

Angler 2

Name: _____

Contact Number: _____

I, as entrant do hereby RELEASE, DISCHARGE, AND HOLD HARMLESS Inner Banks HBA, its officers, directors, staff and sponsors, whether individual or corporate, from any claim for damages to my person or property incurred by my participation in the fishing tournament. This release applies to members of my crew and all parties fishing from my boat.

By signing the entry form and paying my entry fee, I acknowledge that I have read this release and am bound by the same. This release shall also be binding on my heir, executors, administrator, or assigns.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

2021 Tournament Rules

1. Registration: All contestants must register, and have full entry fee paid prior to participating in the tournament. Each contestant must have a current NC fishing license and may be asked to provide it prior to any prize money being dispersed. Participants must not have been convicted for any hunting or fishing contest violations to be eligible to fish. Registration will be \$100 up until the date of the tournament. If you choose to register on site, the cost will be \$120.
2. Safety Equipment: Boats must have all required State and Coast Guard safety equipment on board.
3. Live Well Inspection: Tournament Officials will check all live wells prior to the start of the tournament.
4. Tournament Start: Blast off will be at safe light (per tournament director) with the order predetermined by order of paid registration.
5. Tournament End: Weigh-in will begin at 3 pm, all boats must be checked in at the ramp with tournament officials by this time. All teams must be checked in on time to avoid a penalty.
6. No Live Bait: Only artificial lures may be used in this tournament. Artificial scented trailers are permitted.
7. Gear Limitation: Only 1 active rod per person may be used to fish, including casting, drifting, or trolling.
8. Boat Assignment: You must return to weigh-in in the same boat you left in at the start of the tournament. You are not allowed to leave your boat without prior approval by the tournament committee.
9. Limits: There is a 5-fish limit of largemouth bass per team. Each of these largemouth bass must meet state regulations for length. In addition, there will be a Speckled Trout pot which will be paid to the largest Speckled Trout caught in the tournament. Any Speckled Trout kept by tournament competitors must meet NC Wildlife requirements for size. There will be prizes in EACH category, separately. There will NOT be a prize for cumulative weight between largemouth and Speckled Trout species. Each team is welcome to compete in each category or both. All culling must be done prior to weigh-in.

10. Weigh-in procedures: Each team must present his or her own catch to the weigh-in official. No other person shall then handle the fish except the weigh-in official. No person other than the weigh-in official may touch the scales, weight basket or any of the weigh-in equipment. All hardware (hooks, lures, jig heads, etc.) must be removed before weigh-in.
11. Short/Over Limit Fish Penalties: All fish brought to weigh-in must be of legal size determined by state law. Any short/oversized fish will be culled from your creel along with your largest fish as a penalty prior to recording your official weigh-in. Speckled Trout Inland rules only. Legal fish.
12. Dead or Mangled Fish: Fish that appear altered or show signs of being caught in a gill net will be left up to the director's discretion as to whether the fish will be weighed in or not. There will be a half pound penalty for any dead bass that are weighed in.
13. Late to Weigh-In: For the bass category there will be a deduction of 1 lb. per minute of your total weight for every minute that you are late to weigh-in. For the Speckled Trout category there will be a half inch deduction for every minute that you are late to weigh-in. If any team is 15 minutes late or more they will be automatically disqualified.
14. Ties: For largemouth category, in the event more than one team records the same amount of total weight, the tie breaker will be determined by the team that has the single largest fish by weight. For the Speckled Trout category, if more than one team records the same length Speckled Trout, the tiebreaker will be determined by the heaviest Speckled Trout in the tie.
15. Boundaries: All public waters navigable by boat (without refueling) are fair game, as long as your boat is checked in by the 3 pm weigh-in time. You will not be allowed to travel through or fish in any prohibited waters.
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