

# Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC Rules For 2026



**Mosquito Creek Bass Club, LLC**  
Effective January 1, 2026

**TBF CLUB #11681**

## **2026 Mosquito Creek Bass Club ANGLER PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT**

### **1. COMPLIANCE**

This Angler Participation Agreement and the 2026 Mosquito Creek Bass Club, LLC at Club Rules, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference, (the Participation Agreement and Official Rules collectively referred to herein as the "Agreement") sets forth the terms and conditions upon which I will be permitted to participate in any or all Mosquito Creek Bass Club Division Events during the 2026 calendar year. By signing this Agreement, the undersigned (referred to as "I", "Angler", "Co-Angler" or "Alternate Angler"), hereby agree to be bound by and comply with the provisions thereof. I also agree to abide by and comply with the Mosquito Creek Bass Club Angler Code of Conduct, and all other guidelines, regulations, payment schedules and instructions communicated to me in writing by Mosquito Creek Bass Club. I affirm that I am a member in good standing with Mosquito Creek Bass Club.

### **2. Mosquito Creek Bass Club, LLC**

2.1. I expressly assume all risks associated with my participation in the Club Division Events and for myself, my executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin, successors and assigns, I hereby waive, release and discharge Mosquito Creek Bass Club, LLC, its affiliates and subsidiaries, the hosts, sponsors and Tournament Directors ("Released Parties") from any and all losses, liabilities, claims, damages and expenses (including without limitation, attorney's fees and related costs), of any kind (hereinafter "Claims") arising out of or in connection with my participation in the Club Division Events, including but not limited to Claims involving, death, disability, personal injury and/or property damage. I hereby INDEMNIFY, HOLD HARMLESS, AND PROMISE NOT TO SUE the Released Parties for any and all Claims arising as a result of my participation in this Mosquito Creek Bass Club, LLC. I acknowledge that this Club may carry with it the potential for death, serious injury, illness and/or possible exposure to COVID-19 or other communicable diseases and personal loss. The risks may include, but are not limited to, those caused by water conditions, temperature, weather, equipment, actions of other people including, but not limited to, participants, volunteers, and spectators. This release of liability shall be construed broadly to provide a release and waiver to the maximum extent permissible under applicable law.

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2.2. I shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Released Parties against all Claims, whether or not a lawsuit or other proceeding is filed, to the extent that they arise out of: (1) my breach of the terms of this agreement, (2) gross negligence, or willful misconduct by me, my agents or those acting on my behalf; (3) my violation of any applicable law, ordinance, rule, or regulation including but not limited to all rules and guidelines applicable to Mosquito Creek Bass Club, LLC events; (4) breach of any warranty provided by me to Released Parties hereunder. I shall provide Mosquito Creek Bass Club, LLC with prompt notice of any claimant give complete control of its defense and settlement to Mosquito Creek Bass Club, LLC I shall cooperate in all reasonable respects with Mosquito Creek Bass Club, LLC, its insurance company, the Released Parties (as applicable) and their legal counsel in the defense of such claim. If I fail to promptly indemnify and defend a covered claim, The Released Parties shall have the right to defend themselves, and in such case, I shall promptly reimburse the Released Parties, for all of their associated costs and expenses.

## **3. GRANT OF RIGHTS**

3.1. I hereby irrevocably grant permission to Mosquito Creek Bass Club, LLC and its affiliates, the successors of each of the foregoing, and each of their respective agents, licensees, and assigns and those acting under the permission or upon their authority (collectively, the "Licensees"), in perpetuity, a worldwide, non-exclusive, royalty-free, fully paid up license to reproduce, display, exhibit, publish, broadcast, distribute, and otherwise use, and permit others to use, my name, image, nickname, initials, symbols, likeness, signature, photograph, voice, statements, biographical material, and any and all attributes of my personality and appearance (collectively, my "Identity") in materials created in connection with my participation in the Tournament Series (collectively, the "Materials"), alone or with other materials, in connection with the promotion of Mosquito Creek Bass Club, LLC, the Club Division Events and any other events staged by Mosquito Creek Bass Club, LLC, in any and all manner and media now known or hereafter devised including without limitation, in print, websites owned by or affiliated with the Licensees, on third-party websites in social media channels, in public relations materials and for any lawful purpose in it's sole discretion. During Club Division Events I agree to promptly and fully comply with all filming, camera location and other rules, guidelines and instructions of Mosquito Creek Bass Club, LLC.

3.2. I hereby warrant that I have the right to make this release and that my granting this release and the rights conveyed thereby will not infringe the rights of any third party. I represent and warrant that I have or shall obtain any rights and permissions from all third parties sponsoring or affiliated with me needed by Mosquito Creek Bass Club, LLC (the "Third Party Rights") to effectuate the grant of rights set forth in paragraph 3.1. These Third Party Rights from sponsors and affiliates shall grant Mosquito Creek Bass Club, LLC the right to utilize such third party logos, insignia, trade dress or other intellectual property (collectively "Third Party IP") shown in any Materials featuring me, or otherwise in connection with Mosquito Creek Bass Club, LLC's use of my Identity as set forth in paragraph 3.1. Provided that such Third Party IP is only shown in conjunction with my Identity, (for example, on apparel worn by me or on items used by me), Mosquito Creek Bass Club, LLC shall not be required to seek approvals from such Third Parties.

3.3. I acknowledge that the Licensees have no obligation to use the Materials or my Identity. I hereby waive any right that I may have to inspect or approve any finished

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product or the use to which it is applied and I agree no further approval is required for the Licensees to use any Materials or my Identity and that the Licensees will not be liable to me for any distortion or illusionary effect resulting from the exhibition, publication or broadcast of the Materials or my Identity. I acknowledge and agree that no further payment or consideration will be due to me for Mosquito Creek Bass Club, LLC's use of the Materials or my Identity as authorized herein.

- 3.4. I acknowledge that all right, title, and interest in and to the Materials, including without limitation all copyrights and trademark rights, shall be the sole and exclusive property of Mosquito Creek Bass Club and that Mosquito Creek Bass Club has the unlimited right throughout the universe to edit, modify, and otherwise use such Materials. With regard to the Licensees' exploitation of the rights granted hereunder, I, on behalf of myself and my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, hereby irrevocably (a) release, discharge and waive all claims, demands, losses and liabilities of any nature against the Licensees that I, my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns had, now have, or hereafter may have, including, but not limited to, claims in the nature of copyright infringement, defamation, disparagement, slander, false light, violation of the right of privacy or publicity, or the like, and (b) covenant not to make any claims against any of the Licensees.
- 3.5. During the Club Division Events, and subject to compliance with Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC guidelines, Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC hereby grants to the undersigned Angler, the right to create, use and publish Angler created materials ("Angler Materials") such as still photos and video shot by Angler, on Angler's website and social media channels. Angler may also live stream during a Club Division Event. Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC reserves the right to revoke this permission at any time if Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC in its discretion believes the content is inappropriate or in any way violates other Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC rules. Angler must remove such content within two (2) hours of notification.

## **4. INSURANCE**

I represent and warrant that I now have or will obtain prior to the tournament series, boat owners liability insurance (including coverage for third party property damage and bodily injury) with no "tournament exclusion," having a minimum limit of \$300,000 per occurrence. The insurance must be issued by a reputable insurer. Policy must include in state and out of state waters. I shall provide Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC with satisfactory evidence of that insurance prior to my participation in any Club Division Event or at any time requested by Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC.

## **5. LEGAL**

- 5.1. **Truth Verification Test:** By registering and signing the Participation Agreement, Angler agrees to submit to a truth verification test, at any time and abide by its conclusion.
- 5.2. **Communication:** Angler must provide Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC with a current e-mail address. Angler agrees that delivery of any notice, communication, guideline or instruction to Angler via email shall constitute notice to Angler and shall comply with any notice requirements set forth herein. Angler must also provide a personal cell number capable of receiving text messages from Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC.

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- 5.3. **Governing Law, Venue, and Jurisdiction:** This Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted in all respects in accordance with the substantive laws of the state of Ohio, without regard to its choice of law and/or conflicts of law principles. Angler irrevocably agrees that any disputes directly or indirectly arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be resolved exclusively in the state or federal courts located in Trumbull County, Ohio, and consents to such venue and to the exclusive jurisdiction of any such court over any such dispute.
- 5.4. **Miscellaneous:** If any provision of this Agreement is determined to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such determination shall in no way affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision herein. This Agreement sets forth the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous oral and/or written representations, discussions, negotiations, understandings, and/or agreements relating to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may not be modified except by an instrument in writing signed by both parties. In signing this document, I am not relying on any promises, representations or other statements that are not contained in this Agreement.
- 5.5. **Electronic Signature:** The execution of this document by electronic mail or by any other electronic or digital means shall be deemed to constitute effective execution of this document. Any signature transmitted by facsimile, email or other electronic or digital means shall be deemed an original signature for all purposes.

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## MOSQUITO CREEK BASS CLUB ANGLER PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

I UNDERSTAND I MUST SIGN AND DATE THIS AGREEMENT PRIOR TO PARTICIPATING IN THIS EVENT, AND THAT IF I AM UNDER THE AGE OF MAJORITY IN THE STATE IN WHICH I RESIDE, I MUST OBTAIN THE CONSENT OF A PARENT OR GUARDIAN TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT. MY REGISTRATION IS NOT COMPLETE UNTIL MOSQUITO CREEK BASS CLUB LLC ACKNOWLEDGES RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE OF THIS AGREEMENT, RECEIVES THE CONSENT OF MY PARENT OR GUARDIAN (IF APPLICABLE), AND ALL OTHER NECESSARY DOCUMENTS. THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR RESERVES THE RIGHT TO DENY MY PARTICIPATION IN THE TOURNAMENT SERIES OR ANY COMPONENT THEREOF FOR ANY REASON AND, UPON SUCH DENIAL, TO REFUND THE DEPOSIT OR ENTRY FEE.

I ATTEST HAVE READ AND HAVE UNDERSTOOD THIS THE PROVISIONS OF THIS AGREEMENT AND THE TOURNAMENT OFFICIAL RULES. I UNDERSTAND THAT BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT, WHICH CONTAINS LIABILITY AND OTHER RELEASE LANGUAGE, I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS. I HAVE VOLUNTARILY SIGNED THIS AGREEMENT.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

D.O.B. \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_ Division: Club \_\_\_ Trails \_\_\_ Both\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### **IF THE PERSON EXECUTING THE FOREGOING RELEASE IS A MINOR, THE FOLLOWING SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED BY MINOR'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN:**

I represent that I am a parent or legal guardian of the minor who has signed the above Agreement, and I hereby consent to the terms set forth herein and agree that we both shall be bound thereby. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS AGREEMENT CONTAINS LIABILITY AND OTHER RELEASE LANGUAGE. BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

D.O.B. \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_ Division: Club \_\_\_ Trails \_\_\_ Both\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Legal Guardian PRINT: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Legal Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Mosquito Creek Bass Club, OFFICIAL RULES

Effective January 1, 2024

**TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS:** President - Chuck Stein, Vice President - Joe Blatnik

### 1. RULES AND PENALTIES:

- 1.1. The following rules for the 2026 season will be interpreted solely by the tournament director(s). The Directors reserves the right to reject any entry if they feel that it is not in the best interest of **Mosquito Creek Bass Club**. Entry forms must be completely filled out and signed by every contestants. Any announcements made at the tournament site take precedent over written rules. In case of breakdown, or early departure from the tournament lake, the team doing so must contact a tournament director. Failure to do so will result in the loss of any points earned at that tournament.
- 1.2. If a team's boat is broke down or having mechanical issues on the water, they need to contact a tournament director before the end of the event. If the even ends at 3:00 pm, a director needs to be called before that. If the director receives a call at 3:01pm or later, then that team will be disqualification.
- 1.3. Please call **Chuck Stein (440) 221-5058** or **Joe Blatnik (440) 527-1633** to let them know.
- 1.4. Penalties for rules violations may include the following:
  - 1.4.1. Disqualification for the current event and depending on the severity could include disqualification for the entire season and vacate of AOY points.
- 1.5. **PROTEST:** All protests must be submitted in writing to a tournament director within five (5) minutes of the weigh-in completion. If you witness a contestant in violation of the rules please a take picture or video and present it to either Chuck Stein or Joe Blatnik. All protest will be handle in a timely and fair manner within discretion. The more proof you have for your claim will assist in rendering a decision.

### 2. PARTICIPANTS AND ELIGIBILITY:

- 2.1. All individuals, 18 years of age or older with a paid entry fee and a current paid membership of **Mosquito Creek Bass Club** is eligible to fish. A parent or legal guardian must accompany any one under 18 years of age or with written parental consent. There are open events. Team will consist of one (1) person per boat or two (2) people per boat.
- 2.2. All members will have to pay the Standard MCBC Annual Membership Fee of \$40.00. MCBC is now affiliated with TBF (The Bass Federation) and MCBC members can purchase the option TBF membership of \$80. TBF annual due is distributed in the following manner, \$30 goes to TBF State Federation, \$50 to TBF National Federation. This membership is for any angler competing in the Club Division or Trails Division and wishes to participate in any of the TBF Tournaments.
  - 2.2.1. The Standard MCBC Annual Membership is required for all anglers, co-anglers and alternates that are competing in the Club Division.
  - 2.2.2. A team consists of an Angler (Boat Owner), Co-Angler and one (1) alternate. Alternates need to be members of **Mosquito Creek Bass Club** and pay the same annual \$40.00 membership fee in order to qualify as an alternate.
- 2.3. A team in the Club Division and or Trails Division may use one (1) alternate during regular season events in order for the alternate to qualify for the Championship.

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- 2.4.A team's alternate **has** to fish at least one (1) Club Division Event with the Angler or Co-Angler in order to be eligible to fish the championship event.
- 2.5.The Angler or Co-Angler (team members) may fish an event solo if one of them and their alternate are not available.
- 2.6.If the Angler or Co-Angler are not available to fish, ***The Alternate cannot fish solo!***
  - 2.6.1.The team would have to take a drop and not participate in the event! (See Drop Rule.)
- 2.7.A Team's Alternate can pay their \$40 membership fee the day of a Club Division Event along with their portion of the entrance fee for that Club Division Event.
  - 2.7.1.The Alternate has to fish at least one (1) Club Division Event prior the Championship Tournament (excludes Opens), if an alternate doesn't fish a Club Division Event the alternate will not be qualified to fish the Championship Tournament!
  - 2.7.2.***An Alternate cannot be on more than one team!***
  - 2.7.3. Alternate doesn't need to be previously declared prior to them participating in a Club Division Event.
- 2.8. TRAILS Division

## **3. ANGLER CODE OF CONDUCT:**

- 3.1.**Courtesy and Sportsmanship is required at all times!**
- 3.2.Anglers participating in any Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC sanctioned event shall observe this code of conduct and the applicable rules for the specific event in which they are participating. Anglers shall, at all times, conduct themselves in a manner becoming professional anglers that will not reflect unfavorably on Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC, its members, officers or representatives, tournaments, or sponsors. To this end, anglers, coaches, advisors, parents, and family members shall use their best efforts to demonstrate professionalism and integrity in support of the sport of professional fishing. Any anglers, coaches, advisors, parents and family who violate any of the provisions of the Angler Code of Conduct may be subject to fines, reduction of points, forfeiture of tournament winnings, suspension from competing in individual Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC sanctioned events, permanent ban from competition, or any combination thereof deemed appropriate by Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC.
- 3.3.Anglers are frequently in the public eye and are considered role models; therefore, it is imperative that tournament competitors demonstrate good sportsmanship in fishing. Sportsmanship is defined as fair play, respect for opponents, and polite behavior while competing in the sport.
- 3.4.Following are examples of unacceptable behavior by competitors or on behalf of competitors in Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC events that will be cause for penalties as outlined in this document.
  - 3.4.1.Heated public disagreements with Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC officials, other competitors, fans, and volunteers during an event.
  - 3.4.2.Public attacks through media, including social media, upon the integrity of Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC rules or officials.
  - 3.4.3.Public comments that an angler knows, or should reasonably know, will harm the reputation of Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC, Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC officials, or its sponsors

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- 3.4.4. Displays of anger and displeasure for reasons related to fishing competitions where members of the public, including other anglers, spectators, and the media, are present.
- 3.4.5. Publicly questioning or criticizing a tournament official or official decision, ruling, or penalty except through the proper channels.
- 3.4.6. Abuse (physical, verbal, threatening, or slanderous) of Tournament directors, volunteers, fellow competitors, or others connected with a Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC event including comments on social media.
- 3.4.7. Offensive or slanderous comments with racial, cultural, or sexual overtones regarding event officials, event personnel, or fellow anglers.
- 3.4.8. Intentionally interfering with an angler's ability to compete.
- 3.5. Any disqualification, suspension, or other disciplinary action imposed by any tournament or fishing organization may result in disqualification from competition and from participation in a Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC tournament.
- 3.6. MEDIA COMMENTS, PUBLIC ATTACKS: The favorable public reputation of Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC as a sanctioning organization in the sport of fishing, the integrity of its officials, and the reputation of its media properties are valuable assets and tangible benefits for Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC Accordingly, it is an obligation of competitors to refrain from comments to the news media that unreasonably attack or disparage the integrity of tournaments, Tournament directors, sponsors, fellow members, fellow anglers or the Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC organization. Competitors are encouraged to express themselves and have the right to question the rules officials. Responsible expressions of legitimate disagreement with Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC policies are encouraged as opposed to attacks upon the integrity of the rules or officials. However, public comments that an angler knows, or should reasonably know, will harm the reputation of Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC, Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC officials, or sponsors shall be considered conduct unbecoming a professional and may result in disciplinary action.

## **4. PRACTICE AND COMPETITION:**

- 4.1. **TRAILS DIVISION ONLY: There will be *No Practice 24 hours before an event!* - *This means no lake access at all!***
- 4.2. During the official competition days of the tournament a competitor may not make cell calls for the purpose of locating or catching fish on tournament waters. Cell phones may be used for emergency situations. Competitors are allowed to use smartphones for global maps, weather, notes, Mosquito Creek Bass Club, LLC updates, etc., however using smartphones during competition to log into daily tournament blogs or participate in social media is not permitted.
- 4.3. A designated tournament official must be granted access to the competitor's boat at any time during the official practice or competition days. Failure to grant such access may result in immediate disqualification.
- 4.4. Each competitor agrees to report to the Tournament Director immediately any violation or infraction of any tournament rules. Failure to report violations, suggestions to another competitor that they violate these rules or false verification of weigh-in forms may be cause for disqualification. Official protests must be filed in accordance with ("1. Rules and Penalties" section 1.5). All parties of interest will be provided a copy.
- 4.5. By his/her signature on the official tournament entry form, each competitor agrees to submit to a truth verification test and abide by its conclusion should he/she be

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accused of any rule violation. The Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC Tournament Director, rules committee, or such person designated by the Tournament Director, shall have the discretion to determine the need for a truth verification test. The Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC Tournament Director or his/her designee shall be responsible for selecting an independent expert to administer and interpret the results and establishing, in consultation with the expert administrator, the scope of the questions that may be asked during the test. The Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC Tournament Director or his/her designee shall have sole responsibility for selecting the location, date, and time of the test nearest Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC headquarters with respect to all concerned parties schedule and travel costs. The competitor shall make himself/herself available at the location selected by the Tournament Director and shall cooperate in all respects with such test. Anglers taking a truth verification test may be responsible for any and all costs incurred. Random truth verification tests may be administered on-site during the course of a Mosquito Creek Bass Club, LLC Event.

## **5. REGISTRATION/CHECK-IN:**

- 5.1.A pre-meeting will take place on the water approximately ten (10) minutes prior to the official start. Check-In times are one hour before the event starts.
- 5.2.**ONE TEAM MEMBER MUST CHECK IN THE MORNING OF TOURNAMENT!**
- 5.3.**IF A TEAM FAILS TO CHECK-IN THEY WILL BE SUBJECT TO DISQUALIFICATION FOR THAT EVENT.**
- 5.4.We will not accept anyone after (15 mins) before the actual start time of the event.
- 5.5.If a team has mechanic problems on the way to the lake, they need to call one of the directors to let them know of their arrival.
- 5.6.Call **Chuck Stein (440) 221-5058** or **Joe Blatnik (440) 527-1633** to let them know you will be late and once you arrive.
- 5.7.Once you arrive you would need to check in on the water with a tournament director or call and let us know you are here and fishing.
- 5.8.If you are late to check-in with no call in advance to a director, you will not be permitted to participate. So you will have to take a drop.
- 5.9.Off limits areas announced the morning of the Club Division Event/Tournament.
  - 5.9.1.At Mosquito Lake, the off limit area is the State Park Boat Ramp Area inside the break wall.
  - 5.9.2.If there are any questions during an event, please contact a director via phone.

## **6. DROPS - CLUB DIVISION ONLY:**

- 6.1.If a team cannot make a Club Division Event they can take a drop. They have to notify the President or Vice President that their team will not be competing in the Club Division Event.
- 6.2.The team will receive 50% of the point value of the last team that weighed in for that Club Division Event. So, if the last team that weighed in got 30 points, they would receive 15 points for taking the Drop.
  - 6.2.1.*Example: If last place team that weights a fish got 30 points then your team would get 15 points.*
- 6.3.If the team takes more than 2 drops they will not receive points and will not qualify for the championship!
- 6.4.If a team needs to take a **3<sup>rd</sup> Drop**, they will not be award the 50% point value for the AOY point race. But they can pay the entry fee for that event and still **Be Qualified** for the Club Championship!

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6.5.If a competitor has mechanical issues with their boat or trolling motor and they are not sure if the issue is fixed, they can put their boat in the water and check to see if the issue is fixed prior to launch. If the issue is not resolved or if an issue arises prior to official launch and prevents them from competing, they must notify a tournament director and remove themselves from competition of the event prior to official launch the director will then remove them from competing and refund their entry fee. IF A DIRECTOR IS NOT NOTIFIED, there will be no refund of entry fee. Also, AFTER OFFICIAL LAUNCH, there will NOT BE A REFUND of entry fee.

6.6. **Directors will take extreme circumstances under advisement for final determination.**

6.7. **THIS RULE DOES NOT APPLY TO THE TRAILS DIVISION!**

## **7. SAFETY:**

7.1.Safe boat conduct must be observed at all times by competitors. During the official competition, each competitor 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 condition until the combustion engine is out of gear or shut off. Inflatable life vest indicators should be checked daily. Violation of this rule may be the reason for disqualification.

7.2.When boating in low visibility situations i.e. fog, or heavy rain, during competition, competitors must operate their boats at a safe speed and in a safe manner as determined by Tournament directors.

7.3.It is suggested the Boater have a safety check with their partner each day prior to launch to familiarize the location of all safety equipment.

7.4.Tournament directors have the right to delay, shorten, or cancel the start of an official tournament day because of bad weather or other factors that would endanger the safety of the competitors. Tournament waters may also be restricted at any time because of bad weather.

7.5.The outboard kill switch must be used any time the boats big motor is running at above an idle.

## **8. SPORTSMANSHIP:**

8.1.Competitors in Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC 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.

8.2.Maximum courtesy must be practiced at all times, especially with regard to boating and angling on tournament waters. Any act of a competitor, which reflects unfavorably upon efforts to promote fisheries conservation, clean waters and courtesy, may be reason for disqualification.

8.3.Anglers must be courtesy to other anglers and cannot be any closer than 100ft of another boat!

8.4.Use of alcohol or the use of drugs (other than those purchased over-the-counter or prescribed by a licensed physician) by any competitor, during the tournament, will not be tolerated and shall be cause for automatic disqualification from this and all future Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC tournaments. No alcoholic beverages, other non-prescription stimulants or depressants shall be allowed in the boats during the official competition days, or when in the weigh-in area.

8.5.All competitors are bound by the prevailing statutes and regulations of the various states in which they fish. Some regulations may differ from these rules resulting in fines, citations or other penalties at the discretion of law enforcement and may or may not result in tournament penalties. Competitors are responsible for research of fishing and boating regulations. In both official practice and competition,

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competitors are required to have all licenses and permits on the tournament waters in which they fish.

- 8.6. Chemical substance addiction or abuse, conviction of a felony or other crimes involving moral turpitude, or other conduct reflecting unfavorably upon efforts to promote safety, sportsmanship, fair competition and compliance with tournament rules, shall be grounds for rejecting any application for participation and/or for disqualification after circumstances are reviewed by the Tournament Director. Any disqualification, suspension from, or other disciplinary action regarding any tournament or fishing organization, shall be grounds for rejecting any application for participation in a Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC tournament, and/or disqualification from a Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC tournament after circumstances are reviewed by the Tournament Director. Code of Conduct violations will expire 5 years from the violation date.

## **9. TACKLE AND EQUIPMENT:**

- 9.1. A lure is defined as a single manmade device designed to attract and/or catch one fish at a time. Adding trailer hooks, plastic trailers, blades, etc., to a single lure is acceptable. The use of braid or other lines to attach one stringer hook (single or treble) is allowed but cannot be over 2 inches in length. If multiple fish are caught on a single manmade lure, on a single cast, all fish are considered legal and may be added to the daily catch subject to Section 17 ("Scoring")
- 9.2. An umbrella-type rigging, harness, or other device designed to hold more than one lure at a time – with or without hooks – is allowed. The umbrella rig can have no more than 3 hooks.
- 9.3. No "live bait," "dead bait," or "prepared bait" will be permitted during official practice and competition, with the exception of pork strips or rinds.
- 9.4. Twin arm spinnerbaits, twin arm under spins, and twin buzz baits are allowed. Trailer hooks and plastic trailers of twin arm baits must be on the main hook of the bait; only spinner blades can be affixed to the arms. The head on the main stem may be hinged. On twin arm spinnerbaits, under spins, and buzz baits, no more than two wires, with a maximum length of 6 inches, may extend off the main arm or body of the lure at the head or the line tie point. The bend of the main hook must be even with or trail behind where blades attach to the wires. Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC officials have the sole authority to determine whether a lure is considered a single lure as defined above.
- 9.5. Only ONE casting, spin casting, or spinning rod (10-foot maximum length from butt of handle to rod tip) and reel may be used at any one time. A hung or snagged lure that is not in or on the water is not considered in use and may be set aside while another is in use. Other rigs as specified above may be in the boat ready for use; however, only ONE is permitted in use at any given time. If a competitor breaks their line while setting the hook or retrieving a fish, they are allowed to make an attempt with the rod being used or with their hands to secure the visible line and land the fish for it to be counted as legal. You may NOT hook the line with another lure, rod, reel, or other device.
- 9.6. No competitor may intentionally snag or foul-hook a bass to be counted in their daily catch. Anyone guilty of intentionally snatching or snagging visible fish will have his catch disqualified. When visually fishing for bedding bass, to be counted as a

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legal fish, each bass must be hooked inside the mouth and must be verified by the assigned partner or other observer before being unhooked. With the fish's mouth closed naturally, you must not be able to see where the hook point enters the fish for it to be considered hooked inside the mouth. Any fish hooked in the mouth where the hook did not enter through the mouth, but entered through the gills must be released.

9.7. The use of ice in a live well as a cooling agent in hot weather is permitted.

## **10. HORSEPOWER REGULATIONS:**

10.1. Maximum horsepower for all outboard motorboats used in official tournament competition will be 300 HP. Horsepower cannot exceed the limitations set by the U.S. Coast Guard. When required, each boat must have a U.S. Coast Guard horsepower-rating plate attached to the boat by the manufacturer. The horsepower of the outboard engine must NOT exceed the rating specified on this plate nor the horsepower maximum set by Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC. Each competitor agrees to submit, by their signature on the official entry form, the boat and outboard motor used in the tournament, to an inspection by a tournament director, if there is reason to suspect the horsepower is in excess of the rating. Normal maintenance of engines is allowed. Falsifying information on entry forms, or altering the horsepower-rating numbers on the engine, is also cause for immediate disqualification from Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC tournaments. Posted speed limits and those imposed by Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC must be observed and all boats must be operated in a safe manner. Violations of speed limits shall result in loss of competition hours and not limited to disqualification.

## **11. BOAT AND MOTOR:**

11.1. These restrictions apply during official competition. For the safety of all competitors, all boats must be equipped with an approved type of operable ignition kill switch and lanyard. Only one manufacturer's lanyard may be used and must be attached to the driver's body any time the combustion engine is operating and in gear. Any time the combustion engine is operating and in gear there must be a driver in the driver's seat in full control of the boat, and all competitors must be seated with their feet on the floor of the vessel. Fishing boats that are 16 feet or more in length may be used and must be equipped with wheel steering. No other steering device will be permitted. Any raised platforms or decks cannot be higher than the gunnels of the boat. Standing on the outboard engine or seats while fishing is not allowed. Trolling motor brackets and electronics are not considered "raised platforms". An electric trolling motor may be used for slow maneuvering. However, trolling as a method of fishing is prohibited. The "Long-Lining" or "Strolling" technique is NOT allowed in either practice or competition and defined as intentionally using a trolling motor or outboard to mechanically extend a cast. **No exceptions.**

11.2. All bladder tanks and any other type of auxiliary gas tanks that are not installed by the boat manufacturer are prohibited. Additional gas tanks that are factory options and installed by a manufacturer's authorized dealer are permitted. Boats that do not have factory-installed gas tanks are restricted to a maximum of 18 gallons of gasoline in tanks that meet U.S. Coast Guard regulations. Gas tanks must be properly secured or strapped in a boat. No portable gas tanks or containers capable

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of holding gasoline can be placed anywhere on the tournament waters or shoreline for use by any tournament competitor.

11.3.No “barges” or similar craft will be permitted. No boat equipped with “stick steering” shall be permitted. “Stick steering” shall be as defined by the Tournament Director. Jet drive engines, and surface drive engines and tunnel hull boats are not allowed during both official practice and competition. Any boat/hull designs other than standard mass produced units are only allowed at the discretion of Tournament directors.

## **12. BASIC BOAT EQUIPMENT:**

12.1.During official competition, every boat must have all required Coast Guard safety equipment and a functional bilge pump. During official competition, every boat must have live-well space, properly aerated, to adequately maintain alive, a limit catch of bass by both competitors using the boat. Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC recommends live-wells be maintained at full level and aerators/re-circulators on manual. Tournament directors shall have the sole responsibility for determining whether aeration and capacity is proper and adequate.

## **13. BOAT IDENTIFICATION:**

13.1.Each tournament, each boat will be given a number, which must remain with the boat. This number must be displayed upon the request of Tournament directors, and at each check-in.

## **14. PERMITTED FISHING LOCATIONS:**

14.1.Tournament waters shall be established by the Tournament Director for each tournament. Each competitor must obtain this information from the Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC Tournament Department. Any water within these boundaries that are legally and obviously posted “Off-Limits” or “No Fishing,” as well as the live-bass-release area established by the Tournament Director, will be off-limits to tournament competitors and will be announced at the Tournament Briefing. Only that water open to all public fishing will be considered tournament waters. Waters deemed off-limits by authorities or Tournament directors should be treated like a wall. No boats or casting behind that boundary while fishing. All angling must be done from the boat. In states where landowners have the legal authority to claim private property, these areas must be posted or they will be considered tournament waters unless instructed otherwise by Tournament directors at any time during the event. If forced to leave, a competitor must report the incident to Tournament directors as soon as possible. Any water to which a competitor is barred access becomes off-limits to all competitors.

14.2.Tournament directors reserve the right to restrict or enhance tournament waters based on conversations with local authorities. Competitors are not allowed to cut, remove, displace, or engage in any type of structure removal from private property (dry land) during off-limits, official practice, or competition. Moving structures to include sawing of logs or other obstructions in the water is only allowed if laws permit. No competitor may place any object that may impede or cause danger to boaters.

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## **15. COMPETITORS MUST REMAIN IN BOAT:**

- 15.1. During the competition days, competitors must not depart the boat to land fish or to make the boat more accessible to fishing waters. You are not allowed to use a winch, pulley, come along, cable, rope, or similar device/ tools to gain access to tournament waters.
- 15.2. Competitors may not shift a majority of their weight outside the boat and onto a dock or other object outside the boat for the purpose of landing a bass or accessing a fishing spot. While keeping the majority of weight in the boat anglers are allowed for boat protection to push off or shove off objects while landing a fish to counted as legal.
- 15.3. Boats must remain in tournament waters during tournament hours. Competitors must leave from and return to official checkpoints by boat. Both competitors must remain in the boat at all times, except in case of dire emergency, or with permission from the Tournament Director. Exceptions spelled out in this Paragraph and Section 7 ("Safety"), and 18 ("Catch and Release"). In such an emergency, or with permission of the Tournament Director, competitors may be removed from their boat, either to a boat operated by other competitors, or a rescue boat designated by the Tournament Director.
- 15.4. Partners must remain together at all times, in sight of each other and each other's catch, under the conditions cited above, in order for their catch of that day to be scored in the tournament.
- 15.5. In breakdown situations and with a tournament official's permission, Co-anglers may transfer their boat's (Angler's and Co-angler's) fish to another competitor's boat and ride to check in, and they may leave their Angler with the disabled boat. In such cases, the co-angler must stay with their catches at all times and assisting boat's partners should verify the catch. Any team whose boat is disabled and rides with another competitor or rescue boat to weigh in is not allowed to fish.
  - 15.5.1. In a case of breakdown, there must be a call to a Director in order to be aware of the situation and to advise and approve the safe return of the team and their catch to the weigh-in.
- 15.6. In the event of a needed restroom break or refueling situation at a marina gas pump, partners are allowed to leave the boat.
- 15.7. Competitors are allowed to leave the boat to retrieve a lure. All fishing by that competitor must cease until back in the boat before making another cast.

## **16. OFFICIAL CHECKPOINTS:**

- 16.1. There shall be only one official checkpoint for check-out in the morning, and one official check-in point in the afternoon, which points shall be designated at the tournament briefing. Failure to go through boat check and check-out in the morning or failure to check in may result in disqualification. At the time of check-out, all competitors and their boats shall be in full conformity with all rules set forth by the Directors. At check-in, all boats shall identify themselves by means of the numbers described in Section 13 ("Boat Identification") and proceed immediately to the designated weigh-in area.

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## 17. SCORING:

- 17.1. Largemouth, small mouth, and spotted bass will be scored, five (5) fish limit, lake rules apply.
- 17.2. Any frozen or iced fish presented for weigh in will result in immediate disqualification.
- 17.3. All fish must measure 12-inches (unless state laws say other wise), short fish will result in a half (½) pound penalty plus the loss of the fish.
- 17.4. The dead fish penalty will be one (1) pound penalty per fish. No more than five (5) fish are allowed in live well (in possession) at any time, 6<sup>th</sup> fish must be culled before returning to fishing.
- 17.5. Anyone bringing more than five (5) fish to the weigh-in scale will not be allowed to weigh in ANY fish and Disqualified.
- 17.6. Courtesy bumping will NOT be allowed at the official weigh station.
- 17.7. Once fish are turned over to the weigh-in officials, contestants cannot touch ANY fish again except to choose the big fish for weigh in for Big Bass.
- 17.8. Angler can only select one and only one fish to be weighed in for Big Bass.
- 17.9. **The Weigh-in Officials will NOT weigh more than one fish for BIG BASS!**
- 17.10. Manmade or foreign object(s) connected to a bass, outside of natural causes will not be weighed and shall be removed by Tournament directors.
- 17.11. Competitors are not allowed to replace anything attached to a bass or regurgitated by a bass to be included as a part of their catch.
- 17.12. Any bass that appears to have been mangled, mashed, mauled or otherwise altered will be weighed and credited only at the discretion of Tournament directors.
- 17.13. Bass **must not** be on a stringer at any time during the tournament. Culling tags or clips are allowed. Specially designed bags which increase survival rate will be furnished by the Tournament Director and must be used for the weigh-in.
- 17.14. **All State and local laws will be respected, observed, obeyed and enforced.**

## 18. CATCH AND RELEASE:

- 18.1. **CULLING OF DEAD BASS IS PROHIBITED.** For each legal dead bass presented to weigh in officials, the competitor shall be penalized one (1) pound to be deducted from their daily score The Tournament Director, or his/her designees, shall have sole authority for assessing penalty points. In addition, the Tournament Director, or his/her designees, may reduce tournament hours or tournament limits for fish care purposes.
- 18.2. It is suggested in warm weather tournaments anglers keep extra ice for fish care. Competitors are allowed to purchase ice on the water. Competitors are allowed to obtain ice and other items for fish care from contestants and/or non-competitors.
- 18.3. The verification table will open one hour prior to the check-in time of the first flight. Anglers may be allowed to weigh-in early with permission from the Tournament Director.
- 18.4. Placing bass on the boat carpet during culling is not an advised practice.
- 18.5. Only non-penetrating culling clips and culling beams are allowed for use. Any clip or device that penetrates or is designed to penetrate the skin or mouth of a fish is

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not allowed. Any clip of device that penetrates or is designed to penetrate the skin or mouth of a fish is not allowed.

18.6. Proper fizzing technique is suggested when needed. For instructions on acceptable fizzing practices please contact Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC officials.

## **19. LATE PENALTY:**

19.1. If a team's boat is broke down or having mechanical issues on the water, they need to contact a tournament director before the end of the event. If the even ends at 3:00 pm, a director needs to be called before that. If the director receives a call at 3:01pm or later, then that team will be disqualification.

## **20. A.O.Y. TEAM OF YEAR POINT SYSTEM - CLUB Division and TRAILS Division:**

20.1. There is an A.O.Y. Point Race for the **CLUB Division**. The A.O.Y. Points Champion will be decided on all seven (7) Club Division Events. The team with the most points in the Club Division Events will be crowned Points Champion. The A.O.Y. Points Champion Team will have all Club Division Event Entry Fees paid for the following year.

20.2. There is an A.O.Y. Point Race for the TRAILS Division. The A.O.Y. Points Champion will be decided on all four (4) TRAILS Division Qualifiers. The A.O.Y. Points Champion Team will have all TRAILS Division Qualifier Entry Fees paid for the following year.

20.3. Mosquito Creek Bass Club Division Events will award points to a "team" or "boat" competing based on the field size of that tournament. 50 points will be awarded to first place and each place below will decrease at a rate 1 point per place.

20.3.1. Example: 1st Place 50 Points 2nd Place 49 Points 3rd Place 48 Points

20.4. Mosquito Creek Bass Club TRAILS Division Qualifiers will award points to a "team" or "boat" competing based on the field size of that tournament. 100 points will be awarded to first place and each place below will decrease at a rate 1 point per place.

20.4.1. Example: 1st Place 100 Points 2nd Place 99 Points 3rd Place 98 Points

20.5. **CLUB DIVISION** and **TRAILS DIVISION** Team Angler or Co-Angler use there designated Alternate during the regular season qualifying events, those points awarded during that Club Division Events or TRAILS Division Qualifiers will be awarded to the "team" or "boat".

20.6. **TRAILS Division** Teams must weigh a legal bass during competition to receive points. In the case where one or more teams do not weigh a legal bass, points will end at the place of teams weighing a legal bass.

20.7. **Club Division** Teams that fished but did not catch a score-able bass will receive 1 (one) point less than the last place team that weighed in. So, if the last place team weighed in got 35 points for 15th place, the team(s) that did not catch a score-able fish will receive 34 points.

20.7.1. **Club Division** Teams taking a Drop will still receive 50% of the last placed weighed in points. So, if 15th place is the last place weighed in, the team(s) taking drop would receive will receive 17.5 points. This rule remains the same.

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20.7.2. **Club Division ONLY** Teams taking mechanical DROP prior to official launch will receive 50% of the last placed weighed in points. So, if 15th place is the last place weighed in, the team(s) taking drop would receive will receive 17.5 points.

20.8. **Tie Breaker:** In the case of a tie for AOY Points Race Championship, the tie breaker will be based on (1<sup>st</sup>) Total Season Weight for the Club Division Events, If a tie still remains then it will be based on the teams (2<sup>nd</sup>) Biggest Bass of the season in the Club Division Events.

20.9. Teams that are fishing the **CLUB Division** and in attendance for the Rules Meeting on Feb 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026 will receive 10 points to start the season!

## **21. CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFICATION:**

21.1. To be eligible to qualify for the CLUB DIVISION Championship, a team cannot miss more than two (2) Club Division Events during the year. The CLUB DIVISION Championship is after the conclusion of the regular season and the A.O.Y. Points Race is complete.

21.2. To be eligible to qualify for the TRAILS DIVISION Championship, a team has to fish 2 out the (4) Qualifying events during the year. The TRAILS DIVISION Championship is after the conclusion of the regular season and the A.O.Y. Points Race is complete.

## **22. TIES:**

22.1. All ties will be broken by (1.) Big Bass and (2.) Most fish weighed in.

22.1.1. If there is still a tie, then both teams will tie for the higher place and will split that place money equally.

22.1.2. Like wise both teams will be award the same points for the tied position.

22.1.2.1. The tournament scale is very accurate and goes to two place decimal, ie. 5.10 lbs. and this should not be an issue.

## **23. SCHEDULE:**

23.1. Club Division Event is a regular season event for club members only. Opens are events that are open to the public. Opens do not qualify for club points or alternate qualification. The 2 Day Championship is for team members that did not miss more than two (2) Club Division Events.

## **24. PAYBACKS:**

24.1. **Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC** will determine payout places and amounts per event maybe adjusted based on the number of attendance. The ultimate goal (Not Guaranteed) is to payout 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> place and BigBass. There will 80% of entry fees paid out at each event with the remains 20% going toward the Championship.

## **25. CLUB DIVISION ENTRY FEE:**

25.1. Entry fees are \$100.00 per team. No refunds unless cancellation by the directors. There will be a yearly membership fee of \$40.00 per person.

## **26. TRAILS DIVISION ENTRY FEE:**

26.1. A **FULL SEASON DISCOUNT** (saving \$250!) of \$1750, (all 4 26' Qualifiers & two day championship) are accepted up to April 18, 2026. The prepay for the season is \$1500.00 plus the annual members of \$100.00 for Angler and Co-Angler.

**Discounted Full Season teams will be assigned Team Number based on the**

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order in which the paid entries are received. The day of each Qualifying event and Championship days teams will be assigned random generated draw for Boat Numbers through a system process for takeoff boat position. Single event online or mailed entries are accepted no later than SEVEN calendar days prior to any Qualifying Event. **ONLINE** registration is available FOR SINGLE EVENT ENTRIES ONLY. ALL SINGLE EVENT REGISTERS WILL **BEGIN APRIL 1, 2026**. Mailed entries \$250. Online credit card entries \$250. Ramp pays accepted day of event cash only \$300. Ramp pays will be assigned position at the end of the field. All single prepaids will be part of the random generated draw.

26.2.FULL SEASON DISCOUNTS CAN BE RECEIVED EITHER BY PAYING ONLINE AT [www.mcbcoho.com](http://www.mcbcoho.com) or Mailed to 3382 Kinsman Rd NW, N. Bloomfield, OH 44450.

## **27. RULES VIOLATIONS AND APPEALS COMMITTEE:**

27.1.All protests must be submitted in writing to a tournament director within five (5) minutes of the weigh-in completion. If you witness a contestant in violation of the rules please take a picture or video and present it to either Chuck Stein or Joe Blatnik.

27.2.All protest will be handle in a timely and fair manner within discretion. The more proof you have for your claim will assist in rendering a decision.

27.3.An appeal can be made and the tournament directors will take all information into consideration in order to make a final determination.

## **28. DIRECTOR'S DISCRETION:**

28.1.Tournament Directors have the right to change or cancel the event after lengthy delay due to dangerous conditions. Tournament Directors have the right to change the lake location do to weather or lake conditions. This discretion is to ensure the safety of club members.

28.2.Tournament Directors reserve the right to refuse entries from teams known to practice dishonest methods.

28.3.Tournament Directors reserve the right to interpret or amend rules and regulations when necessary.

28.4.Tournament Directors have the responsibility to report extreme violations of state and local law to proper authorities.

28.5.Any rules, interpretation of the rules, or rules not covered under the above guidelines will be governed by tournament directors only and those decisions will be binding. Binding decisions of officials are final and not subject to formal appeal.

## **29. WAIVER AND RELEASE:**

29.1.As a condition of participation in each tournament, each competitor must execute a waiver and release of liability, and a name and likeness release and consent to the use of an electronic or digital signature in the execution thereof.

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## MOSQUITO CREEK BASS CLUB OFFICIAL RULES ACKNOWLEDGMENT

KNOWLEDGE OF THESE RULES IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH CONTESTANT.  
Failure to read these rules or ignorance of them is no excuse.

Circle One: ANGLER / CO-ANGLER / ALTERNATE

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

D.O.B. \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_ Division: Club \_\_\_ Trails \_\_\_ Both \_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

\*With full acknowledgement of the tournament rules and regulations of the Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC we \*(participants listed above) agree to abide by all the stated conditions and the final judgement of the Tournament directors.

\*We \* knowingly release forever the Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC, tournament sponsors and all other subjects from any responsibilities, costs or expenses, or for any damages or injuries incurred while traveling to, from, and participation in this event

\*We \* have and will maintain adequate liability insurance on the boat which is used in this tournament

\*By signing above, we \*, the above team confirm that we have read and completely understand the rules and regulations

\*We \* waive the right to sue due to any negative publicity resulting from any official actions

\*We \* release the rights to any photos taken the day of the event and acknowledge these photos may be used in a manner by Mosquito Creek Bass Club LLC with or without identification of the subjects

\*We \* freely participate with the understanding of the inherent risk of such events and will not hold any of the above mentioned individuals/sponsors or groups, responsible for the events liable

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## **Rules Amendment History:**

### *Rules Amended or Changed on March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 by President and Vice President*

1. Section 2.1 - The section already states that "A parent or legal guardian must accompany any one under 18 years of age or with written parental consent." Added Parental Agreement Minor Waiver to bottom half of the Angler Participation Agreement. - JB
2. Section 2.7.3 - Removed the declaration of the Alternate by the start of the third Club Division Event in writing or email to a Director. Changed to: Alternate doesn't need to be previously declared prior to them participating in a Club Division Event. - JB
3. Section 6.4 - Changed to cover a 3<sup>rd</sup> Drop scenario and the previous 6.4 is now 6.5. - JB
4. Section 10.1 - Changed Horsepower from 250 HP to 300 HP - JB
5. Sections 17.3, 17.4, 18.1 - Changed to remove conflicting info for dead fish penalty and short fish penalty. - JB
6. Section 15.6 - Was changed to: "In the event of a needed restroom break or refueling situation at a marina gas pump, partners are allowed to leave the boat." Change was made for clarification. - JB
7. Section 20.7 - Added Tie Breaker for AOY Points Race Championship. - JB

### *Rules Amended or Changed on Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025 by President and Vice President*

1. Added TBF Logo and TBF Club number at the top of the document - JB
2. Section 6 Title changed from Drops/Throws to DROPS - CLUB DIVISION ONLY: - JB
3. Added Section 20.9 Teams that are fishing the CLUB Division and in attendance for the Rules Meeting on Feb 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026 will receive 10 points to start the season. - JB
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8. Added and moved previous 6.5 to Section 6.6 **Directors will take extreme circumstances under advisement for final determination.** - JB
9. Added to DROP Section 6.7 **THIS RULE DOES NOT APPLY TO THE TRAILS DIVISION!** - JB
10. Previous 2.2 changed to 2.2.1 - JB
11. Added new 2.2.1 This annual membership is required for all anglers, co-anglers and alternates that are competing in the Club Division or Trails Division. - JB
12. All References to annual membership fee changed from \$25 to \$40
13. Added to Section 2.2 The annual membership fee must be paid before the start of the first tournament in both divisions. This fee covers your club insurance. - JB
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24. Change to Form Title to Mosquito Creek Bass Club Angler Participation Agreement, Added D.O.B. and Divisions fields to the form - JB
25. Change to Form Title to Mosquito Creek Bass Club Official Rules Acknowledgment Added D.O.B. and Divisions fields to the form - JB
26. Section 26 Changed with addition of TRAILS DIVISION ENTRY FEE: - JB
27. Section 27 Changed to RULES VIOLATIONS AND APPEALS COMMITTEE: - JB
28. Section 28 Changed to DIRECTOR'S DISCRETION: - JB
29. Added Section 29 for WAIVER AND RELEASE: (Previously Section 28) - JB
30. Sections 2.2 Change Standard Membership to \$40 - JB
31. Section 2.2.1. Added the words Standard MCBC - JB
32. Section 2.2.2. Changed Fee from \$100 to \$40 - JB
33. Section 2.7 Changed from \$100 to \$40 and removed Trails Division because there is no membership fee. - JB