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## VA Sheriffs' Association Tournament Rules

1. Eligibility – Participants must have a valid fishing license, permits. Kill switches must be used and personal flotation devices (PFD's) worn when the primary motor is running and the boat is in motion. Live well to be viewed by tournament officials prior to launching.
2. All boats entering the tournament must launch @ Ed Allen's Lakeside location.
3. Before the start of the tournament, each entry will confirm their launch order by picking up their boat number slip by tournament officials.
4. Only ARTIFICIAL LURES may be used.
5. Only one rod per participant may be used at any time.
6. Trolling is prohibited as a method of catching bass for the tournament.
7. All bass must be caught live, on rod and reel, and in a conventional manner (No intentional snagging of bedding fish allowed).
8. All fishing must be done from entry boat.
9. Bass presented at weigh-in must be caught during tournament hours, maximum of 5 fish per team.
  - a. Each fish must be 12 inches or longer
  - b. Total weight per team or entry will determine place, while the net of one fish determines big fish.
  - c. Each team is expected to take care of their fish when caught, through weigh-in and a return to the water. Each dead fish presented at weigh-in will result in an 8 ounce per dead fish deduction from the total weight.
  - d. For weigh-in, fish must be contained in a plastic bag or appropriate bag.
10. Late check in for weigh-in will result in disqualification. Boats must be within the off limits no later than posted tournament end time to qualify for weigh-in. No culling within the Off Limits Area!
11. Sportsmanship, courtesy, and safety are expected from each participant. Consumption of alcohol is prohibited during tournament hours until the close of the official weigh-in.
12. Any team wishing to protest the conduct or score of a fellow team must do so in writing and address the issue with tournament officials within 15 minutes of weigh-in. The tournament officials may however, on their own accord, take up and decide questions relating to participants conduct and score. The Tournament Official's decision is final!

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