

**DISCOVERY BAY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**  
**BIG BASS FISHING TOURNAMENT RULES- Saturday, Sept 13th**  
**TOURNAMENT HOURS 7:00AM-1:00 PM**

**A. ELIGIBILITY FOR TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION –**

Persons entering this DBCF Bass tournament must meet the following requirements:

1. No more than six people in a boat at once.
2. Everyone 16 yrs and older must have a fishing license.
3. If there are three children and two are under 12 yrs old there must be two adults on board.
4. It is DBCF policy that all boaters must maintain up to date insurance.
5. Every person operating a boat must have a California Boating card.

**B. ENTRY FEE**

1. Entry fee for this tournament is \$100 per boat with up to six passengers.

**C. TOURNAMENT FISHING HOURS & STARTING PROCEDURES**

Types of Bass to be caught are: Black Bass which includes Largemouth, Smallmouth, Spotted and Redeye bass. You **must** check in prior to the event to get your boat number, rules or any other final information that may be needed.

1. Check in: Friday, Sept 12th at the DB Marina Bar & Grill 5:00-6:00 PM.  
Or 6:30-7:00AM on Saturday Sept 13th at the DB Marina Bar & Grill,
2. The fishing tournament hours will be from 7:00AM-1:00 PM.

**D. WEIGH-IN**

1. Weigh-in station will be at 90 Discovery Bay Blvd. between 12:30-1:00 PM. Across from the lighthouse.
2. This is a catch and release tournament. All bass **MUST** be released back into the delta at the weigh in station, no exceptions.

**E. “OUT-OF-BOUNDS” AREA**

1. You may fish in all 32 bays in Discovery Bay and all waters in the Contra Costa County Limits.

**F. SAFETY**

1. Every child 12 yrs and under **MUST** wear a coast guard approved life vest.
2. Each person on board is strongly urged to wear a coast guard approved life vest.
3. Every contestant must provide their own life vest for each person on board.
4. Every boat and driver must comply with all US Coast Guard rules and regulations.
5. It is incumbent for every boating operator to know the ABCs of CA boating.

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6. Consumption of alcohol is strictly prohibited during tournament hours.

## **G. SPORTSMANSHIP**

1. Sportsmanship, courtesy, safety and conservation are expected of each boat.
2. You must aid any boater that has mechanical or safety issues.

## **H. TACKLE EQUIPMENT**

1. Only artificial lures may be used. No live bait.
2. All Boats must have live wells with aerators. ( A cooler and a \$10 aerator will do)

## **I. SCORING**

1. There will be prize money for the first, second and third place in the following category:  
The total weight of five fish that the entire boat catches.  
You can only keep five fish at weigh-in for prize money.
2. The remaining 25% of the total purse goes to the heaviest fish in tournament.

### **Junior Fishing Scoring- Age 16 and under.**

All Jr. entries must cast and catch their own fish without any help from anyone else in the boat except for netting the fish to bring on board. We are counting on the honesty from all members in the boat. You may combine this fish with all other fish in the boat for the five heaviest.

**Jr Payout** 1<sup>st</sup> place -\$100, 2<sup>nd</sup> place - \$75 and 3<sup>rd</sup> place-\$50 for heaviest fish.

## **J. PAYOUT**

Payouts will be held in front of the Marina Bar and Grill at 1:30.

50% of the total registration fees will go back to the DBCF to benefit our kids and community.

50 % of registration fees will go to prize money for first, second, and third place winners.

## **This is just an Example:**

"If we had 100 boats" = \$10,000 total purse.

\$5000 will go back to the DBCF to benefit our kids and community.

\$5000 will go to prize money to the top three winners in both categories.