DISCOVERY BAY COMMUNITY FOUNATION

BIG BASS FISHING TOURNAMENT RULES- Saturday, Oct12th TOURNAMENT HOURS 7:00AM-1:00 PM

A. <u>ELIGIBILITY FOR TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION</u> –

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 under 60 yrs old 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: Saturday, Oct 11th at the DB Marina Bar & Grill 5:00-6:00 PM. Or 6:30-7:00AM on Sunday Oct 12th at the DB Marina Bar & Grill,
- 2. 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

There will be prize money for the first, second and third place in the following categories. You can only keep five fish at weigh in for prize monies.

Adult Scoring

- 1. Heaviest Fish
- 2. Total weight of five fish that adults catch. You can NOT use the Jr fish for your weigh in.

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 not combine any other fish in the boat and can ONLY use this one fish for the Jr weigh in. This fish cannot be used for the adult catch and release. **Jr Payout** 1st place -\$100, 2nd place - \$75 and 3rd place-\$50 for heaviest fish.

J. PAYOUT

Payouts will be held in front of the Boardwalk Grill at 2:30.

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:

"<u>If we had 100 boats</u>" = \$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.