# **Drury University Spring Open**



Saturday April 8, 2023

Table Rock Lake Kimberling City, MO

Takeoff/Weigh at Ahoys/Kimberling Inn

Safe Light - 3 pm

Open to all collegiate fishing teams

Tournament Director/Questions contact Coach Rick Emmitt at <a href="mailto:remmitt@drury.edu">remmitt@drury.edu</a> or call 417-860-2303

Entry Fee - \$60 (Includes \$10 Big Bass Pot) 80% payback, 20% goes to the Drury University Fishing Team

Additional draw prizes after weigh-in

Register Online at collegiatebasschampionship.com. Please complete registration form and bring with you to pre-tournament meeting. Cash only accepted at ramp the morning of the tournament.

Phone Registration - Anglers may enter by phone at least one week prior to the event by calling 417-860-2303.

Tournament Morning Registration - Anglers may enter the morning of the tournament from 6 am – 6:30 am. Cash only accepted.

This event qualifies for <u>Bass Pro Shops ACA School of the Year Points</u>
There is no limit to the number of schools each team may enter

## **Tournament Rules**

#### Off Limits

There is no off limits period leading up to the event. Competitors will be allowed to practice at any time leading up to the event.

## Participation/Eligibility

Participation is open to college students who are enrolled full time in an accredited university and maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA and are members of the recognized fishing team/club. Proof of enrollment may be requested.

There is no limit to the number of boats each University may enter in the tournament. Only two competitors will be allowed per boat. Individuals may fish solo with prior approval from Tournament Director. All contestants must possess a valid Missouri fishing license.

#### **Tournament Hours**

Safe light – 3 pm

#### Take-off

Take-off will be held at the Ahoys Ramp at the old Kimberling Inn. Takeoff position will be determined by order of entry. Livewells and kill switches will be inspected during take-off.

#### Weigh-In

Weigh-in will take place at Ahoys/Kimberling Inn at 3 pm. No fish will be weighed in until 3 pm. Bringing more than 5 fish to the scale will result in disqualification.

## **Tackle and Equipment**

Only artificial lures will be allowed. No A-rigs or multi-bait lures allowed. All bass must be caught alive on a rod/reel during tournament hours. No trolling allowed. Only one rod/reel per angler may be used at a time.

## **Boats and Motors**

Angler must provide their own boat. Boats must be 15 feet or longer with working aerated livewell and kill switch. All boats must meet B.I.A. and USCG requirements.

#### Safety

All boat operators must have at least the minimum state liability insurance coverage. Drury University is not liable for any accident associated with this event.

Safe boating practices must be followed at all times. Each contestant is required to wear a fastened, USCG approved personal flotation device any time the combustion engine is running. All boats must be equipped with an emergency ignition shut off device that must be securely attached to the driver's body whenever the combustion engine is in operation.

# **Permitted Fishing Locations**

Contestants may fish anywhere on tournament waters available to the public and accessible by boat except any areas designated as Off Limits by the Corps of Engineers or other local, state or federal officials.

At no time may a contestant leave the boat to land a fish or make the boat more accessible to fishing waters. The tournament boat must remain in tournament waters during the tournament day.

In the event of equipment failure, a competitor may bring his fish to weigh-in in another competitor's boat as long as the fish are bagged in a separate bag.

# **Sportsmanship**

Each competitor is expected to follow high standards of sportsmanship. Consumption and/or possession of alcoholic beverages before, during or after the event is strictly prohibited and subject to disqualification.

The use of mobile communication devices such as cell phones is prohibited during the event except in an emergency. Please contact the tournament director if an emergency situation arises.

# Scoring

Only largemouth, smallmouth, and spotted bass may be weighed in. Minimum length is 15". Five (5) fish limit per boat. Fish will be measured with mouth closed and tail fanned to longest position.

Ties for total weight will be determined by biggest bass weighed.

#### **Penalties**

All boats must check-in to the designated check-in location. Late penalty is one (1) lb per minute up to 15 minutes, after 15 minutes that boat will be disqualified.

Short Fish

Any competitor weighing in a short fish will be penalized 1 lb. plus the weight of the dead fish. Dead Fish

Any dead bass presented for weigh-in will result in a 1 lb. penalty deducted from the total weight. No dead fish will be allowed to weigh for big bass.

#### **Protest**

A protest or complaint must be filed in writing before the weigh-in scale closes. The Tournament Director has final determination if a protest is filed.