

When site fishing the fish must be hooked inside the mouth. Netting, foul hooking, etc... of fish is not permitted. Anglers may only fish with 1 rod and reel at a time. No trolling with gas engine. No competitor may leave the boat to land or catch a fish. All fish except for trophy will be returned to Lake Anna.

9. SPORTSMANSHIP

Each competitor is expected to follow the highest standards of sportsmanship and courtesy. No boat may fish within 50 yards of another competitor who was first there with the trolling motor down. Fighting, verbal slander and confrontation will not be tolerated and may result in immediate disqualification from that event and/or the series at Elite Series officials discretion. Use of any other person(s) and/or communicating devices such as cell phones, pagers, CBs etc. intending to aide in locating or catching fish is strictly prohibited.

10. SAFETY

All boats must leave the Marina at a safe moderate speed and abide by all posted speed limits and no wake areas. Reckless operation is grounds for disqualification. Safe boating conduct must be observed at all times. Each competitor must properly wear a U.S. Coast Guard approved life vest anytime the boat is on PLANE and failing to do so will result in immediate disqualification from that event. Tournament days may be shortened or canceled due to severe weather or any conditions that would endanger the safety of the competitors and /or staff. All decisions will be made by the Elite Series officials and will be final.

11. BOATS

All boats must be in a safe and good operating condition. All boats must be properly registered and contain the required U.S. Coast Guard safety equipment. All boats must be equipped with a live well system capable of keeping a limit of fish alive. Each boat must also be equipped with a bilge pump and kill switch. Engines cannot exceed the horsepower rating of the boat.

12. STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS

All competitors are to abide by all local, state, federal and wildlife laws. Competitors are required to have any and all fishing licenses and / or permits for any specific area they are fishing. No alcoholic beverages or un-prescribed drugs may be consumed at any time during the tournament or weigh-in.

13. EMERGENCIES

Competitors shall not leave the boat except in emergencies. Sickness, severe storms, nature calls etc. are deemed emergencies. If your boat breaks down you may ride back with your fish with anyone willing to help while the other partner stays with the disabled boat. Every effort possible is to be made to keep fish alive in this situation but at no time will yours and the aiding boaters fish be mixed in the same livewell or both teams fish will be disallowed. (Dual or Divided livewells are equipped on some boats and are considered individual livewells and are okay to use to keep both teams fish alive.) Your fish must return to the weigh-in site by boat or they will be disallowed

14. PROTESTS / POLYGRAPHS

Any protest must be submitted in writing to the tournament director within 15 minutes of scale closing. Elite Series officials reserve the right to ask a competitor to submit to a polygraph exam at any time. Failure to do so will result in immediate disqualification with all entry fees and prize moneys being forfeited.

15. LIABILITY INSURANCE

All boaters must carry liability insurance at all times. Failure to do so will result in immediate disqualification.

16. RULES INTERPRETATION

Interpretation of any of the above rules will be left up to the tournament director.



2018
LAKE ANNA
ELITE SERIES
Open Team Bass Tournaments
OVER 100% PAYOUT!

Please Check the Tournament Date Being Entered.

- **Saturday March 24**
- **Sunday April 29**
- **Saturday May 12**
- **Sunday June 10**
- **Sunday August 26**
- **Sunday September 16**

- **Fall Classic - October 6 & 7**



Sturgeon Creek
Marina
Lake Anna, Va
(540) 895-5095

Lake Anna, VA.
7 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.



5107 Courthouse Road Spotsylvania, VA. 22551
Hwy 208, 18 miles West of I-95, 6 miles North of Rt 522

Lake Anna Elite Series

Official Entry Form

ENTRANT #1

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: (____) _____ - _____ PHONE(____) _____ - _____

ENTRANT #2

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: (____) _____ - _____ PHONE(____) _____ - _____

We have acquainted ourselves with the rules of this event, and have complied with all of the requirement of the rules. We hereby waive and release Sturgeon Creek Marina Inc, its employees, sponsors, advertisers and other entrants of all claims of personal injury, death or property damage incurred during the activities of this event for which this application is being submitted. We also understand that we may be given a polygraph test to ensure the honesty and integrity of this tournament. We also give permission to use our pictures both still and video for the use of promotional activities without any compensation from Sturgeon Creek Marina Inc. We sign that the above information is true.

Signed:
ENTRANT #1 _____ DATE: ____/____/____

ENTRANT #2 _____ DATE: ____/____/____

Sturgeon Creek Marina
5107 Courthouse Road - Spotsylvania, VA 22551

PAYMENTS MUST BE PAID IN CASH

1. ENTRY FEES / MEMBERSHIP FEE

Entry fee for all regular season qualifying tournaments is \$150 (includes \$20 big fish pot) The entry fee for the 2 day Fall Classic Championship is \$250. Each participant shall pay a one time \$75.00 membership fee per year. The membership fee will be used to cover Plaques & Literature, Polygraphs, cookouts and other costs associated with the operation of the tournament. ALL PAYMENTS MUST BE PAID IN CASH.

2. PRIZE PAYOUTS

All Regular Season and Fall Classic events will have a payout based on 1 place paid per 5 boats entered. There is one lunker pot paid per regular season event. A 1st Place & lunker pot will be paid for each day of the 2 Day Fall Classic based on the average number of boats throughout the qualifying events.

3. FALL CLASSIC QUALIFYING

The top 20 teams based on total weight from the regular season events will qualify for the Fall Classic. Teams fishing 5 of 8 regular season events also qualify for Fall Classic. Winning a regular season event also qualifies a team for the Fall Classic.

4. LAUNCH SEQUENCE

Starting positions are based on the order in which entry fees are received. Day 1 of Fall Classic will launch in order of final Point Standings. Day 2 launch sequence of the Fall Classic will be in the order of Day 1 standings.

5. SCORING / STANDINGS / RESULTS / TIES

Tournament results are based on the total weight of largemouth bass caught legally and weighed in officially. Teams may weigh a limit of 5 fish per day per event. At no time can a team have more than 6 fish in the live well. Once a team catches the sixth fish, a fish must be culled before fishing continues. Bass will be measured on a flat board, closed mouth to tip of tail fin, in the NATURAL STATE. Only fish 12" OR OVER IN LENGTH WILL BE WEIGHED IN THIS TOURNAMENT. All entrants are required to have a clear understanding of the size limits before beginning the

tournament. The penalty for attempting to weigh an illegal fish is a one pound deduction from the net weight of the entire catch and the loss of the illegal fish. The dead fish penalty shall be .5 lbs. (8 ounces) per dead fish deducted from the total weight. Once the bag of fish is handed to Elite Series officials for weigh in no fish may be added or subtracted from the catch. If a team brings more than 5 fish to the scales that team will be disqualified from that event. If there is a tie for total weight the prize money for the places tied for will be combined and divided equally. Big fish ties will also have prize money divided equally between those teams that are tied.

Tournament Standings will be based upon a points system. 50 points will be awarded to the 1st place team. Then each place after that will be awarded 1 less point. The team weighing in the "Big Fish" will receive 1 bonus point. Any team not weighing a fish will receive 10 less points than the last placing team. Please refer to our website for an example.

6. LATE PENALTY

Teams not back at the official check in or weigh in site on time will be penalized one pound per minute late up to 3 minutes. After 3 minutes the team will be disqualified from that event.

7. TEAMS / PARTNERS / SUBSTITUTES

A team shall consist of 1 or 2 anglers. Each team must consist of 1 angler over the age of 18 years old. 1 angler teams may fish the entire series alone and they are required to pay the full entry fee per event. A team may have 3 substitutions during regular season and 1 additional substitute for the Fall Classic event. During any event, only 1 substitute per boat (team) can be used. Substitutes are required to pay a \$25.00 sub/membership fee on the 1st event fished only. Partner changes after the start of the tournament will not be permitted.

8. TACKLE AND FISHING METHODS

Only artificial baits may be used except pork chunks or strips. **NO LIVE BAIT MAY BE USED OR POSSESSED.** All bass must be caught in a sporting manner.