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 disgualification. 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 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 vour boat breaks down vou mav ride back with any *Icebreaker Event Participant(s) 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. 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(s).



Safe Light - 3pm

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Sturgeon Creek Marina Lake Anna Open Team Bass Series Official Entry Form

ENTRANT #1 NAME: ADDRESS: CITY: 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 requirements 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:	/	/	

For Lake Anna Elite & Youth Series, Pre-Paid Entries Will Be Excepted.

For Lake Anna Summer & Winter Series, Along with the Lake Anna Ice Breaker PAYMENTS MUST BE PAID IN CASH ON DAY OF TOURNAMENT

1. ENTRY FEES

Entry Fee for this Event is \$120 (**\$80** to **Tournament and \$40** to **Big Fish**)

2. PRIZE PAYOUTS

This event will have a payout based on *1 Place Paid Per 5 Boats* entered.

There is only 1 Big Fish Place paid out

4. LAUNCH SEQUENCE

Starting positions events is determined by a random drawing the morning of the tournament

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. 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. A dead fish cannot be counted as a teams Big Fish. Once the bag of fish is handed to 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.

7. TEAMS / PARTNERS

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 are required to pay the full entry fee per event. 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. 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. Trolling as a method of fishing shall be prohibited. No competitor may leave the boat to land or catch a fish. All fish except for trophy will be released to Lake Anna in sight of *IceBreaker Tournament* Officials. Every competitor weighing fish is responsible for the healthiest release possible of the fish they weighed. Competitors are required to attempt venting / fizzing or any other means necessary to revive their fish before declaring them dead. Failure to tend to their fish may result in disgualification from the current / or future series events.

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. 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. Fighting, Verbal Slander, Entrapment and Confrontation <u>"WILL NOT BE</u> <u>TOLERATED"</u> and may result in immediate disqualification from that event and/or the Entire Series at Series Officials Discretion.