

THE 10th ANNUAL

Tournament Hours: 8:00-15:00

FALCON LAKE



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CHAMPIONSHIP

SATURDAY, MAY 15, 2010*

COMPETE FOR OVER \$10,000
IN CASH & PRIZES**

\$220 ENTRY FEE

PER TEAM, INCLUDES \$10 BIG BASS
BIG BASS POOL PAYOUT IS 100%!

Registration & Start at the Falcon
Lake Marina West Shore



Presented By:



2010 PRIZE STRUCTURE**

1st \$3,000.00	6th \$300.00
2nd \$2,000.00	7th \$300.00
3rd \$1,000.00	8th \$200.00
4th \$800.00	9th \$200.00
5th \$600.00	10-15th PRIZE

100% PAYOUT TO WINNERS!

**Based on 50 Teams

*ICE CANCELLATION NOTE:

If late ice forces cancellation on Tournament day, refunds will be forwarded to Team Captain within 10 days.



This Event is Online!

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SEND CHEQUE & ENTRY TO: Manitoba Bass Anglers, 100-70 Arthur Street, Winnipeg, MB, R3B 1G7

Starting Pos. Based On Entry Received

CAPTAIN:	<input type="text"/>	PARTNER:	<input type="text"/>
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City:	<input type="text"/>	City:	<input type="text"/>
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E-mail:	<input type="text"/>	E-mail:	<input type="text"/>
Signature†:	<input type="text"/>	Signature†:	<input type="text"/>

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By signing this application I herby agree to have read and understand all Rules & Regulations directed by The Falcon Lake Bass Championship

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Office Use

Date Entry Received:

Team #

Rules on Reverse

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Hooked
ON FISHING AND THE GREAT OUTDOORS



- 1) **TOURNAMENT FORMAT**
 - a) The Falcon Lake Bass Championship format is a two-person team, fishing for one day, total combined weight, live release Tournament, May 15, 2010, starting at 8:00 am and ending at 3:00 pm.
 - b) The Tournament Director has the right to delay or shorten the Tournament, subject to weather and/or safety considerations.
 - c) All Competitors and Officials will conduct themselves in a true sportsmanlike, courteous, safe and ethical manner. As Competitors, each person represents not only their Team and Sponsors, but also The Falcon Lake Bass Championship, Officials and other teams.
 - d) The Falcon Lake Bass Championship, its promoters, sponsors, organizers, hosts, Directors, Officers and affiliated organizations assisting in the operation of any aspect of the Challenge, their agencies and/or agents and assigns are not responsible for any death, injury, damage, liability, fire, theft or loss that may result prior to, during or after the Tournament howsoever caused.
 - e) All references to money are in Canadian Dollars.
- 2) **PARTICIPATION AND ELIGIBILITY**
 - a) Competitors must be a minimum of eighteen (18) years of age as of May 14, 2010, unless they have the permission of their parents or guardians. All participants, upon signing an accepted entry form, will in effect be signing a waiver form.
 - b) All anglers must possess a valid Manitoba Fishing License except those exempt by the provincial fisheries regulations.
 - c) The Falcon Lake Bass Championship reserves the right to refuse entry to any individual or Team for any reason that the Tournament Committee may deem appropriate.
- 3) **ENTRY FEE**
 - a) Prize money will be based on the number of teams entered up to a maximum of 50.
 - b) Entry fees will be locked in at 6:00 pm of April 18, 2010 in order to set Tournament prizes. Cancellations thereafter will be accepted only for medical emergencies.
- 4) **REGISTRATION**
 - a) Teams must receive rule updates, starting position numbers and sign waiver forms before leaving the dock on tournament day.
- 5) **LIVE RELEASE OF FISH**
 - a) Fixed or portable aerated livewells capable of supporting life are mandatory and every effort must be made to keep Smallmouth Bass alive.
 - b) Under no circumstances can a fish be purposely altered.
 - c) Any fish mauled, mashed, frozen, stringered, injected with water or other fluids, containing foreign matter to add weight or showing white gills or soft flesh, will result in disqualification of the Team.
 - d) **PENALTY FOR LATE CHECK-IN**
Under no circumstances are dead fish to be released. See 8-g and h.
 - e) Contestants who are late crossing the finish line at the end of the day for whatever reason, including breakdown, will be disqualified.
- 7) **PERMITTED FISHING LOCATIONS**
 - a) All waters accessible by boat on Falcon Lake proper are deemed Tournament waters unless stated otherwise by the Tournament Director.
- 8) **SCORING**
 - a) Only Smallmouth Bass legally caught on tournament day by angling qualify for weigh-in. Violation of this rule is tournament disqualification.
 - b) Weigh Master's scale and measure board are the official equipment of the Tournament. Competitors are encouraged to verify their measuring device to the Weigh Master's prior to weigh-in.
 - c) A daily limit of Five (5) Smallmouth Bass per Team will be weighed. A maximum of Two (2) Smallmouth Bass per Team can be over forty (40) centimeters. The penalty for failure to comply is disqualification.
 - d) Smallmouth Bass measurement is from tip of closed mouth to tip of pinched tail.
 - e) Each Team's fish must be presented to the Weigh Master or his/her Assistants in the official tubs supplied by the Tournament Organizers.
 - f) All weights, upon verbal acceptance by the Team Captain, and then publicly called by the Weigh Master, are immediately official and are not thereafter contestable.
 - g) Dead bass presented for weigh-in will not be weighed.
 - h) Species caught other than Smallmouth Bass must be returned to tournament waters. No fish, other than five (5) Smallmouth Bass will be kept in

- a) the boat while reporting for weigh-in.
- BOATS AND MOTORS**
 - a) All boats must be a minimum of fourteen (14) feet in length.
 - b) No barges, houseboats, or similar cumbersome craft will be allowed.
 - c) All boats, motors and their equipment must meet Canadian Coast Guard standards.
 - d) The Tournament Director reserves the right to disallow the use of any boat, motor and/or equipment deemed unsafe, inappropriate or unsuitable.
 - e) All boats equipped with an emergency kill switch mechanism must have the kill switch tether securely attached to the operator whenever the boat is on plane.
 - f) Team Number Motor Tags will be given out at registration. The numbers must be affixed to the driver side cowling of the main combustion engine so that they are clearly and plainly visible.
- 10) **LAUNCHING AND MORNING EQUIPMENT INSPECTIONS**
 - a) Boat inspections will be conducted on the finger docks at the Falcon Lake Marina West Shore between 7:00 and 7:55 am.
 - b) Teams are required to have their equipment ready and on the water twenty (20) minutes prior to the scheduled departure time. Late arrivals will be penalized and leave at the end of the trickle start.
 - c) Boats will be inspected for, but not limited to: Team Motor Numbers properly affixed; operation of live well; kill switch operation; no live, dead, frozen, or freeze-dried bait, no underwater cameras and required safety equipment.
 - d) Teams must have all tackle boxes; hatches and live wells open for easy inspection prior to the arrival of the Tournament Officials.
 - e) Failure to report for daily boat inspection will result in disqualification of their catch.
- 11) **TRICKLE START**
 - a) The Official Starter will release teams by using a trickle start, commencing at 8:00 AM.
 - b) Teams will be started in order of their assigned start positions (except those who have been penalized). They will be called and released every few seconds using a signal flag and number call.
 - c) Any Team starting or attempting to start out of order will be held by the Official Starter until the balance of the flight has started.
- 12) **SPORTSMANSHIP AND COURTESY**
 - a) It is strictly prohibited for any Competitor to give, offer, accept or suggest the exchange of any weighable fish to, from or with any other Competitor.
 - b) Use of cellular phones and CB's are prohibited except in use of emergency.
- 13) **SAFETY**
 - a) All Competitors must practice safe boating at all times during tournament fishing.
 - b) Every competitor must wear a fully secured Coast Guard approved life jacket or flotation device while traveling from one location to another at other than trolling or drifting speed, and where so equipped tethered kill switches must be attached to the drivers body.
 - c) No alcoholic beverages or illicit drugs may be possessed or consumed by the Competitors during tournament fishing hours up to and including the weighing of the their catch.
 - d) In the event of a thunderstorm, lightning, or severe weather, Teams may pull onto the nearest shoreline until it is safe to continue fishing. Competitor(s) may not leave their boats during the tournament except at the Official Weigh-In Station or if severe weather forces them ashore.
 - e) Every Team, whether weighing fish or not, must, at the end of the tournament day, report to the Official Tournament Check-In Station. The Penalty for failing to report at the end of the tournament will be automatically placed as the last boat out in the next MBA Tournament entered.
- 14) **MECHANICAL BREAKDOWN OR EMERGENCIES**
 - a) In the case of an emergency or mechanical breakdown, Cellular phones, CB's, and VHF Marine radios may be used. **NOTE - IN THE EVENT OF BREAKDOWN A COMPETITOR MAY ALSO USE AN ONSHORE PHONE IF OTHER COMMUNICATION METHODS ARE ABSENT OR FAIL TO WORK.**
- 15) **ON THE WATER**
 - a) Competitors are personally responsible for knowing all Tournament

- a) Rules, as well as the current Manitoba Fishing Regulations and Canadian Coast Guard regulations. Penalty: Teams found to have violated federal or provincial fishing and boating regulations during the tournament may be disqualified when this information is confirmed by tournament officials. This judgment could also apply to eligibility to participate in future tournaments.
 - b) Competitors are not allowed to toss or pass any item(s) to another boat or to receive any item(s) from another boat.
 - c) All Teams and their equipment are subject to inspection at any time during the Tournament. Committee patrol boats may come alongside, following proper identification, and if necessary, other boat may come in contact with a Competitor's boat at any time.
 - d) No Competitor shall step on shore without approval or accompaniment by a Tournament Official (except in adverse weather conditions). Refuelling is permitted at designated marinas between 10:00am and 2:00 pm on tournament day.
 - e) No fishing information may be given to or exchanged with Competitors during the Tournament fishing hours by Tournament or Non-Tournament anglers.
 - f) Each Boat must respect a 20-foot diameter fishing circle, which may not be fished or navigated through by another Boat.
 - g) Competitors are expected to co-operate as much as possible with official video and still photography personnel.
- TACKLE AND EQUIPMENT**
- a) Competitors may use only artificial lures, manufactured baits, pork rind, and commercially available liquid attractants. Landing nets may be used.
 - b) No live bait, frozen or freeze-dried bait of any kind may be used or possessed by any Competitor at any time during the Tournament.
 - c) The use, in live wells, of commercially available fish care chemicals is permitted.
 - d) The use of underwater cameras is not allowed during the tournament. If such equipment is found in a competitor's boat during boat checks or during tournament fishing hours the offending team will be immediately disqualified.
- RULE(S) VIOLATIONS**
- a) General Penalties: Teams may be disqualified from the tournament for frequent or major infractions of the rules and will not receive a refund of their entry fee. Examples of major infractions include unsafe boating practices, gross angling ethics violations and violations that clearly give the competitor an unfair or illegal advantage over other competitors, such as: movement of fish, use of live bait, fishing out of bounds, caged fish, violation of provincial and federal fishing and boating regulations, exchanging fish between teams and unauthorized use of underwater cameras.
- TIE BREAKERS**
- a) In the event of a tie, the team with the largest Smallmouth Bass will govern.
- CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS**
- a) The Falcon Lake Bass Championship retains the right to change or amend any or all of these preceding rules at their sole discretion without prior notification or consultation with the Competitors.
 - b) Final Approved Official Rules of the 2010 The Falcon Lake Bass Championship will be given to all Teams as part of their Registration Package the day of the tournament, subject only to clarification(s) arising prior to May 14, 2010.
 - c) For more information, please contact Jaret Horbatiuk at (204) 297-8840 or at info@manitobabassanglers.com.