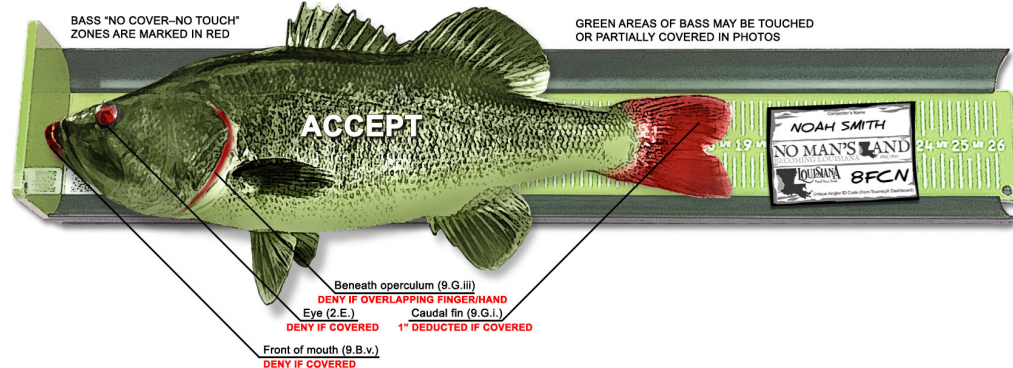


Tournament Rules

No Man's Land Free for All

1. Competition Overview
 - a. This is a Catch-Photo-Release tournament for largemouth bass caught in public waters only; fish are not required to be retained by competitors but may be released after photographs are taken.
 - b. Restricted areas designated "Private," "No Trespass," or with similar postings are out-of-bounds; fish caught in those areas are ineligible to be submitted for competition.
 - c. Scoring of photographed bass is based on fish length, not on weight, in quarter-inch increments.
 - d. The smallest length bass that may be submitted for scoring is 14.00". Photos of bass shorter than the minimum will be denied. If deductions reduce a photo's score to less than 14.00", that photo will be denied.
 - e. A competitor's score is the sum of the lengths of his five (5) longest bass (highest-scoring photos) caught from eligible water during competition.
 - f. KBF Big Bass Side Pot is \$25 for the entire season. Awards for biggest (highest scoring photo) each week (\$100), month (\$500), and event (\$1,000).
2. Eligibility
 - a. Registration is open to all anglers; no minimum age restriction(?)
 - b. Largemouth bass submitted for scoring must be caught from public areas any of these bodies of water in Southwest Louisiana:
 - i. Red River
 - ii. Anacoco Lake
 - iii. Toledo Bend Reservoir
 - iv. Cane River
 - v. Cacalsieu
 - vi. Bundick Lake
 - vii. Ouiska Chitto
3. Registration
 - a. Free entry
 - b. Register on TourneyX at any time until October [<https://tourneyx.com/app/tourney/no-mans-land-free-for-all>]
 - c. Agree to abide by rules, term and conditions, including term and conditions of the Liability Release & Waiver Agreement
 - d. Print and cut out an Event ID Card
 - e. Upon registering, find the unique 4-character Event ID Code and print it and your name on the Event ID Card
4. Competition Period
 - a. No fish caught before 12:00 a.m. CST February 15, 2019 is eligible for submission
 - b. Photo submission deadline is 11:59 p.m. on October 31, 2019.
 - c. Fish must be caught and photos uploaded during competition period.
5. Method of Fishing
 - a. Method — fishing is permitted from bank, dock, pier, shore, or while wading, or from any floating platform or watercraft. No restrictions regarding propulsion, size, or configuration.
 - b. Tactic — Fish must be caught using rod and reel with artificial. No trot-lines, branch lines, jug fishing, noodling, gill-netting, etc. Only one rod may be in use at a time.
 - c. Landing — Fish may be landed by lifting the line, dragging the fish onto land, by hand or using a landing net
 - d. Cooperation — Each competitor must position himself, make the cast, move and retrieve the lure, set the hook, reel in the fish, and land it without assistance from another person.
6. Photo requirements
 - a. Each photo must be of a fish on an approved measuring board:
 - i. *Hawg Trough* by Hagans [<https://www.fishusa.com/product/FishUSA-Hawg-Trough>]

- ii. *Ketch Products Measuring Board* [<https://ketchproducts.com>]
 - iii. *Yak Gear Fish Stik* [<https://yakgear.com/product/yakgear-fish-stik/>]
- b. Fish must lie centered on the measuring board with its mouth touching the “fence” (a.k.a. “bump”; upright end of the board), left eye upward and right eye against the measuring board.



- c. Both ends of the bass must be visible in photos (not cropped off in photo or covered by fingers or hand)
 - d. No straps, clips or other restraining device may be used to secure bass to measuring board.
 - e. Hook/lure may remain attached in photo but line must be relaxed and not used as a restraint.
 - f. Mouth may be open or closed; no penalty for mouth position.
 - g. Length is determined by the longest point at which the tail tip touches the measuring board, or if the tail tip extends off the measuring board, the farthest point at which the touches the measuring board. If that point is between two quarter-inch marks, measurement is rounded down to the lower quarter inch.
 - h. Bass tail must be fully in contact with the measuring board. If bass’ lifts its tail fin off the measuring board, photo will be denied.
 - i. Photo must be taken with a smart phone or other digital camera that can be used to upload the digital photographs through the TourneyX app.
 - j. Event ID Card with the Competitor’s name and unique Angler Event ID Code must be in the photo, legible, and positioned above, below, or beside (not on) the bass.
7. Safety
- a. If fishing from a boat, competitor must comply with all USCG, state and local regulations regarding lighting, signal devices, life jackets and flotation.
 - b. Competitors in watercraft (kayaks, canoes, SUPs, pirogues, jon boats, pontoon boats, bass boats, etc.) must wear properly-sized and fastened USGC-approved personal flotation device (PFD, i.e., lifejacket) during competition.
8. Challenge Prize Distributions:
- a. Tournament photos and submission details are visible on the TourneyX NRS Leader Board for public review.
 - b. A 24-hour Dispute Period commences at end-of-competition time. When all disputes submitted by Competitors have been resolved—no less than 24 hours later—prizes, Challenge Points and KBFNC and Challenge Championship qualifications are finalized and will be posted on this page with an event recap on Facebook.
 - c. Each KBF Competitor awarded cash prizes is required to provide KBF with a completed, signed, and dated IRS FORM W-9, even if no information has changed since one was submitted in previous years. Open a blank form on a web browser [link: [IRS FORM W-9](#)], fill it out, sign and date it. Then mail it to Kayak Bass Fishing, Attn. Lynette Brentlinger, 170 E Main St Ste D #128, Hendersonville, TN 37075, or you may photograph or scan it, and email the digital photo to Lynette Brentlinger, KBF Customer Care Manager, at shopkbf@gmail.com
 - d. KBF uses information from the IRS Form W-9 to prepare IRS 1099 forms, a copy of which is sent to the IRS and another to the Competitor in January for income tax return preparation.

