



2014 Massachusetts Bass Federation State Championship Entry Form and Rules

1. All Clubs sending a Team must have ALL Club Members current FLW and TBF numbers to be eligible. No Exceptions.
2. All Entry Forms Must be Postmarked by August 4th
3. All Clubs shall supply a hostage Check in the amount of \$200.00 made out to the Mass Bass Federation. In the event an angler from your club does not show without prior authorization, this fee will be retained by the Federation.
4. All Non-Boaters will pay \$80 to their 1 Day Boater at the Pairings Meeting.
5. The Lake will be Off-Limits to all Federation Members Wednesday and Thursday prior to the event. Official Practice is Friday from Dawn to 4pm. ALL TOURNAMENT RULES APPLY.
6. Pre Tournament Meeting begins promptly at 5:00pm location to be announced.
7. Tournament Headquarters will be announced. Any changes in the Pairings after Day 1 will be made there. Captains Meeting will be at 7:30pm
8. It is Mandatory to provide Hotel Room and Phone numbers and Cell Phone numbers.
9. The Entry Fee is \$180.00 and may be paid by check made out to Mass Bass. This must be a separate check from the hostage check.
10. Optional Lunker fee is \$20 and must be paid in cash.
11. Bring a copy of your Fishing License and Boat insurance to the Registration Meeting. NO Exceptions.
12. If you are bringing your boat and wish to be considered for a boater spot if one is available, Make a note on your entry form, and provide insurance.
13. HAVE A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE TOURNAMENT!

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Return form with payment to: Erik Kaplan, 126 Mountainview St Chicopee MA 01020

Club Name _____

Boater Number _____ Non-boater Number _____

Name _____

FLW # _____ TBF # _____

Hotel Phone/Room # _____

Cell Phone # _____ **Mandatory**

Boat Make/Length _____

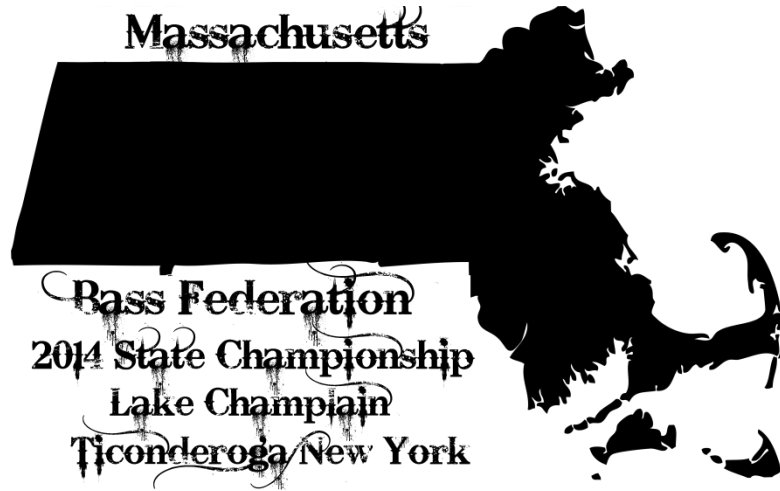
Engine Make/HP _____

Brand of Electronics _____ Model _____

Brand of Trolling Motor _____ Model _____

Ranger Cup Yes ___ No ___





State Championship Survey

Did you practice before the event? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, how many days/nights did you spend in New York for practice? _____

If yes, how much money do you estimate that you spent on lodging, fuel (boat and tow vehicle) and food etc in New York for practice? _____

How many nights did you stay in New York for the tournament? _____

How much money do you estimate that you spent on lodging, fuel (boat and tow vehicle) and food etc in New York for the tournament? _____

Other than the fishing what did you like/dislike about the event? _____

Other than the location, what would changes would you like to see for this event?

Thank you for your input. This will help with future events.

Please print and turn in at the pairings meeting



2014 Massachusetts Bass Federation State Championship Rules

All participants are responsible for knowing all rules, no exceptions

You Must Have A Valid New York and Vermont License To Fish This Tournament

- . • Any and all problems or questions will be answered by the Tournament Director •

- . • All Federal and State boating and fishing rules apply. •

- . • All Federation applicable tournament rules apply, including the 2 pages of this document. •

- . • Please pay strict attention to all “NO WAKE” areas. There are several NO WAKE areas that are heavily patrolled. •

- . • Tournament waters are restricted to U.S waters only. You may not fish or boat in Canadian waters.

Off Limits: The water will be off limits for Wednesday and Thursday prior to the tournament. Official practice shall be Friday for this year’s Championship and is considered part of the tournament. This day is to be treated just like a tournament day with all Federation rules applying. All kill switches and life jackets must be worn etc. Practice shall end at 4:00 P.M. Friday.

Pre-Tournament Practice: For 30 days prior to and during the tournament a competitor cannot:

- A. Be on the water with or solicit information from a known guide or local expert.
- B. Have the assistance or advice of a professional guide; State or Federal Wildlife agency employee, or any other person deemed a "local expert" on these tournament waters by the Tournament Director, unless he is a contestant in the tournament.
- C. Nor enter the tournament waters with anyone who has been on the tournament waters during an off-limit period or solicit information from anyone that has been on the tournament waters during the off limits.

Each competitor agrees to report to the Tournament Director any violation or infraction of these Tournament Rules. The failure to report violations or suggestions to violate these rules or false verification of weigh-in forms will be cause for disqualification. The penalty for any infraction of this rule is a one-year or more suspension from all Federation events.

Launch and Takeoff Will Be; Ticonderoga State Boat Launch in Ticonderoga NY.

1) All boats will be checked for operating live-wells and kill switches.

The live-well CHECK will be the responsibility of the non-boater.

2) All boats must have a back seat for the non-boater to use if he or she so requires one.

3) Anytime the main motor is running, life vests and kill switch must be worn, no exceptions especially at ramps. Failure to comply will result in disqualification. Non-boaters shall supply their own life vests.

4) Nets will be allowed for use by all participants. Boaters must provide a suitable net. You are responsible for your own "netting". If you choose to have someone else help they will be relieved of any responsibility for lost fish etc.

5) Minimum length fish will be 12" with a penalty for weighing a short fish and dead fish. Limit is five fish per day per participant but will be dropped to 4 fish if weather or fish kill dictates.

6) Launch times will be by boat number and by designated times.

7) No boat will be launched unless non-boater is in boat or physically present.

8) Non-boaters will be responsible for dropping boat/boater into water and then parking vehicle in designated location.

9) Each club's anglers will be responsible for registration of themselves. This includes a copy or original STATE fishing license, a copy of boat insurance for all boaters (min. \$300,000 liability).