Salmoides Classic 2027

Congratulations!
Your team has qualified to attend the Classic to be held at Kentucky Lake **APRIL 29th – 30th, 2027** at **KENLAKE RESORT**. Qualifiers are posted at www.Ohiobassangler.com, on the Salmoides page CLASSIC QUALIFIERS link. Buy-ins are accepted for teams which are short one to two events of qualifying. Contact Dirk for more information.

CLASSIC ENTRY OF $150 DOES NOT INCLUDE BIG BASS. BIG BASS WILL BE COLLECTED AT THE CLASSIC MEETING. CLASSIC ENTRY TO BE PAID BY APRIL 22nd, 2027.

Classic Payout
We will pay at least the top 12 places at the Classic, and will increase the number of paid places as funds allow. We will inform you of the final payout when we get the rest of the sponsor money pledged.

Please find in this letter all the information you should need. Any questions you have please feel free to call or email Dirk at 740-272-1496 / davenport.dirk13@yahoo.com

The rules for this special tournament are as follows: **Please read and & follow these rules carefully!**

1. **After receiving this invitation which will be GIVEN to the boaters of each team**
   As of April 24th 2027 at midnight you may not fish with or aggressively obtain any information from any guide, professional fisherperson or local resident pertaining to bass of Kentucky & Barkley Lakes. Violation of this rule will be automatic disqualification. This will be the only restriction on guides and local fishermen for the 2027 classic.
2. There will be no restriction on practice days. **Registration will start at 3 PM (local time) APRIL 28th AT KENLAKE RESORT.**
3. A meeting will take place at 5 PM (local time) APRIL 28th, 2027. The meeting is for receiving boat numbers, going over the rules, giving out some prizes and taking care of any matters that may come up. Teams are encouraged to attend this meeting. **No fishing after this meeting until the start of the tournament.**
4. Tournament starting and stopping times will be determined at the meeting.
7. The classic champions will not have an automatic invitation to next year's classic
5. In case of a 1st place tie, a fish-off will be required unless those teams agree to split prize money.
6. All contestants must wear a coast guard approved vest or preserver while the gasoline motor is running.
7. All state and local laws must be observed and obeyed.
8. Any participant cited during tournament hours for a violation of state, marine, or fishing laws will be disqualified.
9. All fishing must be done from YOUR boat.
10. Only artificial lures, with the exception of pork trailers, will be permitted. Trolling as a method of fishing is prohibited.
11. All boats must be equipped with some type of ignition kill switch. An aeriated live well or aeriated container is mandatory. All boats must comply with the U.S. Coast Guard horsepower rating.
12. Fishing is permitted anywhere within the tournament waters and or connecting waters during specified times, except that no contestant is allowed to fish within 50 feet of public gas dock and any area that has been designated a "No Fishing" area by the governing body of the lake or the tournament directors.
13. All bass will be returned to the tournament waters if found to be in good shape and expected to live.
14. Fishing is not allowed within 50 yards of another competitor's boat which was first anchored. A boat is considered anchored only if it is tied to an object or has an anchor rope over its side with trolling motor out of the water. Power Poles and similar shallow water anchors are considered anchors. Contestants must not depart their boat to land fish. Contestants must leave and return to official check point by boat. In the event of equipment failure or emergency, there shall be two permitted methods for returning to the check

in: (1) by both partners remaining in their boat and being towed by water or (2) by entering the boat of another Salmoides tournament contestant with the teams catch. One contestant may stay with boat.

15. Any occurrence not governed by the rules will be governed by tournament directors. If more interpretation of the rules is needed, Salmoides Tournament directors will make the final interpretation.
16. If you have boat problems the tournament directors will give you all the assistance they can, after tournament hours.
17. Daily limit will be 5 bass per team. All bass must be the stated legal length. Scoring will be total weight combined of largemouth, small mouth, or spotted bass. Length limit on all bass will be the same as the states largemouth legal length. Short fish will be penalized one pound per short fish.
18. One (1) pound from total weight of fish will be deducted for each minute the team is late and the team will be disqualified after five minutes.
19. A penalty of eight (8) ounces per dead fish will be deducted from total weight. All stringed or mangled fish will be rejected from teams catch. Big Bass will also be deducted 8 oz. if dead
20. All contestants will be subject to random polygraph test and must take the tests. Failure or refusal will result in disqualification.
21. **No alternates allowed** to fish the Classic Tournament. If you fish by yourself, you will be allowed 5 bass each day. If a partner cannot make it, you may fish with another qualified team member that is in the same circumstance.
22. All boats and live wells must be checked before the start of the tournament each day.
23. Boat check will begin at 4:30 AM the morning of the tournament.
24. All protests must be made within 10 minutes after weigh-in time.
25. Violation of any of these rules may be cause for suspension or disqualification from this and all future Salmoides tournaments.
26. A courtesy measuring board will be set up for your convenience. Please measure all fish before they come to the scales. Any fish that are doubtful of making the legal limit will be measured. No official will man the courtesy board. Once the fish are taken at the weigh in table only Salmoides officials will be allowed to handle the fish.
27. During the tournament hours, cell phones or any other communication devices may be used for any purpose other than any information pertaining to largemouth, small mouth, or Kentucky (spotted) bass.
28. The boat being used for this tournament must maintain current liability insurance for this Classic Event.

Salmoides Official Housing:

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