

Guide to Hosting Bass Fishing Tournaments In Oregon

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Bass Fishing Tournaments in Oregon

Each year, dozens of bass angling tournaments hosted by local clubs and regional and national organizations are held on waters throughout Oregon. Although tournament sponsors require participants follow good conservation practices, these competitions can place significant pressure on a local fishery and particularly those in lakes and reservoirs that annually attract more than one tournament. The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) has established requirements to ensure the state's bass populations can meet this demand while still providing quality recreational opportunity for other anglers.

The requirements for holding a fishing tournament in Oregon are outlined in Oregon Revised Statute (ORS 498.279) and Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR 635-001-0100 and 635-001-0105). This packet will simplify that information and make it easier for tournament directors and others hosting an angling tournament to plan and conduct the event.

What is a bass angling tournament?

A black bass or bass angling tournament or “contest” is defined as a competition in which prizes are offered for the amount, quality, size, weight, or other physical characteristic of the fish caught where the total value of all cash or merchandise awards exceeds \$25. The general requirements for a bass contest include:

- ✓ The contestants must use aerated live wells or other equipment so that all reasonable efforts are made to maintain the fish taken in a live and healthy condition.
- ✓ All fish caught that are in healthy condition must be immediately returned to the water where they were caught, after weighing. However, in some instances, tournament-caught bass may be used for restocking under the direction of ODFW.
- ✓ Contestants may only use artificial flies and lures, and imitation baits.

I want to host a tournament - what do I need to do?

All angling tournaments must receive prior approval from ODFW. The specific requirements will vary depending on the size of the tournament (i.e. number of boats or anglers you plan to host or expect to participate), but there are essentially five steps that you'll need to take:

1. Determine the size of the tournament.
2. Receive permission or a permit from ODFW and others to hold the tournament.
3. Ensure the event and/or participants can be easily identified.
4. Ensure event participants follow all catch, possession, and release requirements.
5. Report the tournament results to ODFW.

Now let's go through each of these five steps...

STEP 1 Determine the size of the tournament.

Decide first on the size of your tournament and how many anglers and boats will be allowed to participate:

Small Tournament

A small tournament - sometimes referred to as a “club” tournament - will have **fewer than 25 boats or 50 anglers** participating.

Large Tournament

A large tournament - sometimes referred to as an “open” tournament - will have **more than 24 boats or 49 anglers** participating.

STEP 2 Receive permission or a permit from ODFW and others to hold the tournament.

Small Tournament

A permit from ODFW is not required for a small tournament. However, to be legal, **you must notify** the Oregon State Police (OSP) **and** the local ODFW District Fish Biologist of the location, date, and time of the tournament **at least 10 days prior** to the commencement of the event.

Notify ODFW via a phone call to the District Fish Biologist for that area unless you have already established another means of contact. For example, some groups annually provide to the appropriate District(s) a letter or email listing the small tournaments they plan to hold in that area during the coming year. Work with the District Fish Biologist to determine which method they prefer. Table 2 lists the contact information of the ODFW staff for the waterbodies where most tournaments are held.

Notify OSP via a letter addressed to the Lieutenant for that OSP Region. Table 3 lists the contact information of the OSP staff for the waterbodies where most tournaments are held.

NOTE - Other Permits or Permission May Be Needed

Although ODFW does not require a permit for small tournaments, ODFW manages only the fishery and in most cases not the waterbody itself or access. Be sure to first check with the appropriate land manager or land management agency such as the US Forest Service, Army Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Reclamation, County Parks, etc. before holding your tournament as other permits or permission may be required.

Large Tournament

A permit from ODFW is required for a large tournament. Sponsors must apply for permits **at least 30 days prior** to the event. A sample of the ODFW Bass Tournament Permit Application is attached.

The Large Tournament Permit Application and Allocation Process

In 2010, the process by which ODFW accepts large tournament permit applications and allocates those permits was changed. Tournament sponsors requested this change to avoid conflicts that can arise over competition for a limited number of permits available for some waters. The new requirements adopted by the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission in 2010 include the following provisions:

- ODFW will accept applications for large bass tournaments beginning **November 1** of the year preceding the year in which the proposed event will be held. Requests will be processed in order of time they were received at the Bend ODFW office (address on the permit application) beginning **December 15**.

NOTE: If the number of applications for a waterbody is less than the number of permits available then those received earlier will get preference for event dates. However, the earlier receive date will not guarantee a permit if the number of applications is greater than the number of available permits. In that case, a draw as described below will be needed to allocate permits after any grandfather allocation.

- If an organization has applied for and received a tournament permit for a particular waterbody continuously for the past 25 years, that organization will receive **grandfather rights** to a permit on that waterbody. The grandfather right includes preference among all other successful permit recipients for selecting an event date. That organization will retain grandfather rights as long as it:
 1. Continuously reapplies for a permit for that waterbody every year;
 2. Draws a minimum of 50 participants for any two years in a 3-year period.

If an organization with grandfather rights fails to meet the above criteria, ODFW shall rescind that organization's grandfather rights, in which case it must apply for a permit under the same process as all other groups. However, before a grandfather right is revoked, ODFW may become involved in determining if issues such as safety, weather, or other unforeseeable events **beyond the control of the organization** would prevent meeting the requirements and preclude revocation of the grandfather status.

- **After any organizations with grandfather rights are allotted permits**, the remaining permits for a waterbody will be awarded through the following system:
 1. If the number of applicants is less than the number of available permits then all applicants will receive a permit provided there will be no scheduling conflicts (*see page 9 under Large Tournament*).
 2. If the number of applicants is greater than the number of available permits then the remaining permits will be allocated to the competing applicants using a random draw:

- a. Applicants successful in the random draw will receive a permit. However, if a draw is again needed to issue permits the following year, they will enter that draw with 0 points.
 - b. If an organization is unsuccessful in the random draw, they will receive 1 point toward a potential draw for permits the following year. Every year that an organization applies for a remaining permit and does not draw one, that organization receives an additional 1 point. An organization can only receive a maximum of 1 point per waterbody per year. An organization must apply every year to retain their points, otherwise their accumulated points go to 0.
3. If the number of applicants is greater than the number of available permits **and** there are applicants who have accumulated points from previous draws, permits are first allocated either:
 - a. To the applicant with the most points or
 - b. By random draw among the applicants with the most points.

If permits are still available after this allocation, they will be allocated to the applicant with the next highest number of points and so on until all authorized permits are allocated.

4. If the number of applicants is less than the number of available permits **and** there are applicants with accumulated points, all applicants will receive a permit and any with points lose those points.
5. If an organization with a permit applies for an additional permit for that same waterbody, it will only be considered after all applicants without permits have been granted one.



Other Non-ODFW Permits Required for Large Tournaments

The Oregon State Marine Board (OSMB) requires a separate Marine Event Permit for tournaments that will have more than 24 boats or 49 anglers (see the note below for more information and how to contact the OSMB for a Marine Event Permit application).

NOTE - OSMB Permit Requirement for Large or Permitted Tournaments

Tournaments with more than 24 boats or 49 participating individuals - those defined by ODFW as large tournaments - are defined by the Oregon State Marine Board (OSMB) as a Marine Event and also require a permit from that agency.

For the OSMB permit, the event sponsor is responsible for obtaining all required endorsement signatures and forwarding the permit application through the application process. The completed marine event permit application must reach the OSMB office at least 30 days prior to the scheduled activity. Also note the U.S. Coast Guard permits all marine events for the Willamette River from the Columbia River to the Willamette Falls. The Coast Guard marine event applications must be submitted no later than 135 days prior to the event.

Information about this permit and the application process can be found at the OSMB web site <http://www.oregon.gov/OSMB/BoatLaws/Pages/Events.aspx>.

STEP 3 Ensure the event and/or participants can be easily identified.

Small Tournament

The sponsor must ensure that all boats participating in a small tournament are clearly marked as “Contestant” or “Tournament” in a manner visible without magnification from a minimum distance of 50 yards.

Large Tournament

The sponsor of a large tournament, or a designated representative at the tournament location, must be in possession of the large tournament permit issued by ODFW. The permit must be shown to OSP, ODFW, and other law enforcement or facility management employees on request. A sample of the Bass Tournament permit is attached.



STEP 4 Ensure event participants follow all catch, possession, and release requirements.

Small and Large Tournaments

The sponsor must ensure that all participants follow the **catch and possession restrictions** that apply to all bass fishing tournaments:

- a. Participants competing as individuals may continue to fish while holding five bass of any size in the livewell, as long as one of the bass is released immediately upon catching a bass.
- b. Two-person teams may continue to fish while holding 10 bass of any size in the livewell, regardless of the number of bass caught by each angler, as long as one of the bass is released immediately when either team member catches a bass. The released bass may be either the bass just caught, or from the livewell. However, if the number of participants on any single boat is three or more anglers, the possession limit per boat is limited to 10 bass of any size.

The sponsor must ensure that all participants follow the **fish release requirements** that apply to all bass fishing tournaments:

- a. Live fish must be released in scattered locations **at least one mile** from the weigh-in site or at locations designated by ODFW. The tournament director or a designee may exceed possession limits for the purpose of transporting fish from the weigh-in site to release sites on the same water.

NOTE - Catch and Release Angling

Proper care and handling of any caught fish, even those not kept for weigh-in, is an important skill that all tournament anglers must possess. The release of healthy fish after the tournament weigh-in contributes to the success of future events and ensures other anglers can also enjoy a quality fishing opportunity. For information about catch and release angling and angling ethics, visit the ODFW web site at www.dfw.state.or.us/resources/fishing/ethics.

Another good resource on the care and handling of tournament-caught fish is the BASS publication *Keeping Bass Alive: A Guidebook for Anglers and Tournament Organizers*. The guide discusses:

- ✓ What can stress or injure fish and why.
- ✓ How to hook, land, and handle caught fish.
- ✓ How to provide healthy conditions in the livewell.
- ✓ How to set-up and manage the weigh-in site.
- ✓ How to release the fish.

You can get a copy by contacting BASS or by visiting the BASS web site at:

<http://www.bassmaster.com/tips/keeping-bass-alive>. A longer version can be found at:
http://assets.espn.go.com/winnercomm/outdoors/bassmaster/pdf/Keeping_Bass_Alive.pdf.

Tournament anglers are highly visible to area residents, and other anglers, boaters, and lake users. It's important to demonstrate your concern for the fishery, particularly at the weigh-in site, so show and educate the public about the steps you are taking to care for the fish.

NOTE - Common Courtesy

Your tournament will likely be sharing the lake with other anglers, boaters, campers and, in some cases, shoreline homeowners. Make sure the tournament participants are courteous and respect area residents and these other users. Don't allow event participants to "take over" parking areas, boat ramps, marinas, and popular fishing spots. An early morning start that begins with a horn blast or even the sound of a large number of boats racing off to their favorite fishing holes can be disruptive. Take steps to ensure your organization and tournament bass fishing will continue to be a welcomed guest.

STEP 5 Report the tournament results to ODFW.

Small Tournament

There are no reporting requirements for small tournaments. However, sponsors are **encouraged** to submit tournament effort and catch information using the ODFW Bass Tournament Report form. Tournament information is used by ODFW to monitor the status of fish populations and develop future management actions. A sample of the form is attached.

Large Tournament

The sponsor **is required** to report the results of a large tournament to ODFW **not later than 30 days** after the end of the event using the ODFW Bass Tournament Report form. **Failure to do so can result in denial of future permits.**

The sponsor **is required** to record and report the number and weight of smallmouth and largemouth bass **separately**. In other words, you must report the number of largemouth bass and how much they weighed, **and** the number of smallmouth bass and how much they weighed. Reporting the number of smallmouth and largemouth bass and a combined weight is not acceptable and **will not** meet reporting requirements. **Failure to submit reports that meet this requirement will be grounds for denial of bass tournament permits in the future.**

A sample of the tournament reporting form is attached.

The Fish and Wildlife Commission may order closure of any waters to tournaments when the Commission considers such action necessary to protect wildlife resources.



Other Commonly Asked Questions

The lake where we want to hold a tournament has special regulations (the 15-inch maximum length on Tenmile Lakes for example). Can we bring fish in for the weigh-in that would otherwise be illegal to possess?

As you read above in **STEP 4** regarding **catch and possession restrictions**, tournament anglers are exempt from normal bag and length limits so it's important you're able to show that the anglers are participating in an approved tournament. For a large tournament, you'll need to have a tournament permit issued by ODFW. For a small tournament, you'll need to have contacted OSP and the local ODFW biologist and have tournament banners visible showing you are conducting a small tournament.

We want to host a tournament on the Columbia River. Do we also need a Washington permit or Washington fishing licenses?

A large or small tournament held on the Columbia River that launches from Oregon and/or fishes Oregon waters (waters between two points of Oregon land such as a slough, bay or cove on the Oregon side) requires a permit from ODFW (large) or that ODFW and OSP be notified (small) as outlined above. The tournament **does not** need a Washington permit to fish along the Washington shore of the Columbia if:

- a) The participants **are not** fishing in water beyond two points of Washington land (i.e., a slough, bay or cove on the Washington side) or
- b) The participants **are not** in the mainstem of the Columbia upstream from the Oregon/Washington state boundary (i.e. McNary Pool north of the Oregon boundary).

We want to host a tournament on Brownlee Reservoir, which lies on the Oregon-Idaho border. Do the tournament anglers need to have a fishing license from Oregon, Idaho, or both states? From which state do we need to obtain a tournament permit?

- a) If the tournament anglers are fishing the main body of Brownlee Reservoir and/or water between two points of Idaho land such as the Brownlee Creek arm they need only an Oregon or Idaho angling license and can fish under a tournament permit issued by Oregon or Idaho.
- b) If the tournament anglers are fishing in water between two points of Oregon land such as the Powder River arm, they need an Oregon angling license. However, the tournament permit can be issued by Oregon or Idaho.

Are there any restrictions on the size of a tournament that can be held, or on the number of tournaments that can be held annually on any particular waterbody?

Small Tournament

There are no restrictions on the number of small tournaments that may be held on a waterbody. However, tournament hosts will want to coordinate with one another as is practical to avoid holding two small events on the same day.

ODFW will not typically deny a small tournament request only because another small tournament is scheduled for the same water on the same day. Any potential conflicts that may arise between groups due to the scheduling of small tournaments will need to be resolved by the tournament hosts.

Large Tournament

No more than one large or permitted tournament may be held on any water body within any thirteen-day period, except for the Columbia River (see below). This effectively means that one-day events could be held on the same water no more often than alternate Saturdays. A two-day (Saturday-Sunday) event limits the next two-day event to the third weekend following the first event or a one-day event to the second Sunday following the first two-day event.

The frequency and size of large tournaments is further limited as follows by the surface area of the water on which the event will be held as defined by the Atlas of Oregon Lakes (OSU Press, 1985):

Surface Area at Full Pool (acres)	Maximum Number of Permitted Tournaments per Calendar Year	Maximum Number of Boats per Tournament
< 900	0	0
901-1,500	4	50
1,501-5,000	6	75
>5,000	8	No limit

Table 1 shows the maximum number of large tournaments that can be held annually on some of the more popular tournament waters in Oregon, and the maximum number of participating boats allowed.

Columbia River Tournaments

More than one tournament may be held in any 13 day period on the Columbia River downstream from Bonneville Dam, including the Willamette River upstream to Willamette Falls, and the Columbia River impoundments provided the tournament launch sites are 10 or more river miles apart as defined by the River mile Index for the Main Stem Columbia River (Hydrology Subcommittee of the Columbia Basin Inter-Agency Committee, 1962) and the Willamette River Recreation Guide (Oregon State marine Board and Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, 1998).

We take good care of the fish caught during tournaments, but occasionally we do have some fish die. What are we supposed to do with the dead fish?

It is **illegal** for the participants or the tournament sponsor to keep fish after a tournament ends. However, the tournament director may dispose of **fish that die** during or as a result of tournament activities in the following manner:

- The fish may be donated in accordance with local bag and possession limits to individuals at the weigh-in site not participating in or with the tournament. The tournament sponsor must issue a receipt for donated fish that must stay with the fish. The receipt must include the name of the recipient and the species and number of fish donated.

The tournament director may exceed the bag or possession limit in order to transport and dispose of dead fish as specified by ODFW, or to donate them to:

- Public and charitable institutions such as welfare organizations, churches, etc.
- Persons determined to be eligible because of low income or medical reasons.
- Wildlife rehabilitators licensed by ODFW.
- Rendering plants or pet food manufacturers.

If you have any questions, please contact the ODFW Warmwater Program staff:

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HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD OF AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES

Oregon bass anglers participate in tournaments throughout the state and west, and even across the country. The movement of boats, trailers, and other equipment between waterbodies presents the risk of transporting invasive plants and animals and introducing them into new waters.

The potential for introducing zebra and quagga mussels is currently receiving the most attention in Oregon because of the significant and costly damage they may cause. Invasive mussels have appeared in lakes and reservoirs in Arizona, Nevada, and California, neighboring states that many tournament anglers travel to and from. In addition to preventing new introductions, anglers must help prevent the further spread within our state of plants and animals such as Eurasian watermilfoil and the New Zealand mud snail that have already damaged aquatic ecosystems and fisheries.

Regardless of your tournament location, please ensure that all participating boats are clean and that anglers are doing their part to prevent the spread of invasive species. For more information visit the Oregon State Marine Board at:

<http://www.oregon.gov/OSMB/Clean/pages/aisppfaqspage.aspx#top>.

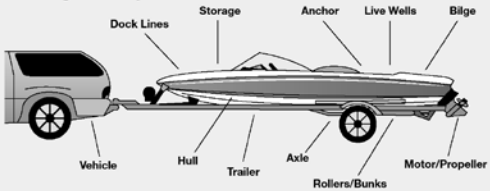
STOP OREGON'S INVADERS!

Protect Oregon's Waterways

STATE LAW requires all watercraft 10' long and longer to possess an Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Permit.

STATE LAW prohibits launching a boat with ANY aquatic species on the hull, motor, trailer or any other exterior surface.

Always Inspect and Clean these Areas



CLEAN all aquatic plants, animals and mud from your vehicle, boat, motor or trailer and discard in the trash. Rinse, scrub or pressure wash, as appropriate away from storm drains, ditches or waterways.


DRAIN livewell, bilge and all internal compartments.

DRY your boat between uses if possible. Leave compartments open and sponge out standing water.


Clean Boats Protect Clean Waterways

To report invasive species call 1-866-INVADER (468-2337)
 Or report at www.oregoninvasiveshotline.org
 For more information visit www.boatoregon.com

INVASIVE SPECIES IN OREGON




EURASIAN WATERMILFOIL
(Myriophyllum spicatum)




NEW ZEALAND MUDSNAILS
(Potamopyrgus antipodanus)

INVASIVE SPECIES NEAR OUR BORDERS



HYDRILLA
(Hydrilla verticillata)



ZEBRA / QUAGGA MUSSELS
(Dreissena spp.)














Table 1. The maximum number of large tournaments (more than 24 boats or 49 anglers) that can be held annually on some of the more popular tournament waters in Oregon, and the maximum number of participating boats allowed.

Waterbody by Size (surface area)	
Less than 900 acres Devils Lake	No open tournaments permitted
901 to 1,500 acres Bully Creek Reservoir Cottage Grove Reservoir Hyatt Reservoir McKay Reservoir North Tenmile Lake Phillips Reservoir	4 tournaments permitted per year; 50 boat limit
1,501 to 5,000 acres Crane Prairie Reservoir Dorena Reservoir Fall Creek Reservoir Green Peter Reservoir Hells Canyon Reservoir Hills Creek Reservoir Howard Prairie Reservoir Lake Billy Chinook Lost Creek Reservoir North and South Tenmile Lakes (combined) Prineville Reservoir Siltcoos Lake South Tenmile Lake (Tenmile Lake) Tahkenitch lake Warm Springs Reservoir	6 tournaments permitted per year; 75 boat limit
Larger than 5,000 Acres Bonneville Pool Brownlee Reservoir Col R below Bonneville Dam (includes tournaments launched on Lower Willamette R) Fern Ridge Reservoir John Day Pool (Lake Umatilla) McNary Pool (Lake Wallula) Owyhee Reservoir The Dalles Pool (Lake Celilo)	8 tournaments per year; no boat limit

Table 2. List by Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations Zone and waterbody of ODFW staff to contact before holding a small fishing tournament (fewer than 25 boats or 50 anglers).

Fishing Regulations Zone	Waterbody	ODFW Fish Biologist	ODFW Office	ODFW Phone	ODFW Mailing Address
Northwest	Cullaby Lake	North Coast	Tillamook	(503) 842-2741	4907 Third St, Tillamook OR 97141
	Devils Lake	Mid Coast	Newport	(541) 265-8306	810 SW Alder St, Unit C, Newport OR 97365
	Mercer Lake	Mid Coast	Newport	(541) 265-8306	810 SW Alder St, Unit C, Newport OR 97365
	Siltcoos Lake	Mid Coast	Newport	(541) 265-8306	810 SW Alder St, Unit C, Newport OR 97365
	Tahkenitch Lake	Mid Coast	Newport	(541) 265-8306	810 SW Alder St, Unit C, Newport OR 97365
	Triangle Lake	Mid Coast	Newport	(541) 265-8306	810 SW Alder St, Unit C, Newport OR 97365
	Woahink Lake	Mid Coast	Newport	(541) 265-8306	810 SW Alder St, Unit C, Newport OR 97365
Southwest	Applegate Reservoir	Upper Rogue	Central Point	(541) 826-8774	1495 East Gregory Rd, Central Point OR 97502
	Ben Irving Reservoir	Umpqua	Roseburg	(541) 440-3353	4192 N Umpqua Hwy, Roseburg OR 97470
	Cooper Creek Reservoir	Umpqua	Roseburg	(541) 440-3353	4192 N Umpqua Hwy, Roseburg OR 97470
	Eel Lake	Coos-Coquille	Charleston	(541) 888-5515	PO Box 5430 63538 Boat Basin Dr, Charleston OR 97420
	Emigrant Reservoir	Upper Rogue	Central Point	(541) 826-8774	1495 East Gregory Rd, Central Point OR 97502
	Galesville Reservoir	Umpqua	Roseburg	(541) 440-3353	4192 N Umpqua Hwy, Roseburg OR 97470
	Garrison Lake	South Coast	Gold Beach	(541) 247-7605	PO Box 642 29907 Airport Way, Gold Beach OR 97444
	Howard Prairie Reservoir	Upper Rogue	Central Point	(541) 826-8774	1495 East Gregory Rd, Central Point OR 97502
	Hyatt Reservoir	Upper Rogue	Central Point	(541) 826-8774	1495 East Gregory Rd, Central Point OR 97502
	Loon Lake	Umpqua	Roseburg	(541) 440-3353	4192 N Umpqua Hwy, Roseburg OR 97470
	Lost Creek Reservoir	Upper Rogue	Central Point	(541) 826-8774	1495 East Gregory Rd, Central Point OR 97502
	North Tenmile Lake	Coos-Coquille	Charleston	(541) 888-5515	PO Box 5430 63538 Boat Basin Dr, Charleston OR 97420
	South Tenmile Lake	Coos-Coquille	Charleston	(541) 888-5515	PO Box 5430 63538 Boat Basin Dr, Charleston OR 97420
Umpqua River (lower)	Umpqua	Roseburg	(541) 440-3353	4192 N Umpqua Hwy, Roseburg OR 97470	
Willamette	Cottage Grove Reservoir	Upper Willamette	Springfield	(541) 726-3515	3150 E Main St, Springfield OR 97478-5800
	Dorena Reservoir	Upper Willamette	Springfield	(541) 726-3515	3150 E Main St, Springfield OR 97478-5800
	Fall Creek Reservoir	Upper Willamette	Springfield	(541) 726-3515	3150 E Main St, Springfield OR 97478-5800
	Fern Ridge Reservoir	Mid Willamette	Corvallis	(541) 757-4186	7118 NE Vandenberg Ave, Corvallis OR 97330-9446
	Foster Reservoir	Mid Willamette	Corvallis	(541) 757-4186	7118 NE Vandenberg Ave, Corvallis OR 97330-9446
	Green Peter Reservoir	Mid Willamette	Corvallis	(541) 757-4186	7118 NE Vandenberg Ave, Corvallis OR 97330-9446
	Henry Hagg Lake	Lower Willamette West	Clackamas	(971) 673-6000	17330 SE Evelyn St, Clackamas OR 97015
	Hills Creek Reservoir	Upper Willamette	Springfield	(541) 726-3515	3150 E Main St, Springfield OR 97478-5800
	Lookout Point Reservoir	Upper Willamette	Springfield	(541) 726-3515	3150 E Main St, Springfield OR 97478-5800
	Willamette River (lower)	Lower Willamette East	Clackamas	(971) 673-6000	17330 SE Evelyn St, Clackamas OR 97015
	Willamette River (upper)	Mid Willamette	Corvallis	(541) 757-4186	7118 NE Vandenberg Ave, Corvallis OR 97330-9446

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Fishing Regulations Zone	Waterbody	ODFW Fish Biologist	ODFW Office	ODFW Phone	ODFW Mailing Address
Central	Crane Prairie Reservoir	Deschutes	Bend	(541) 388-6363	61374 Parrell Rd, Bend OR 97702
	Haystack Reservoir	Deschutes	Bend	(541) 388-6363	61374 Parrell Rd, Bend OR 97702
	Lake Billy Chinook	Deschutes	Bend	(541) 388-6363	61374 Parrell Rd, Bend OR 97702
	Prineville Reservoir	Deschutes	Bend	(541) 388-6363	61374 Parrell Rd, Bend OR 97702
	Wickiup Reservoir	Deschutes	Bend	(541) 388-6363	61374 Parrell Rd, Bend OR 97702
Northeast	McKay Reservoir	Umatilla	Pendleton	(541) 276-2344	73741 Mytinger Lane, Pendleton OR 97801
	Willow Creek Reservoir	Umatilla	Pendleton	(541) 276-2344	73741 Mytinger Lane, Pendleton OR 97801
Southeast	Bully Creek Reservoir	Malheur	Hines	(541) 573-6582	PO Box 8, Hines, OR 97738
	Gerber Reservoir	Klamath	Klamath Falls	(541) 883-5732	1850 Miller Island Rd. W, Klamath Falls OR 97603
	Lake of the Woods	Klamath	Klamath Falls	(541) 883-5732	1850 Miller Island Rd. W, Klamath Falls OR 97603
	Owyhee Reservoir	Malheur	Hines	(541) 573-6582	PO Box 8, Hines, OR 97738
	Phillips Reservoir	La Grande	LaGrande	(541) 963-2138	107 20 th St, La Grande OR 97850
	Thief Valley Reservoir	La Grande	LaGrande	(541) 963-2138	107 20 th St, La Grande OR 97850
	JC Boyle (Topsy) Reservoir	Klamath	Klamath Falls	(541) 883-5732	1850 Miller Island Rd. W, Klamath Falls OR 97603
	Warm Spring Reservoir	Malheur	Hines	(541) 388-6363	PO Box 8, Hines, OR 97738
	Unity Reservoir	La Grande	LaGrande	(541) 963-2138	107 20 th St, La Grande OR 97850
	Willow Valley Reservoir	Klamath	Klamath Falls	(541) 883-5732	1850 Miller Island Rd. W, Klamath Falls OR 97603
Snake R	Hells Canyon Reservoir	La Grande	La Grande	(541) 963-2138	107 20 th St, La Grande OR 97850
	Oxbow Reservoir	La Grande	La Grande	(541) 963-2138	107 20 th St, La Grande OR 97850
	Brownlee Reservoir	La Grande	La Grande	(541) 963-2138	107 20 th St, La Grande OR 97850
Columbia R	Col R (below Bonneville)	Lower Willamette East	Clackamas	(971) 673-6000	17330 SE Evelyn St, Clackamas OR 97015
	Col R – Bonneville Pool	Mid Columbia	The Dalles	(541) 296-4628	3701 W 13 th St, The Dalles OR 97058
	Col R – The Dalles Pool	Mid Columbia	The Dalles	(541) 296-4628	3701 W 13 th St, The Dalles OR 97058
	Col R – John Day Pool	Umatilla	Pendleton	(541) 276-2344	73741 Mytinger Lane, Pendleton OR 97801
	Col R – McNary Pool	Umatilla	Pendleton	(541) 276-2344	73741 Mytinger Lane, Pendleton OR 97801

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Northwest	Cullaby Lake	Northwest	Lt. Josh Brooks	3710 Portland Rd NE, Salem, OR 97303
	Devils Lake	Northwest	Lt. Josh Brooks	3710 Portland Rd NE, Salem, OR 97303
	Mercer Lake	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Siltcoos Lake	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Tahkenitch Lake	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Triangle Lake	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Woahink Lake	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
Southwest	Applegate Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Ben Irving Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Cooper Creek Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Eel Lake	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Emigrant Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Galesville Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Garrison Lake	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Howard Prairie Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Hyatt Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Loon Lake	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Lost Creek Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	North Tenmile Lake	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	South Tenmile Lake	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
Umpqua River (lower)	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502	
Willamette	Cottage Grove Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Dorena Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Fall Creek Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Fern Ridge Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Foster Reservoir	Northwest	Lt. Josh Brooks	3710 Portland Rd NE, Salem, OR 97303
	Green Peter Reservoir	Northwest	Lt. Josh Brooks	3710 Portland Rd NE, Salem, OR 97303
	Henry Hagg Lake	Northwest	Lt. Josh Brooks	3710 Portland Rd NE, Salem, OR 97303
	Hills Creek Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Lookout Point Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Willamette River (lower)	Northwest	Lt. Josh Brooks	3710 Portland Rd NE, Salem, OR 97303
Willamette River (upper)	Northwest	Lt. Josh Brooks	3710 Portland Rd NE, Salem, OR 97303	

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Central	Crane Prairie Reservoir	East	Lt. Don Wagner	20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Suite 100, Bend, OR 97701
	Haystack Reservoir	East	Lt. Don Wagner	20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Suite 100, Bend, OR 97701
	Lake Billy Chinook	East	Lt. Don Wagner	20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Suite 100, Bend, OR 97701
	Prineville Reservoir	East	Lt. Don Wagner	20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Suite 100, Bend, OR 97701
	Wickiup Reservoir	East	Lt. Don Wagner	20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Suite 100, Bend, OR 97701
Northeast	McKay Reservoir	East	Lt. Don Wagner	20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Suite 100, Bend, OR 97701
	Willow Creek Reservoir	East	Lt. Don Wagner	20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Suite 100, Bend, OR 97701
Southeast	Bully Creek Reservoir	East	Lt. Don Wagner	20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Suite 100, Bend, OR 97701
	Gerber Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Lake of the Woods	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
	Owyhee Reservoir	East	Lt. Don Wagner	20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Suite 100, Bend, OR 97701
	Phillips Reservoir	East	Lt. Don Wagner	20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Suite 100, Bend, OR 97701
	Thief Valley Reservoir	East	Lt. Don Wagner	20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Suite 100, Bend, OR 97701
	Topsy Reservoir	East	Lt. Don Wagner	20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Suite 100, Bend, OR 97701
	Warm Spring Reservoir	East	Lt. Don Wagner	20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Suite 100, Bend, OR 97701
	Unity Reservoir	East	Lt. Don Wagner	20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Suite 100, Bend, OR 97701
	Willow Valley Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. David Gifford	4500 Rogue Valley Hwy Suite A, Central Point, OR 97502
Snake R	Hells Canyon Reservoir	East	Lt. Don Wagner	20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Suite 100, Bend, OR 97701
	Oxbow Reservoir	East	Lt. Don Wagner	20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Suite 100, Bend, OR 97701
	Brownlee Reservoir	East	Lt. Don Wagner	20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Suite 100, Bend, OR 97701
Columbia R	Col R (below Bonneville)	Northwest	Lt. Josh Brooks	3710 Portland Rd NE, Salem, OR 97303
	Col R – Bonneville Pool	East	Lt. Don Wagner	20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Suite 100, Bend, OR 97701
	Col R – The Dalles Pool	East	Lt. Don Wagner	20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Suite 100, Bend, OR 97701
	Col R – John Day Pool	East	Lt. Don Wagner	20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Suite 100, Bend, OR 97701
	Col R – McNary Pool	East	Lt. Don Wagner	20355 Poe Sholes Drive, Suite 100, Bend, OR 97701

BASS TOURNAMENT PERMIT APPLICATION

1. Application Date: _____ Year: _____
2. The _____ requests a permit for a
(Organization)
bass tournament to be held at _____
(Location and access sites)
on _____
(Dates)
3. Starting Time: First Day _____ Second Day _____
Ending Time: First Day _____ Second Day _____
Weigh-In Time: First Day _____ Second Day _____
4. Maximum number of boats allowed: _____ (waters of 900-1500 acres,
not to exceed 50 boats; waters of 1501-5000 acres, not to exceed 75 boats; bigger
waters have no legal boat limit).
5. Values of top 10 prizes: _____

6. How will fish be maintained for live release? _____

7. Person signing on the line below acknowledges familiarity with the legal
requirements of ORS 498.279 and Oregon Administrative Rule 635-01-105 which
regulate bass tournaments.

_____/_____
(Signature of Responsible Person) (Print Name)

_____/_____
(Address) (Phone)
8. Remarks: _____

9. Return To:

Terry Shrader
Oregon Dept. of Fish & Wildlife
61374 Parrell Road
Bend, OR 97702
Ph: (541) 633-1114
FAX: (541) 388-6049
Email: terry.m.shrader@state.or.us

BASS TOURNAMENT PERMIT

Permit Date: _____ The : _____
(Organization)

is authorized to hold a bass tournament on _____
(Dates)

at: _____ A Maximum of : _____ boats
(Location)

are authorized. The responsible party is: _____
(Name)

(Phone) (Address)

The following requirements and those of ORS 498.279 and OAR 635-01-105 must be observed:

1. This permit must be available at the tournament site for inspection by ODFW or Oregon State Police.
2. **Tournament results must be reported to ODFW no later than 30 days following the tournament.**
3. No bass may be retained by tournament sponsors or participants.
4. Persons or organizations violating the provisions of this permit or ORS 498.279 or OAR 635-01-105 are subject to fine and denial of future permits.

Authorizing Signature

Distribution:
District
Biologist -
OSP
-
File



Department of Fish and Wildlife

BASS TOURNAMENT REPORT

Report Date: _____ Year: _____

Location: _____ Dates: _____

Organization: _____

	First Day	Second Day	Total
Number of anglers			
Beginning time			
Ending time			
Number of weigh-ins			
Angler hours (leave blank)			

Minimum bass length: _____

Bag limit: _____ Bass Per Team Per Person:

<u>Catch</u>	Number	Weight	Number Dead	Cause of Death
Largemouth bass:				
Smallmouth bass:				
Total:				

Water temperature and time taken (if known): _____

Person reporting: _____
Name

Address Phone

Comments: _____

Return of this report within 30 days after the tournament is required by law.

Return report to: Terry Shrader
Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
61374 Parrell Rd
Bend, Oregon 97702