

MINI-CASSIA BASSERS
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2018 MILNER OPEN BASS TOURNAMENT OFFICAL RULES

- 1) Each contestant, hereafter referred to as the "angler", is responsible for knowledge of and adherence to the Official Rules.
- 2) All Federal, state, and local fishing and boating laws apply. PFDs must be worn when the boat is on plane. Any violation will result in the team being disqualified. Discourteous or unsafe boat handling or disregard for the property of others will result in disqualification. Complaints should be delivered in writing to the tournament director before the end of the weigh-in.
- 3) Boats must be covered by minimum \$100,000 liability insurance. Aerated live-well or equivalent is required in each boat. Underwater cameras are not allowed.
- 4) Milner reservoir is off-limits from 11:59PM **5-28-2018** until the start of the tournament.
- 5) Team limit: 5 bass of at least 12 inches in length. Fish will be measured, mouth closed, using Wille-Go-Flat board; the open tail may be swept to touch the line; the tail fin may not be touched during measuring. No culling is allowed at the launch site or after the boat is trailered. No dead fish may be culled. Fish must be brought to the scales in bags distributed by the tournament director. Big fish must be alive to be eligible for big fish payout and only one big fish payout will be awarded per team. A penalty of .25 pounds will be assessed for each dead fish. Any team with more than 5 fish in possession will be disqualified. Each team is responsible for signing and retaining their official weight slip available immediately upon the weighmaster announcing the official weight for that team.
- 6) One two-angler team per boat. Each angler must be at 16 years of age or accompanied by an adult.
- 7) No alcoholic beverages allowed in boat and no angler may be under the influence of alcohol and/or illegal drugs during tournament hours as they are stated on the IDF&G permit.
- 8) No boat should approach to within 50' of another boat or fisherman without permission. Common courtesy should apply.
- 9) Only artificial lures are allowed with the exception of pork type trailer baits. An angler may have an unlimited number of rods but may only have one line in the water at any given time. Landing nets are allowed.
- 10) At the start of the tournament, the tournament director will announce the official time and will draw and assign numbers for order of departure. The tournament will end at 3:30PM, at which time all teams must be present at the launch site. A penalty of one pound of weight for each minute of arrival past 3:30pm will be assessed. Team returning more than 5 minutes late will be disqualified.
- 11) In the event of a breakdown a fellow angler may transport one or both team members and their catch to the weigh-in.
- 12) The teams with the heaviest catches will win the total weight awards. In the event of a tie in total weight, the team weighing the heaviest individual fish will win the award in question.
- 13) No angler may leave the boat during the tournament except during emergencies or to use restroom facilities. When using restroom facilities, only one angler may leave the boat at any given time and the other angler may not fish during that time.
- 14) The decision(s) of the tournament director regarding any rule and/or penalty will be final. Any complaints against a competing team or angler must be lodged, in writing, before the end of the weigh-in period.