

WBA 2006 Tournament

Rules & Regulations

- Open to all members in good standing. Pre-registration is required. Entry fee: \$20.00
- The big fish pot is a daily contest within the tournament. It is optional and is \$5.00 for each day. (This is separate from the official "Big Fish" of the tournament).
- Each contestant will receive a (1) raffle ticket at registration. More tickets will be made available prior to the raffle. (2 for \$5)
- All tournaments are catch and release for largemouth and smallmouth bass. Every effort must be made to keep the fish alive. There will be a (5) fish 12" or better daily limit. (Note: The Lake Goodwin night tournament will be considered (1) day of fishing.
- A 4 oz. penalty will be assessed for each dead fish brought to the weigh-in. A 1 lb penalty will be assessed for short fish brought to the scale. No other species may be kept while participating in a Washington state sanctioned contest.
- All fish must be caught in a sporting manner, from a boat, with a rod, reel and artificial lures. All anglers must follow all local, state and/or federal laws and regulations. Failure to do so will be reason for disqualification.
- Safety and good sportsmanship is mandatory. A life vest must be worn by all people onboard the boat and a "kill switch" attached to the driver while the "gas" motor is running.
- Boaters must operate their boats in a safe manner and a safe distance from others.
- A boat "safety" and livewell check may be performed at the tournament director's discretion. All boats must meet Coast Guard approved requirements and will be the responsibility of the owner to ensure that the boat is equipped with a functioning livewell, bilge pump and liability insurance.
- The "Team" tournament will be a draw for partner event. No more than (5) fish on the boat at any time. (Except while culling). Each person will pay an entry fee. There will be a combined (\$5+\$5) per team Big fish contest.
- Back seaters are expected to help on the cost of operating the boat as well as launching operations if needed.
- Off-limits periods
Local: Prior Monday morning (12:00am) to tournament start time.

Travel: Prior Monday morning (12:00am) to Friday morning (12:00am).

- **Start times will be announced at the regular general meeting prior to the contest. A drivers meeting will be held at the launch area 30 minutes prior to the blast off. (All times are subject to change).**
- **Weigh-in times to be announced at the drivers meeting. Any contestant not in the official weigh-in area at the appointed time shall be penalized (1) lb per minute, if more than (15) m late the angler shall lose credit for the entire days catch.**

***These rules apply to 2006 only, they are in addition to the existing rules and regulations but take precedence in the event of a rules conflict**