

2026 NEBASSIN 2-DAY REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP FORM
(\$220 ENTRY PER BOAT QUALIFIED & \$290 IF INVITED - ADD \$20 TOTAL FOR OPTIONAL SPLIT LUNKER-2DAYS)



Partner 1: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Email: _____
Phone: _____

BOAT Brand and color: _____
Partner 2: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Email: _____
Phone: _____

NE BASSIN Tournament Rules

Liability release: In signing this agreement, I signify that I have read and understood all rules and I hereby release NE BASSIN Tournament fishing circuit, its officers, sponsors, agents, and employees, from any and all damages, claims, demands, cost, or expense relating to injury of any persons or damages to any property to any property which I may cause by reason of participating in or in connection with any NE BASSIN Tournament Fishing event. Covenant Not To Sue and Waiver of Subrogation: I further agree that I will never sue NE BASSIN Tournament Circuit for damages on account of any injury damage that I suffer or cause whether known now or which may develop in the future in connection with this or any other NE BASSIN Tournament fishing event. I expressly agree to indemnify and hold NE BASSIN Tournament Fishing Circuit harmless from any liability whatsoever, including court cost and attorney's fees arising with respect to such action. I understand that in waiving my rights to sue NE BASSIN Circuit, I am waiving the right to recovery from NE BASSIN Tournament Fishing Circuit for liability. Verification of liability insurance: I further state that I am a current member of NE BASSIN Tournament Fishing Circuit and that I maintain liability insurance on the boat I will use in any NE BASSIN Tournament Fishing event. Construction: If this agreement and the release, covenant, and waivers contained here in are found by any court to be overly broad in any manner, I ask the court to interpret it as broadly as possible. Reading and Understanding: I signify by my signature that I have read and understood the above agreement and all NE BASSIN Rules.

1. NE BASSIN 2-Day Tournament: NE BASSIN 2-Day Tournament will be held on Thursday and Friday July 31st and Aug 1st in NY at Lake Champlain. The Tournament is a "\$220.00" per team entry fee. The NE BASSIN REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Tournament EVENT is valued at over \$5,000 CASH AND PRIZES based upon 25 entries. NE BASSIN will pay back at least 1 out of 5 boats. All entries must be post marked by July 1st, 2025. NE BASSIN will not accept an entry at THE EVENT. A \$25 LATE FEE will be added to ENTRIES RECEIVED AFTER 7/5 up until 7/12. NO ENTRIES WILL BE TAKEN AFTER 7/13. Entry fees may be refunded only if the Director is notified by 7/21 2024. Boat numbers will be given out and picked the morning of the event and will be handed out following our A.M. meeting. NE BASSIN is limited to the first 40 teams that registrar. There will be a split luner on day one and a split luner on day two. Combined weights from both days will be added to the final weight for team placement and overall standings.
2. Registration: One member of each team is required to be present at the Pre-Tournament Meeting the night before or the morning of depending. Failure to appear at the Pre-Tournament Meeting will result in a disqualification not unless the director was contacted before hand and made arrangements that were fair. If you are late and arrangements were made for you to still fish, you will be last boat both days of the event in the order you were late, no excuses accepted.
3. Weather Delays and Cancellation: In the event of extreme weather conditions such as Tornados, Tornado Warnings or Lightning, the tournament director along with the officials will monitor the path of the storms and their length, until it has been cleared by these three entities this tournament will be put on hold until warnings expire or the storms have passed, then and only then will we proceed with this tournament. In the event that the storms or warnings have not passed or expired prior to 9am the director and staff will make the decision to cancel that day of fishing. Should the tournament be delayed due to weather and we decide to launch, the check in times will stand as posted until told otherwise. **There will be no make up days.**
4. Take Off: NE BASSIN regional championship event for 2026 will start promptly at 7:00am (Eastern Time). Boat take off numbers will be picked the evening before. Meeting on the water at 6:40, all boats in the water by 6:30am.
5. Check-IN: Check-in will be done by 2 flights if we fill the field. There will be a deduction of 1 lb. per minute of your total weight for every minute late to Check-in. Teams more than 10 minutes late to Check-in will not be permitted to weigh-in that day's catch. (see #20)
6. Limits: This is a five (5) fish limit per team or when fishing alone tournament. Anyone bringing in more than five (5) fish will have their sack culled to the five (5) fish limit starting with the big fish first. Teams may carry more than five (5) fish but all culling must be done on the water-- not on the bank. (State rules)
7. Short Fish Penalties: Only Largemouth, Smallmouth and Spotted Bass may be brought to weigh-in. All fish brought to weigh-in must be at least 12" long. Short fish will be culled from your sack and your largest fish will be culled from the remaining fish. You will be able to ask for "1" courtesy check at the weigh-in with no penalty.
8. Live-well Inspection: Boat must have a working live- well, either built into the boat or portable. Live-wells must have some type of pump or circulator to keep fish alive. All live-wells will be checked on the water or on land before the start of the NE BASSIN event.
9. Substitutes: Substitutes are not permitted with any NE BASSIN Regional Championship Event.

11. Pre-Fishing the NE BASSIN regional championship is OK. All waters connected to the body of water will be closed to pre-fishing from 4pm the day before the start time of DAY 1.
12. Off-Limits: Other off-limits areas will be announced at the pre-tournament meeting. Teams may not fish closer than 50 yards to another competitor who is either anchored and or with the trolling motor down fishing an area unless given permission when asked if its OK. If permission is given to one, then all may fish same area of water. Having a non-contestant sit on a hole for you shall be cause for disqualification. Any team fishing in the off-limits areas will have that day's weight disqualified from the tournament.
13. Weigh-in Bags: Participants may only bring fish to the weigh-in station in a weigh-in bag with water in it.
14. Dead fish Penalty: For each dead fish a 1/2 pound penalty will be deducted from your total weight. A dead fish will not be weighed-in as big fish. Fish that appears altered or mangled shall be the tournament director's decision to weigh or not to weigh the fish.
15. Life Preserver: During any NE BASSIN events, contestants not wearing their life jackets zipped and secured when the combustion engine is running and in gear will have that day's weight disqualified from the tournament.
16. Ties: Ties for big bass will split the big bass pot. The total weight for the event will be the tie breaker for the big bass plaque.
17. No Live Bait: Only artificial lures can be used in any NE BASSIN event. The use of pork rind is permitted.
18. No Trolling: Trolling with the use of a combustible engine as a method of fishing is prohibited.
19. Sportsmanship: All contestants are required to follow high standards of sportsmanship, courtesy and conservation. Drunkenness shall be cause for immediate disqualification. No alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs shall be allowed in the boats during the tournament hours extending through the close of the weigh-in.
20. Leaving Your Boat: Competitors shall remain with their partners in the boat at all times during the tournament. Except in the event of sickness or brief excursions for "nature calling", a severe storm or other such hazards. If for any reason a team decides to leave the tournament waters early, competitors must contact the Director, prior to leaving the tournament. If you have boat trouble, you and your boat need to find a way back to the launch where the weigh in is taking place in order to weigh-in fish for that days catch. You are allowed to be towed in but make sure you are on time or lbs. will be deducted up until the 10 min late mark. After the 10 min mark you will be DQed for that day. Please contact the Director prior to doing so. A text message and or phone call with a VM will work.
21. Cheating: Anyone caught cheating in any NE BASSIN event will be immediately banned from fishing any NE BASSIN event in the future. We reserve the right to have a random truth verification test performed at any time. You may not use a cell phone to gain an advantage over the rest of the competitors.
22. Protest: All protest must be submitted in writing to the director before the close of weigh-in. Verbal protest will not be accepted. The director and the board will meet to discuss any protest and have a final decision made within 6 hours.
23. State Rules: All state rules and regulations must be followed. Teams breaking a State Rule or Regulations will have that day's weight disqualified.
24. Insurance: All members will carry liability insurance on any boat they might use during any of NE BASSIN Tournaments. Failure to do so or reporting false information will result in disqualification. Participants must have the company name and either policy number or the name of the agent binding the coverage on the membership form.
25. Refusal of Membership/Entry: We reserve the right to refuse membership or entry into any of NE BASSIN Tournament. All Rules and regulations of NE BASSIN Tournaments are subject to review by NE BASSIN Officials.
26. Insurance: All teams MUST SEND IN proof of 100,000 / 300,000 liability insurance on the boat they will be using during this championship event. Failure to do so or reporting false information will result in disqualification.
27. Awards: 1st, 2nd & 3rd place overall for this Regional Championship will receive team awards. Lunker plaques will also be given to the team with the biggest bass for this event. Top teams per division may have an opportunity to fish for bonus money/awards at the regional event, which will be mentioned at the A.M. meeting.
27. **Pre-meeting will be posted on Facebook.** Any team(s) late will be last boat(s) for both days in order of there arrival.

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***** Please make checks payable to NEBASSIN**

*Partner 1 Signature: _____ *Partner 2 Signature: _____
Please let us know what NEBASSIN Division you mainly fished in 2025: _____