



## Bass Pro Shops/Cabela's North American Bass Challenge Big Fish Events.

# HOW DOES THIS WORK?

These are low cost, family friendly, FUN, big fish events with GREAT prizes!

Participants are allowed to weigh in ONE (1) fish for each defined session. There will be 4 sessions per day in most cases. The top prize published for the largest fish overall is guaranteed. All other places or number of places are based on entries. **Be sure to read the event rules and Fact Sheet.**

Open to amateur grassroots anglers with MULTIPLE chances to win. One bite, could win BIG!

Anglers may choose to fish one day or if it is scheduled as a two-day event, then either of the two days or both. A significant discount for signing up for both days before the start is applicable. You may have up to 3 paid participants in one boat if it is rated 3 people. Event competition day features (4) four - 2-hour weigh in sessions. **For example:** First cast to 9:00am, then 9:00am to 11:00am, 11:00am to 1:00pm, and 1:00pm to 3:00pm. Check each event fact sheet for times.

Each participant may weigh one fish per session. **NO dead fish will be weighed, conserve your catch.**

As an example: **\*\*Based on each daily session standings and total number of event entries.** Normally, from 3-10 biggest fish each session will be awarded cash or a prize. (Places awarded each session depends on entries.) Therefore, as an example a one-day event with (4) four sessions could award 40 total places, PLUS the top 3 from overall standings for a total of 43 payouts minimum. A two-day event with (4) four sessions each day could award up to 80 total places, PLUS the top 3 from overall standings for a total of 83 payouts minimum. Plus, any sponsor bonuses or contingencies. Again the top listed for each event is guaranteed, the balance are dependent on entries. Check each events fact sheet for that events details. If you do not understand just ask.

All it takes is ONE bite and decide when you want to weigh it in!

**OPTIONAL NABC** – NABC Membership is purely optional, but earns you a free custom Federation Angler Rod at your first event of the year and other benefits, including tie breakers and more. See rules for full details.

**HOW DO I ENTER?** - Best way is online; It is fast and easy!

1. Online at [northamericanbasschallenge.com](http://northamericanbasschallenge.com)
2. Onsite Registration – Host Location (Check event Fact sheet for specific onsite locations)
3. Pay the correct entry fees for a participant. For most events that is \$125 for a one-day entry, \$200 for a two-day entry. Some events are \$150 for one day and 200 for two-day.
4. You cannot weigh in a fish without PROOF of paid entry for that day and a photo ID that matches proof of paid entry. (Check Spam/Junk folder if you don't receive OR call us.)
5. General registration for all events will close at 7pm on the day prior to the beginning of the first day of the Event.
6. Two-day entry discount (for two-day events) only applies if both days are paid in advance of the first day, otherwise it is considered a one-day entry.

7. Generally, there will be NO registrations taken “at the ramp” the morning of the tournament day please register online before the event. Once GENERAL registration closes and the event begins, participants that register late online for subsequent days (of multiple day events) must do so before 6 p.m. the evening before the subsequent day they have elected to fish. ANY days not registered for by the 7pm close of general registration will be at the one-day price. Anglers must also adhere to the off-limits rules listed herein.
8. There will be no refunds of the entry fee unless an event is cancelled in advance. In the event a participant needs to cancel an entry (for a verifiable emergency), we will move the Entry Fee forward to a subsequent event as a one-time courtesy.
9. There is no pre-tournament meeting to attend it is 100% YOUR responsibility to read and know the rules.

**TOURNAMENT DAY** - On the day of the event we will send a “first cast” text indicating it is time to begin fishing otherwise use your cell phone time. You can follow the live leaderboard showing top weights for each session on [www.NorthAmericanBassCircuit.com](http://www.NorthAmericanBassCircuit.com). IF you do NOT have a fish that will break into the published prize spots of any session there is no need to weigh a fish. The constantly-updated leaderboard provides real-time information on the top places for the current session.

**LAUNCH – Angler’s** may launch from any ramp they choose. There is no mandatory “host ramp.” Or meeting, your registration confirmation contains a link to the rules and the specific event fact sheet and it is your responsibility to read and understand them.

**SAFETY** – Every participant is required to read the rules and is responsible for following and checking all safety equipment onboard before the start of each day.

**SESSION WEIGH-INS** – Each session’s weigh-in is held at the official “host weigh-in site” identified in the “Event Details – Weigh in Site” on our website and on the fact sheet. Anglers are free to weigh their bass at any time during the designated session weigh-in, but you must be checked in at the fish care tanks and inside the safe weigh in area defined for that event before the end of the designated session time.

Courtesy weigh-in bags are available or anglers may use their own weigh bag if they prefer. After placing your bass inside the water filled weigh bag, simply bring your bass to the weigh-in line WITH poof of entry for that day and a photo ID that matches it. (look for the tents and fish-care tanks).

No participant may have more than two bass (per participant) in their possession at any time during official event hours. Artificial baits only, one rod and reel in use per participant at a time, person who originally caught the fish MUST weigh it in, no sharing of fish. Random polygraphs will be given. Random Rule, Safety and boat checks will be done. **PLEASE READ THE RULES AND THE EVENT FACT SHEET.**

\*This information does not supersede, nor does it substitute for reading the official event “Rules.” Please visit our Rules page at [northamericanbasschallenge.com](http://northamericanbasschallenge.com)

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