

White Settlement Bass Club Bylaws

(Amended December 2010)

Tournament Rules (Weigh-In Format)

1. Tournaments are restricted to club members or guests that
 - a. Have attended a meeting in the interest of joining and provided personal data (phone #, email, etc.) or
 - b. Are fishing with a club member.
2. All fish will be released back into the lake, with the exception of a trophy fish or a dead fish at weigh-in. One trophy fish may be retained per tournament year without penalty. A fish qualifying for the "Share a Lunker Program" may be retained until turned over to TP&WD.
3. Contestants must have a current Texas fishing license and observe all Federal, State and local laws.
4. All entry fees must be paid or guaranteed prior to tournament start time. Anyone who plans to fish and has not paid prior to scheduled tournament time, it is mandatory that you notify an Executive Board Member for payment and live well check, if applicable, before starting to fish.
5. Live well checks will be performed before all tournaments when the Calcutta is \$500 or more.
6. The season will be a 9 month regular season from February through October with the championship being held on the second Sunday in November. There will be meetings held every month, even the off-fishing months.
7. There will be a raffle held at every meeting. Any proceeds in excess of \$120 each month will go into the club general fund. Anything \$120 or less will go toward prizes for the next month.
8. Tournament take off will be safe light as determined by the Tournament Director.
9. Anyone who plans to withdraw from a tournament must notify an Executive Board Member in advance of the tournament scheduled start time. Any fee paid by the individual/team will be carried over to the next scheduled tournament, not to be carried over into the next tournament year.
10. Entry fee will be \$25.00 per person. The distribution is \$15.00 for tournament prize money, \$5.00 for big bass prize and \$5.00 goes to the general club expenses account to be paid out at year end championship. Only 1 Big Bass place will be paid per boat – 1st and 2nd place BB cannot be paid to the same boat.

11. There is a \$10 cash option Calcutta side bet. Only 5lb. bass or larger qualify. This is a monthly entry and if the pot rolls over to the next month all back dues must be paid to be eligible for the next Calcutta pot. If fishing as a team, both contestants must pay for Calcutta to be eligible.
12. Only Largemouth, Smallmouth and Kentucky (Spotted and Guadalupe) bass will be allowed. TPW state regulations will be followed, there is no 14" minimum on Spotted Bass.
13. Contestants must fish from a boat. No bank or wade fishing. No fishing within 50 yards of another contestant without mutual consent.
14. All fish must be caught on artificial bait and no trolling with combustion engine is not allowed.
15. Trailering will be allowed, but only after live well check has been performed if applicable. Please advise Executive Board member of your planned launching place in case of emergency.
16. Life jackets must be worn while boat is on plane.
17. Weigh-ins are mandatory. Please check out with Tournament Director if you leave early.
18. Contestants must be in sight of weigh-in by scheduled check in time.
19. ¼ pound penalty for dead fish brought to weigh-in scales. Disqualification will result if illegal fish are brought to the scales.
20. Protests must be in writing within 30 mins. after event and presented to Tournament Director. All participants have a right to protest. Decisions of the Tournament Director are final.
21. All members will receive 1 lb for meeting attendance and 1 lb for tournament attendance. There will be 5 fish weighed per boat. If two people fish from the same boat that combined weight of 5 fish will count toward both contestant's Year to Date standings.
22. Top 10 finishers will be the only qualifiers for the championship tournament, with no minimum requirement of meeting or tournament attendance to qualify. If any of the Top 10 is unable to fish the championship they will still be entitled to their portion of the split. There will be no movement of #11 or # 12 into the championship tournament due to an absence of a Top 10 individual.
23. All Launching Fees, if any, will be paid by the contestant.
24. WSBC will not be responsible for any personal injury or loss while participating in club tournaments or activities.