



The name of this organization, herein referred to as the "Club" shall be the Camp Pendleton Bass Anglers.

Camp Pendleton Bass Anglers: By-laws

The purpose of the Club is to promote camaraderie amongst military personnel, active or retired, their dependents and members of the DOD through participation in friendly fishing competition.

Membership will be limited to Military and DOD personnel, active duty or retired, and their dependents. Those eligible, as stated above, may become Club members by fishing two (2) or more tournaments per year as invited guests of members in good standing (pending approval of the membership following a scheduled Club tournament).

With exception of active duty, members who are either deployed or otherwise unable to participate in scheduled tournaments due to military commitments, members are required to attend not less than six (6) Club events during the calendar year in order to remain in good standing. Only members in good standing may fish tournaments.

Tournaments shall be conducted monthly at local San Diego county lakes. One or more tournaments shall be held at Lake Martinez (Yuma, AZ) on the Colorado River, usually during the month of March.

In lieu of assembled meetings, all Club business will be conducted via the internet. It is incumbent upon each member to monitor emails regarding tournament information and any other Club business. Any items needed to be discussed by the members will be done at the conclusion of each tournament.

Upon publication of an upcoming tournament, via email, members are to respond ASAP by email to the Club Secretary of their intent to fish. Non-boaters may make arrangements with a Boater to fish together and will notify the Club Secretary. Absent that, non-boaters will be paired with a boater on first-come basis.

It is the Non-boaters responsibility to contact their Boater prior to the event to confirm participation and coordinate travel and other details. Non-boaters are expected to arrange with their Boater the payment of fees such as lake permits, launch fees, etc...

Tournament entry fees shall be paid at the morning pre-tournament briefing at each event during the scheduled meeting time. Tournament fees shall be, per individual, \$20 with additional \$5 Big Bass pool. All monies (100%) will be paid out to the participants based on the payout matrix. No monies will be retained by the club. There are NO club dues or fees required from the membership.

All tournaments, unless specified by the club President, are to be fished as an individual. Each individual is allowed to weigh in a maximum limit allowed on the body of water being fished. Payouts will be made on individual basis only.



Because the membership is based upon the honor, integrity, and responsibility of each member, the overall membership bears no liability for each individual member.

Officers of the Club shall be:

- President
- Vice-President (Tournament Director)
- Club Secretary

The following rules govern all Camp Pendleton Bass Anglers tournaments. Interpretation of these rules will be left up to the Tournament Director whose decision is final.

- 1) In consultation with the Tournament Director and Secretary, the President will select dates and locations for the tournaments. The will be published to the Club as far in advance as possible.
- 2) Weigh-in times will be announced at the morning briefing prior to each tournament. All participants are required to attend unless excused by one of the Club officers. This includes dual weigh-in times.
- 3) Tournament dates and locations MAY be changed based on overcrowded waterways due to other tournaments, launch conditions, or weather systems which may create safety risks for the participants.
- 4) Weigh-in will commence promptly as previously announced at briefing. The time MAY be amended by the Tournament Director if conditions dictate. All members must be notified if a change should occur.
- 5) Members who are not inside the buoy line at weigh-in time will be considered late. A one pound (1 lb) penalty will be deducted from the total weight for being late the first five (5) minutes. Another one pound (1 lb) deduction will be made if late over five (5) minutes. Over ten (10) minutes late will result in disqualification. In case of a breakdown, the Tournament Director must be notified immediately to avoid disqualification and assistance.
- 6) Protests may be submitted at the conclusion of weigh-in to the Tournament Director who will decide the outcome, having discussed it with the other Club officers.
- 7) Heaviest fish will determine any ties that occur.



- 8) The Club President will maintain records of each tournament.
- 9) Any member having to leave the tournament early must make arrangements with the Tournament Director to have their fish weighed. A Club officer will notified of any member leaving early for purposes and accountability.
- 10) Trolling and bank fishing are NOT permitted. All fishing must be conducted from the boat.
- 11) Fishing is not allowed in closed areas. Boats shall not be within twenty-five (25) yards of another contestant's boat, unless permission is granted.
- 12) Only artificial baits may be used to catch fish. NO live bait.
- 13) All bass must be at twelve inches (12") in length, unless lake rules differ. Fish will be measured on a "Will-E-GO" board. A one pound (1 lb) penalty will be assessed for any short fish brought to the scales during weigh-in. A quarter pound (.25 lb) will be assessed for any dead fish.
- 14) Fish must be caught on conventional equipment: Casting or Spinning rod and reel only. Rod length may not exceed eight feet (8 ft).
- 15) Contestants are encouraged to wear a life jacket when the boat motor is running.
- 16) All Federal, State, and Local rules must be strictly adhered to. Anyone cited for violating laws/rules by the local authorities will be automatically disqualified from the tournament. Repeat violators will be subject to possible dismissal of the club.
- 17) Good sportsmanship and courtesy will be extended to everyone fishing a tournament and other fishermen on the lakes.