



RULES for Kayakers

MANDATORY- The day of the tourney- Be sure to bring your Ketch Boards or YakGear Fish Stiks with you to registration so it can be checked. You must provide your own! An identifier will be given to you at this time as well. You can write the identifier on your hand or on a card.

Kayak Anglers must be at least 18 yrs of age to participate.

***Follow all CPR (catch, picture, release) rules and TPWD regulations. You must have the following:

- PFD (lifejacket)
- 360° white light
- Whistle
- Valid fishing license

This is a roadrunner event but all kayakers must register and participate in the National Anthem and Prayer before leaving to your launch point. You must launch from public ramps only. All fishing must be done on Lake Belton, meaning between the dam and as far as Iron Bridge Park.

Launch/ depart at 7am and be back at Cedar Ridge by 2pm.

••SUBMISSIONS••

1. Fish pics will be submitted by pics via text message to a designated phone number. Text your first and last name to the given number and you'll be set to go. No 3rd party tourney apps are being used for this event!

2. 5 biggest bass, 10" and up, includes big fish. It's ok if you don't have 5. You could still be in the running!

••HAWG TROUGH REQUIREMENTS••

1. ONLY Ketch Boards and YakGear Fish Stiks are allowed.
2. Make sure lines and base of gate are darkened with a Sharpie.
(You can also add a sticker on the bump board at the bottom of the gate if preferred). Again, this will be checked during registration.

••RULES••

1. ALL lures must be artificial. **NO LIVE BAIT.**
 2. You may have only 1 line in the water at a time. No trolling with multiple lines.
 3. All fish must be caught from a kayak, no bank fishing.
 4. Human-powered kayaks only. NO electric or gas powered motors allowed.
 5. **ONLY** Largemouth, smallmouth, or spotted bass can be submitted.
 6. Do not keep fish on a fish grip or stringer. All measurements must show the fish's mouth free of any type of retainer.
 7. Be sure to wet your measuring device before placing fish on to measure it.
 8. Fish must be facing left on the measuring board, mouth closed with the lip touching the bump or fence of the board.
 9. Be sure your identifier is visible in every photo submission, hand or card.
 10. **DO NOT** cover the eye or gill plate in photos.
- ***Failure to comply with any of the rules for measuring may result in an inches deduction or even a disqualification. Minimum deduction is one inch per fish with an incorrect submission*****
11. Do not alter your Ketch Boards or YakGear Fish Stiks.
 12. A fish may only be submitted 1 time.
 13. NO fish sharing, this will result in disqualification(s).
 14. Boaters will be present on the water as well. Please be mindful, respectful and vigilant while on the water. Communication goes a long way 😊
 15. Kayakers must stay 25 yards away from each other while fishing unless permission is given.
 16. If software is being used you will be notified prior to the tournament

All decisions made by the Tournament Directors are final.

Most importantly, let's have fun and remember the cause of the tournament!