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Inaugural Battle on the Border 2014 *Official Bass Tournament Rules*

Cypress Bend Park, 3462 Cypress Bend Drive, Many, LA 71449

Participants are responsible for reading all official tournament rules prior to submitting an entry form and participating in the tournament. By submitting an entry form, participants agree to all official tournament rules as disclosed in this document. Elliott Electric Supply reserves the right to disqualify any participant for non-compliance to these rules. Disqualified participants will forfeit all prize money, trophies, and entry fees.

1. Tournament will be held regardless of weather. Please use your best judgment to ensure your safety.
2. All teams that weigh-in are subject to a polygraph test.
3. Elliott Electric Supply and/or Media Bass will not be responsible for any accidents, loss or damage.

Eligibility

1. All federal, state and local parks and wildlife regulations shall apply at all times.
2. **Participation in this tournament is by invitation only and is limited to customers, suppliers, and employees of Elliott Electric Supply.** Customer account(s) must be current, in good standing, and have exceeded **\$1,000.00** in purchases with Elliott Electric Supply during the previous 12 months.
3. Each participant must have a valid fishing license on their person at all times during the event.
4. No professional fishermen or guides will be allowed to participate.
5. Only teams are allowed to participate. Each team must consist of two (2) people; one (1) person teams will not be permitted. Only one (1) team is allowed per boat.

Entry

1. **The entry fee is \$125 per team. The entry deadline is Friday, August 22, 2014. The late fee is \$50.**
2. Each participating team must supply an entry fee accompanied by a completed entry form. Entry form and fee must be received by Elliott Electric Supply prior to the entry deadline to avoid late fee.
3. Entries received after the entry deadline will be charged an additional late fee. Elliott Electric Supply reserves the right to stop accepting entries at any time after the entry deadline.
4. **Each entry form requires the signature of an Elliott Electric Supply branch manager or sales representative to verify eligibility and to complete team entry.**

Registration

1. **Registration is from Noon–5pm on Saturday, September 20, 2014.**
2. **All participants must check in at the registration table prior to fishing in the tournament.** Both team members must be present to register team.
3. Each team will be assigned a team number and given credentials for weigh-in.
4. The tournament's Official Time Clock will be on display during registration.

Toledo Bend Specific Rules

1. **Only bass with a total length of 14 inches or greater will be allowed to weigh in.**

Pre-Fishing

1. Pre-fishing the lake is permitted but all participants must be off the lake by dark the night before the tournament.

Tournament Fishing

1. The tournament fishing time will run from **6am–3pm on Sunday, September 21, 2014.**
2. Teams may trailer to any ramp on the lake.
3. All participants are required to properly wear life jackets at all times when boat is on plane.
4. Boats must meet all federal, state and local requirements.

5. Boats may be on the water starting at 5am. Teams may start fishing at 6am.
6. No trolling with a large motor.
7. **No live bait.** Only artificial bait may be used (pork rind trailers are the only exception).
8. No fishing within 100 yards of the host marina.
9. No fishing within 50 yards of another tournament participant anchored or tied without their permission.
10. Bank fishing is permissible.

Weigh-in

1. Teams may weigh-in at any time during the tournament fishing time. **Strictly enforced: Teams must be in line for weigh-in no later than 3pm.** Teams, or individual participants with additional fish rejoining their teammate already in line, who arrive at weigh-in line after 3pm will not be allowed to weigh-in. Weigh-in will continue until all teams in line before or at 3pm have been weighed-in.
2. The credentials given to you at registration must be produced to tournament staff when weighing-in.
3. Each team will only be allowed to weigh-in once.
4. Participating teams are responsible for culling their own fish; we will not hold any fish.
5. No dead fish will be weighed.
6. **Each team cannot exceed five (5) fish in their possession at any time during the event.**
7. Elliott Electric Supply reserves the right to request teams without a reasonable chance of winning monetary award(s) to leave weigh-in line after 3pm, in efforts to reduce weigh-in duration.
8. All fish will be placed in a holding tank after being weighed-in and then released at event conclusion.
9. All federal, state, local and lake fishing laws will be upheld by tournament official (see Toledo Bend Specific Rules). The tournament official will use a Check-It-Stick for official measurements if needed.

Winning Categories

There are three winning categories: Biggest Stringer, Biggest Bass and Smallest Bass. Teams may win in multiple categories.

The total value of awards is determined by total entry fees collected, minus expenses of event. Individual award value is at the discretion of Elliott Electric Supply, with higher-placing teams receiving more or equal to lesser-placing teams in each category. **The number of places of paid awards will not exceed 50 for Biggest Stringer, 3 for Biggest Bass and 1 for Smallest Bass.** Elliott Electric Supply reserves the right to reduce the number of monetary awards based on the number of teams which weigh-in. The award value of teams which tie will be added together and divided evenly between the teams which tied.

1. **Biggest Stringer**
 - a. A maximum of five (5) bass will be weighed for Biggest Stringer per team. Places are determined by weight.
2. **Biggest Bass**
 - a. A maximum of one (1) bass from stringer can be weighed and entered for Biggest Bass per team. Places are determined by weight.
3. **Smallest Bass**
 - a. A maximum of one (1) bass from stringer can be weighed and entered for Smallest Bass per team. The Smallest Bass is determined by least weight.

Door Prizes

1. Teams which receive a monetary award in any of the three categories will not be eligible to win door prizes.
2. Teams must have successfully registered for tournament and be present at time of drawing to be eligible to win door prizes.