

Rules and Regulations

1. Tackle and Fishing Methods: Only one rod may be used at a time. Trolling as a method of fishing is prohibited. Each competitor must fish individually and may not fish as a group or share fish caught to improve catch rates. Competitors may not use cell phones during the tournament to provide other participants in the tournament with any type of fishing information.

2. Participation and Eligibility: If a competitor is over the age of 16 but under the age of 18, written permission must be given by a parent/ guardian indicating approval to participate. The Tournament Directors reserve the right to refuse any entry.

3. Entries: Entry fee will be \$50 per boat, and is limited to the first 30 entries. Big bass side pot of \$10 is optional. Any competitor receiving a citation for violation of any law will be disqualified. A completed and signed entry form and full payment is required before the start of the Captains Meeting to be eligible for any prizes.

4. Boating Conduct: Boating safety must be observed at all times by competitors. Each competitor is required to wear a Coast Guard approved life vest at all times while on the water. Violation will be immediate disqualification.

5. Watercraft and Propulsion: Watercraft acceptable for use are those manufactured and marketed as canoes, kayaks or SUP's for which paddling is the primary means of propulsion. Propulsion is restricted to paddle, pedal, pole or electric motor.

6. Permitted Fishing Locations and Water Access: Fishing is to take place between the Wisconsin Dells Dam and the Sauk City Dam on the Wisconsin River and tributaries to first bridge, Crystal Lake and Fish Lake. Fishing is not permitted within 100 feet of a competitor's boat. Competitors cannot leave the boat at any time unless it is to relocate to another permitted fishing location, or in the case of an emergency. Portaging around natural obstructions (fallen trees/logs) is allowed provided anglers do not travel by foot above the ordinary high water mark. Competitors cannot leave the boat to land a fish. There is no practice cut-off period or restrictions to type of boat that can be used for pre-fishing. All water must be accessed from a public boat landing or public lands (including road right of ways) and vehicles transporting watercraft must be parked in a legal parking location. Competitors may not be dropped off by another person to gain access to waters that don't have legal parking available. Competitors may fish on any of the permitted fishing waters and change location throughout the competition.

7. Scoring and Measuring Boards: This is a catch/photo/release (CPR) tournament. Fish must be released immediately after measuring and before fishing can resume. Tournament standings shall be determined by the total length of a competitors' catch, which can total no more than three (3) largemouth and/or smallmouth bass, each with a minimum length of 14 inches. Fish may only be measured on a Ketch X or Ketch plastic or aluminum bump board. Each digital photo submitted at check in must be of a different fish and include the tournament identifier card provided at registration. Mouth of fish must be closed and touching the measuring board fence, hand centered on body of fish and tail fin touching or crossing measuring board ¼" marks. The eye and tail of the fish must be completely visible. Photos must be taken from directly over (or close to) the center of the fish body. Fish will be measured to nearest ¼". Tournament Directors will make final judgement on rounding lengths that do not fall on a ¼" mark (up or down) and reserve the right to reject any photo of a fish that an accurate length is not legible. Photos of dead, mangled or mauled bass are not allowed. A tie for total length will be decided by biggest bass. If a tie still remains, the tie will be decided by a coin toss. Tie(s) for big bass will result in equally split big bass side pot prize money.

8. Competition Times: Registration will begin at 6:00am and end at 6:30am. Registration will include check in and verification of payment and a signed entry form for each competitor. Mandatory Captains Meeting will take place at 6:30 am. Registration and Captains Meeting will take place in the parking lot at Don's Marine in Lodi. Earliest line in the water time is 7:30am. **Competitors may place their watercraft in the water and proceed underway earlier, but begin fishing no sooner than 7:30am.** Check-In will occur at 3:30pm in the parking lot at Don's Marine in Lodi. Competitors must be in the Don's Marine parking lot by 3:30pm or will be disqualified. Late is late, no exceptions. Check-in will officially close when all fish photos have been recorded and scored by Tournament Directors. There will be no early check in. Competitors who withdraw from the tournament prior to 3:30pm will not be allowed to score their catch and must text a tournament director to notify them they are withdrawing.

9. Alcohol and Drugs: No alcoholic beverages or use of illegal drugs will be tolerated during competition times.

10. Protests: A protest or complaint may be filed in writing before the check-in close. The situation will be given consideration and ruled on by the Tournament Directors. All decisions will be final.

2023



Columbia Kayak Cup Bass Open

**Saturday, September 16th,
2023**

7:30am - 3:30pm

\$50 per Boat

\$10 Optional BB Pot



Tournament Details

\$60* / Boat

*\$50 Tournament Entry Fee
\$10 Optional Big Bass Side Pot

3 Fish Limit

Largemouth and/or Smallmouth

Entries limited to the first 30 boats

Tournament Hours

Registration Begins 6:00am
Captains Meeting 6:30am
Earliest Line In Water 7:30am
Check-In 3:30pm



Tournament Payouts

(80% Payback)

Prize money below is based on a 30 boat field.

1st Place*: \$720
(60% payout)

2nd Place: \$360
(30% payout)

3rd Place: \$120
(10% payout)

Big Bass Pot

100% Payback
\$300

*First place competitor fishing out of a Hobie boat will also win a \$200 gift certificate from Don's Marine that can be used toward purchase of a Hobie boat or Hobie accessories.

Tournament Headquarters

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Tournament Directors

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Entry Information:

(please print neatly)

Name: _____
Phone: (____) : _____
Email: _____

Boat Year/Make/Model: _____
Boat Color: _____

Entry Payment Options:

paypal@donsmarine.com

Include competitor contact information with payment.

**Paypal payments accepted through:
5pm, Wednesday, September 6th**

Entries after 5pm on September 6th must be paid in cash during registration the day of the tournament.

Name: _____
Signature Date

Having acquainted ourselves with the rules, we have completed this application and are enclosing our entry fee of \$50. By signing this application, we hereby waive and release all other contestants, the hosts, sponsors and tournament officials from all claims of injury and/or damages which may be incurred in connection with this tournament. Don's Marine will not be responsible for damage to personal property or bodily harm when approaching/boarding the Don's Marine release boat pontoon if present. All contestants may be subject to a polygraph test.