Rules for 2025 Season <u>Registration and Take Off</u>

All tournaments will be limited to 19 boats, first come, first served! Take off position will be assigned randomly by tournament directors during registration. Only 1 angler from each team may be present at registration and weigh in. Each team is responsible for returning their nightly catch to the lake. Boats must have working live wells. Last boat out will check live wells. Tournament Director may delay take off or cancel any event (including the Championship) due to weather conditions. Absolutely no individual early or late takeoff! Take off locations cannot change. All participants must sign a Don's Marine liability waiver prior to their first event.

<u>Weigh In</u>

Teams must be inside nearest launch site "Slow No Wake" buoy by Tournament Hours end time. *Late is late and fish will not be scored! Exception: Tow boat can weigh fish within 30 minutes of weigh in close if called in during tournament hours.* One largemouth/ smallmouth bass may be scored per angler. **Please bring and use your own weigh in bags!** Fish will be measured to the nearest 1/8" with tail fanned to longest position. <u>Team</u> *member is responsible for confirming their recorded scores each event!* Dead fish (or almost) will not be scored, **no questions asked**. Short fish will result in both angler and team disqualification for the night.

<u>Standings</u> TEAMS

A participating boat must <u>fish and pay</u> **\$30 per event** to be scored as a **Team**. A **Team** member may pay double entry <u>and fish alone</u> and score 2 fish. A **Team may use a substitute partner for a maximum of 3 events.** After a Team uses their 3rd substitution during the season, the only way to score 2 fish for Team standings is for 1 of the original Team members to fish alone and pay double entry. If a Team member fishes alone and does not pay a double entry fee, their catch will not be scored toward Team length, but will count toward AOY for that event.

Only **Team** members or substitutes are allowed in the boat during each event. *Only 2 anglers will be allowed in a boat to be scored as a Team.*

Visit <u>www.donsmarine.com</u> for weekly standings and updates.

Scoring

Angler of the Year(AOY)

AOY will be determined by greatest individual total length at the end of the season. The angler who caught the biggest bass each night must score that fish for AOY standings. Big bass breaks tie.

Team Standings

Team standings will be based on total length for all Team qualifying events as outlined under Standings. Big bass breaks tie.

Tournament Water Limits

Sunset-Sauk Dam to RR Trestle Grade-RR Trestle to 33 Bridge

Championship Event

Up to 10 **Team** boats could earn a spot to fish in the Championship tournament. To qualify for the Championship you must: -Finish in the top 10 **Team** total length standings after the August 7th event. (Big Bass Breaks Tie)

<u>AND....</u>

-<u>*Fish*</u> as a **Team** in 9 of 13 regular season events.

Some participation exceptions may be made for anglers having <u>serious</u> medical conditions or surgery.

Sportsmanship and Safety

All local and state boating regulations apply. <u>There will be zero tolerance</u> for unsportsmanlike conduct at an

event. Live bait or trolling is not allowed. "Stocking" or moving fish is not allowed. One rod in water per angler. Tournament Director reserves the right to disqualify participants for unsportsmanlike conduct toward anyone on the water or at the landing for an event or the season. All complaints will be reviewed by a Tournament Director. Life jackets must be worn when big motor is running and underway, or DQ'd!