

**4TH ANNUAL
Southern Bass Club Association**

“Elite 8 Tournament”

April 29 – May 1, 2027

Toledo Bend

ENTRY FORM

Entry Fee: \$400.00 Per Team / Club

Late Fee After April 1, 2027

Multiple Teams May Be Entered

Submit payment through PayPal, CashApp, or Venmo. If mailing checks: Make payable to S.B.C.A.

Address To:

Sandy Netherland-Roberts
550 Temple Rd
Ferriday, LA 71334

Club Name: _____

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TOURNAMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS

- All contestants must comply with all local, state, and federal laws and regulations.
- Entry fee is \$400.00 per club. A late fee of \$60.00 will be assessed after April 1, 2027.
- Only clubs affiliated and in good standing with the Southern Bass Clubs Association (SBCA) are eligible to compete.
- All fish must be caught using rod and reel with artificial lures only. Trolling is prohibited.
- Each club will consist of eight (8) members fishing from four (4) boats, with two (2) anglers per boat.
- Each team must appoint a Team Captain to serve as the official spokesperson. Team Captains must check in with the Tournament Committee between 5:00 PM and 7:00 PM on Thursday, April 29, 2027, at Cypress Bend Pavilion. A meal will be provided.
- Culling is permitted within the park. Teams may weigh in a maximum of twelve (12) bass per day measuring at least fourteen (14) inches in length. Spotted bass are permitted at same (14) inches in length. Mouth must be closed and tail touching. A GOLDEN RULE is the official measuring board. If a club enters multiple teams, those teams must cull fish at least fifty (50) yards apart.
- Dead fish will incur a one (1) pound penalty per fish.
- No courtesy measurements will be allowed at the scales.
- Tournament start time is first cast and will announced by the Tournament Committee during the registration.
- Official weigh-in scales will open @ 3:45 PM and must be in line to weigh fish at 4:00 PM each tournament day. There will be no grace period for late check-in.
- Contestants may not fish within fifty (50) yards of another competing boat that is anchored or tied off unless permission is granted.
- All boats must have functioning navigation lights and a properly attached, operational kill switch.
- All contestants must wear Coast Guard-approved life vests whenever the main engine is operating.

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- Alcoholic beverages or illegal narcotics are prohibited during tournament hours unless prescribed by a licensed physician.
- Only registered Elite 8 contestants are permitted to bass fish during tournament hours.
- The lake will be off-limits beginning at 4:00 PM Thursday until official safe light blast-off Friday morning and again beginning at 4:00 PM Friday until safe light blast-off Saturday morning.
- No Wake Zones must be strictly observed in all marina areas.
- Tournament officials retain full authority regarding interpretation and enforcement of all rules. Any protest must be submitted in writing within fifteen (15) minutes following the final weigh-in of that day.
- No professional angler who has competed in any tournament with an entry fee greater than \$1,000.00 within the previous twelve (12) months shall be eligible to participate in the SBCA Elite 8 Tournament.
- No fishing guide who has guided on Toledo Bend within the previous twelve (12) months shall be eligible to participate in the SBCA Elite 8 Tournament.

ELECTRONICS & SONAR EQUIPMENT RULE

- The use of Forward-Facing Sonar (FFS), including live-view or real-time sonar technology, is strictly prohibited during all official tournament hours. **All Electronics are allowed during practice.**
- This includes Garmin LiveScope, Lowrance ActiveTarget, Humminbird MEGA Live, and any similar system capable of providing real-time forward-looking sonar imaging.
- The use of 360-degree sonar or panoramic imaging systems is also prohibited during official tournament hours.
- Traditional sonar and navigation technologies remain permitted, including Down Imaging, Side Imaging, conventional 2D sonar, GPS mapping, and navigation systems.
- Any prohibited sonar equipment installed on a vessel must remain powered off and may not be displayed, accessed, or utilized during tournament hours.
- Tournament officials reserve the right to inspect any vessel and electronic equipment before, during, or after competition.
- Violation of these regulations may result in disqualification and additional disciplinary action.

"These electronics regulations are intended to preserve competitive balance, maintain traditional angling skills, and promote fair competition among all SBCA tournament participants."

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