

# **MAGNOLIA BASSAMASTERS TOURNAMENT RULES**

1. Five (5) fish limit, 12" minimum length while fishing in Jackson and surrounding counties, unless otherwise noted or as law allows.
2. Proper safety equipment (Life Jackets, fire extinguishers, kill switches, ect) will be required during tournament functions. Life jackets must be worn when boat is "on plane". No alcoholic beverages will be allowed during any club or tournament functions.
3. All fish will be measured, weighed, and qualified by tournament committee at tournament weigh-in. No culling at the dock, all decisions are final.
4. Penalty for weighing a short fish will result in the loss of your short fish plus and additional 1lb. from your total.
5. Dead fish cannot be used as a cull, any dead fish being qualified for weigh in will be penalized 4oz.
6. Late penalty of 1lb per minute for every minute late up to 15 minutes. After 15 minutes you will be disqualified
7. No live bait may be used during tournaments.
8. All boaters are required to have and use a measuring board (Golden rule or equal), club official board is the Golden Rule.
9. All boats are subject to inspection before tournaments for safety equipment, empty live wells, and a legal measuring board.
10. All Tournament contestants must have a valid, legal fishing license for the state being fished.
11. All tournament contestants are required to follow all applicable laws and common courtesies for the waters being fished.
12. Any violations of rules may lead to disqualification and will be determined by the tournament committee.
13. Non-boaters are required to pay 50% of boat operating expenses the day of the tournament. Non-boaters may make arrangements to fish with someone or can draw for a boater at the tournament.
14. Club dues should be current, but not more than 3 months behind in order for tournament points to count.

**Note:** Any disqualification receives no points for that event, and that event cannot be counted as one of the two yearly drop tournaments and could even result in the member being dropped from the club.