



2024 NVKBA Rules Overview and Waivers

Beginning in 2024, every Northern Virginia Kayak Bass Anglers (NVKBA) Competitive Event will follow the newly established "NVKBA Competition Rules Standard" document, which shares the same Kayak Bass Fishing (KBF) Rules foundation as the traditional "KBF Competition Rules Standards".

NVKBA reserves the right to make alterations to rules on a case-by-case basis which will be announced prior to each event via email, captain's meetings, and/or the tournament event details found on the Fishing Chaos event page. **It is the sole responsibility of the Competitor to ensure all rules and event descriptions are read and understood prior to registration.** If no rule changes are noted, assume the standard NVKBA rules will be followed for that event.

As conditions for participation in NVKBA events, each Competitor declares during event signup that they have read and understood the NVKBA Competition Rules Standard, voluntarily agrees to abide by them, and agrees with the attached waivers and release of liability agreements (attachments A and B) based on their status (adult or youth).

NVKBA leadership makes every effort to ensure the rules are complete, concise, and comprehensible. Our aims are to ensure that competitors understand NVKBA's rules, expectations, and guidelines and that directors and judges will administer them objectively and **IMPARTIALLY**.

Major KBF and NVKBA rules are revised or supplemented from time to time for clarification or to cover issues not previously addressed. When significant changes are made, notifications are communicated on the NVKBA email distribution via Fishing Chaos, NVKBA Facebook group and page, the NVKBA YouTube channel, and the NVKBA website.

Please address any questions or concerns by email directly to NVKBA leadership at: admin@nvkba.com.

See the current NVKBA Competitions Rules Standards at [INSERT WEBSITE LINK](#)



Attachment A – Adult Registrants

NORTHERN VIRGINIA KAYAK BASS ANGLERS WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY AGREEMENT
READ BEFORE REGISTERING FOR ANY NVKBA COMPETITIVE EVENT AND/OR SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT

In consideration of being allowed to participate in any way in the NVKBA, Inc.'s Event and its related competition and activities, I, the undersigned (or registrant), being at least 18 years of age, acknowledge, appreciate, and agree that:

1. I affirm that my participation in any NVKBA Event is voluntary and declare that I am physically fit and capable to participate in such; and
2. I acknowledge that kayak fishing participation and competition involves certain inherent dangers, and hazards; that the risk of injury from the activities involved in this event is significant, including the potential for permanent paralysis and death, and while particular skills, physical fitness, equipment, and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious injury does exist; and,
3. I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, both known and unknown, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES or others, and assume full responsibility for my participation; and,
4. I willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary Terms and Conditions for Participation (rules). If, however, I observe any unusual significant hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove myself from participation and immediately bring such to the attention of NVKBA Staff, Officers, Tournament Directors, or contracted tournament management services.
5. In full recognition and appreciation of the dangers and risks inherent in such activities, I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY RELEASE, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD HARMLESS NVKBA, Inc. and its owners, officers, managers, officials, volunteer event staff, agents and/or employees, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, event service/management and technology providers (including but not limited to Fishing Chaos and/or TourneyX), and, if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used for the activity ("Releasees"), with respect to any and all injury, disability, death, or loss or damage to person or property, whether arising from the negligence of the releasees or otherwise, to the fullest extent permitted by law, and I hereby waive, release, and forever discharge Releasees from and against any and all claims, demands, actions, or causes of action, for costs, loss, expenses, or damages to personal property, or personal injury, or death, which may result from my participation in the NVKBA Event.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.

_____	x_____	_____
Participant's Name (Print)		Participant's Signature
_____		_____
Date of Signing		Participant's Age

(Note If Participant is under 18 years of age, do not use this form. Registrant and Adult Supervisor must use Attachment B – Youth Registrants)

NORTHERN VIRGINIA KAYAK BASS ANGLERS WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY AGREEMENT
READ BEFORE REGISTERING FOR ANY NVKBA COMPETITIVE EVENT AND/OR SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT

In consideration of being allowed to participate in any way in the NVKBA, Inc.'s Event and its related competition and activities, I, the undersigned (or Registrant), being under the age of 18, acknowledge, appreciate, and agree that:

1. I affirm that Registrant's participation in any NVKBA Event is voluntary and declare that Registrant is physically fit and capable to participate in such; and
2. I acknowledge that kayak fishing participation and competition involves certain inherent dangers, and hazards; that the risk of injury from the activities involved in this event is significant, including the potential for permanent paralysis and death, and while particular skills, physical fitness, equipment, and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious injury does exist; and,
3. Registrant (and Adult Parent, Guardian, or Designated Adult Supervisor) KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, both known and unknown, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES or others, and assume full responsibility for Registrant's participation; and,
4. Registrant willingly agrees to comply with the stated and customary Terms and Conditions for Participation (rules). If, however, Registrant or Adult Supervisor observes any unusual significant hazard during their presence or participation, they will remove themselves from participation and immediately bring such to the attention of NVKBA Staff, Officers, Tournament Directors, or contracted tournament management services.
5. in full recognition and appreciation of the dangers and risks inherent in such activities, I (and Adult Parent, Guardian, or Designated Adult Supervisor), for myself and on behalf of my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY RELEASE, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD HARMLESS NVKBA, Inc. and its owners, officers, managers, officials, volunteer event staff, agents and/or employees, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, event service/management and technology providers (including but not limited to Fishing Chaos and/or TourneyX), and, if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used for the activity ("Releasees"), with respect to any and all injury, disability, death, or loss or damage to person or property, whether arising from the negligence of the releasees or otherwise, to the fullest extent permitted by law, and I hereby waive, release, and forever discharge Releasees from and against any and all claims, demands, actions, or causes of action, for costs, loss, expenses, or damages to personal property, or personal injury, or death, which may result from Registrant's participation in the NVKBA Event.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IT FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.

	x _____
Registrant's Name (Print)	Registrant's Signature

Date of Signing	Registrant's Age

I will serve as Adult Supervisor and will accompany the Registrant while he/she is on the water during competition hours. In place of or in addition to me, the Adult NVKBA Member designated below will act as the Adult Supervisor and will accompany the Registrant while he/she is on the water during competition hours.

	x _____
Parent's or Guardian's Name (Print)	Parent's or Guardian's Signature

	x _____
Designated Adult Supervisor's Name (Print)	Designee's Signature