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**2026**

**SC BASSMASTER JR BASSMASTER TEAM STATE CHAMPIONSHIP  
LAKE KEOWEE @ SOUTH COVE COUNTY PARK  
1099 S COVE ROAD, SENACA, SC 29672**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2026**

**\*\*TOP 3 TEAMS ADVANCE - 2026 BASSMASTER HIGH SCHOOL NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP\*\***

**MANDATORY MEETING @ 4PM, FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2026 @ SOUTH COVE PARK**

### **PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS**

**PAID 2026 NATIONAL B.A.S.S., Bass Nation & SC State Dues**

**\$30 Team Entry Fee PLUS \$25 SC Angler State Dues**

**PROOF of Boat Insurance (300K PER BASSMASTER)**

**Copy of Boaters Education Certificate for Anglers & Boat Captain**

### **TOURNAMENT INFO**

**Morning Check In begins @ 430AM**

**7AM or SAFE LIGHT BLAST OFF**

**WEIGH IN BEGINS @ 2PM**

**3 FISH LIMIT/12" LENGTH (.25 DEAD FISH RULE)**

**MANDATORY 3 PER BOAT (NO SOLO FISHING)**

ALL SCDNR SAFETY & LAKE RULES APPLY

**JR BASSMASTER BOAT CAPTAIN & ANGLER RULES**

REQUIRED age 18 or older and graduated from High School

REQUIRED to have a signed Liability Waiver on file with School/Club or Tournament Trail. CAN NOT be a Professional Fisherman or Licensed Guide UNLESS, they are an immediate family member or Legal Guardian of the student angler. Immediate Family Member described as Father, Mother, Brother, Sister, or Grandparent.

**\*\*First time Substitute Boat Captains are NOT permitted for SC BASSMASTER YOUTH STATE CHAMPIONSHIP Tournament. Boat Captain must have substituted for a school/club/team at least once in the current season to be eligible to substitute for the SC BASSMASTER YOUTH STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT.**

ALL Bridges, Railways, or similar structures, in service or abandoned, marked or unmarked with signs, are NO WAKE ZONES. Failure to abide by the No Wake Zone Rules will result in DISQUALIFICATION for the tournament.

Boat Captain RESPONSIBLE for properly working condition of Live Well's, Safety Kill Switch & Navigation Lights which will be checked during blast off. NO Boats will be allowed to blast off if listed REQUIREMENTS are not met. NO EXCEPTIONS!

Boat Captains & Student Anglers MUST always wear a FULLY secured life jacket when outboard engine is running in Neutral, Forward or Reverse Gear. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!!

Boat Captains CAN NOT solicit or receive any information from outside influences such as guides, friends, or family members 30 days prior to scheduled tournament date.

OFFICIAL TEAM PRACTICE DAY (FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2026) **FOR REGISTERED ANGLERS & BOAT CAPTAINS ONLY**

Boat Captains CAN fish on Official Practice Day ONLY, teach by example such as demonstrating casting techniques, assist in tying knots on lures, run the trolling motor, suggest fishing spots, and net fish.

Boat Captains MUST always remain in boat during tournament hours. Boat Captains CAN coach, make on water location & technique suggestions during tournament hours, CAN assist in keeping equipment organized on the deck of the boat to eliminate any safety related hazards during scheduled tournament hours, CAN retrieve ANY equipment from the possibility of going overboard, CAN assist student anglers in the culling process.

**Tournament Day JR. Division Boat Captain**

MAY NOT FISH

MAY net fish.

MAY assist with hook removal from fish, tree's, docks & underwater snags for safety concerns.

MAY assist with back lash removal. MUST be seated when removing backlashes.

MAY run a trolling motor.

Absolutely NO communication by phone or any other device between other Boat Captains / Coaches for the purpose of sharing fishing information during tournament hours. Electronic devices are to be used for emergencies only. \*\*This rule is strictly enforced. \*\*

Any information leading to a possible fishing or rules violation MUST be submitted in writing by registered tournament participants ONLY within 15 minutes after the last fish is weighed. All penalties will be considered and assessed by the Tournament Director known as Tony Gray, SC Bass Nation Youth Director.

**ALL Tournament related documents including Tournament Entry Form, Copy Proof of Boat Insurance & Copy of Boaters Education Certificate for BOTH Anglers & Boat Captain must be completed & submitted in paper form during the MANDATORY TOURNAMENT MEETING, FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2026 @ 4PM which will be held inside South Cove County Park @ the Tournament Trailer setup area.**

**NO PAPERWORK = NO FISHING**

**DO NOT MAIL TOURNAMENT DOCUMENTS OR TOURNAMENT ENTRY FEE!!!!**

Boat Captains & Anglers, please read carefully, as you are responsible for knowing and understanding the rules of this event.

ALL questions/concerns, please email me,

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S.C. Bass Nation Youth Director

Checks payable to: SC HIGH SCHOOL BASS CHALLENGE



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\*\*\*\$25 SC BASS FEDERATION MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED BY ALL STUDENT ANGLERS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS EVENT\*\*\*

\$30.00 Tournament Entry Fee / Per Boat (\$20 Late Fee)

Angler #1 Name \_\_\_\_\_ Anglers #1 Age & Grade at time of event \_\_\_\_\_

Angler #1 Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home/Cell Phone: Area Code ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) No. \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Angler #2 Name \_\_\_\_\_ Anglers #2 Age & Grade at time of event \_\_\_\_\_

Angler #2 Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home/Cell Phone: Area Code ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) No. \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE REQUIRED BELOW BY BOAT CAPTAIN & STUDENT ANGLERS

Having acquainted myself with the rules, I have completed this application VOLUNTARY. In signing this application, I hereby agree to be bound by and comply with all tournament rules & regulations. I expressly assume all risks associated with the tournament & I hereby release B.A.S.S. LLC, SC BASS NATION, its parent, affiliated & subsidiary companies, its licensees & affiliates, their advertising agencies, and all their respective officers, directors, agents, employees, and stockholders including event host from all claims of death, injury and/or property damage incurred by me in connection with my participation in this tournament. I certify that I have the REQUIRED 300,000 property damage and personal liability insurance for the boat & COMPLETED Boaters Education Certification. The insurance must be issued by a reputable insurance company, and I will provide satisfactory evidence of that insurance. I hereby waive my rights of privacy or publicity with the regard to the programs of the tournament in which I appear and consent to B.A.S.S., LLC's, SC BASS NATION and its parent, affiliated and subsidiary companies, and those acting under their permission or upon their authority, copyrighting, distributing, televising, publishing and using in any way the audio and visual portions of any television videotape, film and photographs or pictures of me or of interviews, scenes or other sequences in which I may be included, and any reproduction thereof, anywhere at any time through any medium or media for advertising, promotion, trade, television programming or other lawful purpose whatsoever; and I shall not be entitled to receive any royalties or other compensation in connection with such use.

FOR PARENTS/GAURDIANS OF PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE (under 18 at time of registration) I, as parent/guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, expressly assume all risks associated with this event and agree to the information as outlined above.

Angler #1 Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Angler #1 Parent/Guardian Sign \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ PH # \_\_\_\_\_

Angler #2 Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Angler #2 Parent/Guardian Sign \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ PH # \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Captain Name & Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_