

2026 Idaho Bass Nation High School and Junior State Championship Entry Form

When: Saturday, July 11th
Where: Lake Cascade, Cascade, ID Sugarloaf Ramp

Two Divisions:
High School (9th – 12th grade)
Junior (2nd – 8th)

*Because the tournament is held in June, this is the student's 2026-2027 school year grade.

This is a one-day event. The winning High School and Junior teams will be able to represent Idaho at the 2027 BASS High School and Junior National Championships.

Mandatory check-in, meeting, and draw at 6:00 pm, July 10th, at the Sugarloaf ramp.

Pre-fishing is allowed until 6:00 pm July 10th.

The three non-motorized areas on the lake are off-limits. They are east of the powerline in Gold Fork, north of the S-bridge (Donnelly bridge) in Lake Fork, and north of the Tamarack Falls bridge in Payette Fork.

This is a two-angler team event. Each team consists of two students and must have an adult boat captain. Students must be active members of B.A.S.S. and the Idaho B.A.S.S. Nation to be eligible to participate. **It is required that each Boat Captain successfully complete a boating safety course, a boating safety certification, or possess a USCG Captain's license.**

The team limit is five fish per day, none under 12 inches.

Tournament Rules

1. A \$50.00 entry fee will be required of contestants participating in each tournament. Prizes and trophies will be given at the discretion of the Tournament Director to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishers in designated age divisions.
2. Most live fish breaks a tie, followed by live big fish.
3. Any team not reporting to weigh in on time will be penalized ½ a pound per minute. For the first 15 minutes or until weight runs out. Any team checking in more than 15 minutes late will be disqualified.
4. The bodies of water for a scheduled tournament will not be off-limits before the tournament.
5. Contestants will be asked to assist with the release of fish as needed.

- a. All fish must be released at least one mile from weigh in, in a bass like habitat that is no more than 30 ft. deep.
6. All fish handed over to the weigh master must be of legal length. The procedure is on a flat board with the mouth closed. Sweeping the tail is permitted.
7. The limit is 5 live fish unless a special announcement specifies a different limit due to local regulations. Under no circumstances will the creel exceed this. In doing so a team will be disqualified.
8. One live big fish per person may be weighed for the big fish award or as a tiebreaker.
9. A dead fish may not be culled during the tournament. If caught, this will be a disqualification.
10. Teams **MUST** check in at weigh-in even if no fish were caught. Teams leaving the tournament site **MUST** notify tournament officials, or at a minimum, a fellow competitor.
11. Complaints must be submitted within 30 minutes of weigh-in. **ALL** decisions made by the tournament officials will be final.
12. Any infractions of a State Safety or Fish & Game Law will result in immediate disqualification.
13. Contestants are expected to follow high standards of Sportsmanship, Courtesy, Conservation, & Respect!!!
 - a. Any contestant participating in an event is expected to give immediate aid to another boater or participant in an emergency.
 - b. Participants must stop and check on any participant who has his orange distress sign in place.
 - c. In case of mechanical breakdown, Fish may be transported to weigh in on a competitor's boat only.
 - d. Aid is expected to be given In case of mechanical failure whenever practical.
 - e. Courtesy must be practiced at all times, especially when boating or angling in the vicinity of non-participants, on tournament ramps, & open waters.
 - f. Participants shall not attempt to fish within 50 yards of another angler's boat that is anchored with the trolling motor up unless specifically invited to do so by that angler. However, if one boat is invited in, then all teams can also fish there under the no touch rule.
 - g. Boats that are not anchored shall follow a no touch rule.
14. Only artificial lures may be used. Pork type strips or bait scents may be used.
15. Only rods & reels are permitted. Only one rod is the water at a time, however, multiple rods may be set up and ready for use. Electrical and mechanical devices such as GPS, depth meters, color-c-lectors, thermometers, and oxygen meters may be used.
16. Landing nets are permitted unless otherwise announced at a specific event.
17. A live well or suitable substitute is required. The Tournament Director will determine suitability of any live well.
18. Tournament participants are not allowed to troll with the internal combustion motor.
19. All fishing is to be down from a boat. Participants are not allowed to leave their boat except in case of an emergency or with the permission of the tournament director. Using the restroom or retrieving personal property is accepted as an emergency.
20. Safe boating – All US Coast Guard and State safety regulations must be adhered to.
21. Life jackets must be worn when internal combustion engine is running for all competitors, boaters, and observers on the boat.
22. All juniors 16 and older may wear an auto inflate PDF and may remove life jacket when boat internal combustion motor is not running.
23. All juniors the age of 15 must wear full standard life jackets when under way and may remove the life jacket when internal combustion motor is not running.

24. All persons on a boat under the age of 14 & under **MUST** wear their approved life jacket at all times. The only exception would be to remove coats, sweatshirts, etc. and then they must be back on immediately...
25. At no time will the rules in this document override BASS, Local, State & Federal Regulations. It is the responsibility of each boater, parent and contestant to verify they are in **TOTAL** compliance of all Regulations set forth by any governing body including BASS, Local, State, National and Federal agencies.
26. A youth fishing with anyone other than a family member must provide a release to the Youth Director authorizing Life jacket rules as written or request more stringent requirements if preferred.
27. If a kill switch is present it must be worn when engine is running.
28. No boat shall have horsepower that exceed the boats BIA Rating.
29. No Alcoholic Beverages or other intoxicants shall be allowed **EVER**, during tournament hours.
30. It is the sole responsibility of the boat owner to have current insurance policy of \$300,000 dollars at all events. The policy must be up to date and available upon request.
31. By signing this I acknowledge that I have read and understand all rules and regulations and further more commit to follow them. If I cannot abide by the rules or the level of sportsmanship this club is based on I understand that my membership may be revoked with no refund.

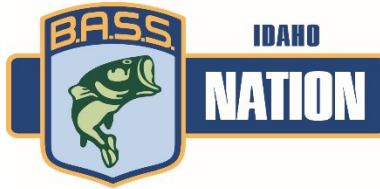
Signature: _____ Date: _____

All participants will need a B.A.S.S. membership, which can be purchased at bassmasters.com. Idaho B.A.S.S. Nation membership fees are \$40 per student.

Contact the Youth Director, Mike Howard, at (208) 965-1153 or idahostudentanglers@gmail.com for more information.

Please return the fully completed form on the next page to:

IBN Youth Director:
Mike Howard
21765 Bent Lane
Star, ID 83669
Or: idahostudentanglers@gmail.com



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Student #1 _____

Address _____

E-mail _____

Phone Number _____

B.A.S.S. Member Number _____

B.A.S.S. Club _____

* Contact Mike Howard for Club information

Student #2 _____

Address _____

E-mail _____

Phone Number _____

B.A.S.S Member Number _____

B.A.S.S. Club _____

* Must be a member of the same club as Student #1

Adult Boat Captain for Team _____

Address _____

E-mail _____

Phone Number _____

Boat Insurance Carrier _____

Insurance Policy No. _____

*I represent and warrant that I have or will obtain liability boat owner's insurance before the tournament (including coverage for third-party property damage and bodily injury) with no "tournament exclusion," with a minimum limit of \$300,000 per occurrence.

By entering the tournament, all participants release, without exception, the IBN, its owners, officers, sponsors, employees, and affiliates from liability for any accidents, loss, or theft. All contestants must sign the Bassmaster High School and Junior Rules and Participation Agreement. Violation of any rule will warrant appropriate disciplinary action by the Tournament Director and IBN Board of Directors.

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