

NOT-JUST-FISHIN

Team Trail Rules and Regulations

PREFACE: The following rules and regulations have been established and designed with express intent of success depending upon angling skills. These rules and their interpretation are solely reserved for the Tournament Rules Committee.

SAFETY: Safe boating conduct must be observed at all times by all participants. Boats and safety equipment will be subject to inspection by the N.C. Wildlife Commission. It is the participants responsibility to know all inland fishing and boating laws. **LIFE VESTS AND KILL SWITCHES MUST BE USED WHEN YOUR OUTBOARD IS RUNNING.**

PARTICIPANTS & ELIGIBILITY: The tournaments are open to all persons 18 years or older to fish as a team. An adult choosing a minor (under 18) as a partner will take full responsibility for that minor and must have their parents or guardian signature on the application form.

REGISTRATION & ALTERNATES: One partner must register at the tournament site at least 15 min. prior to take off to have a boat check and draw for their blast-off position. Each team can list one alternate for their team in case one of the members are unable to fish. This alternate can not be a member of another team fishing the trail. A team using an alternate must notify the tournament director prior to blastoff. Otherwise one of the team members can fish single as long as the full entry fee is paid.

FISHING CONDITIONS: In the event of inclement weather the Tournament Director reserves the right to change the start or end time if unsafe conditions occur.

REGULATIONS: 5 fish limit per boat will be weighed and scored. Only Large, Small and Spotted Bass will be weighed. Each team may weigh up to 5 fish. **2 fish must measure at least 12 inches. The other 3 fish in the creel must measure at least 14 inches.** Any illegal fish weighed in will result in the loss of that fish plus a 1 pound penalty deducted from the total weight. **There will be an 1 pound penalty for each dead fish weighed in.**

BOATS AND ENGINES: There will be no restrictions to size, type or engine used. The craft must be judged seaworthy and all running lights must be in working order.

TACKLE & EQUIPMENT: Only artificial lures may be used. **No live or cut bait.** All Bass must be caught alive with rod and reel. Snagging of fish is prohibited. All sight fish must be hooked inside the mouth. No trolling using combustion engine is allowed.

POINTS SYSTEM: Points are awarded based on 100 points for 1st, 99 points for 2nd, 98 points for 3rd and so forth all the way to 100th place will earn 1 point. 5 Bonus points will also be awarded to the team with the biggest fish of each tournament. **The Lake Hickory Tournament on June 6 will be a Double Points event.** In the event of a tie for the championship the team with the most overall pounds will be declared the winner. Teams that do not weigh in fish will receive last place points. The point total for last place will be determined by the number of teams that show up at the **first tournament** on Lake Norman. This point total will be used as last place points for the remainder of the tournaments. So, it is very important to weigh in even if you only have 1 or 2 fish so your team will receive maximum points for that tournament. If your team elects not to fish a tournament they will receive 35 points providing that their entry fee has been paid. Otherwise the team will receive 0 points.

CHAMPIONSHIP: The top 20 teams in points at the end of the season will compete for the no entry fee team championship June 20, 2009 on a lake to be announced. The championship winning team will receive plaques and qualify to fish the 2010 trail for free.

PAY BACK & BIG FISH: The big fish winner for each tournament will receive \$300.00. 80% of the remaining entry fees per tournament will be paid back as follows. 25% 1st, 20% 2nd, 15% 3rd, 12% 4th and 8% for 5th. 20% of the entry fees per tournament will be held back and will be paid out at the team championship on June 20, 2009.

LATE PENALTY: Teams that are not at the official check in area by the appointed time will be penalized at a rate of 1 pound per minute up to 10 minutes. After that time the team shall lose all weight for that days catch. If late, the penalty will apply to any big fish first, then total weight.

PERMITTED FISHING LOCATIONS: Fishing on tournament waters is permitted anywhere except within 50 yards of an anchored competitor **with the trolling motor up.** Any other no fishing areas will be announced at blast off. All competitors are expected to show courtesy to other competitors and non competitors at all times. All fishing must be done from your registered teams boat.

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM - MAIL TO: NOT JUST FISHIN - 2030 Connelly Springs Rd. Lenoir, N.C. 28645

NAME ANGLER #1 _____

SS# _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

PHONE _____

NAME ANGLER #2 _____

SS# _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

ALTERNATE: _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____

ZIP _____

DATE _____

DATE _____

DATE _____

Membership Dues
\$70 Per Team for 2009 Season

March 7

Lake Norman - \$80 Per Team

March 21

Lake Wylie - \$80 Per Team

April 18

Lake James - \$80 Per Team

May 9

Rhodhiss Lake - \$80 Per Team

June 6

Lake Hickory - \$80 Per Team

June 20

DOUBLE POINTS

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DATE _____

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\$70 Membership fee will be due by the first tournament on Lake Norman March 7, 2009. Tournament entry fees will be accepted up to 30 min prior to blastoff at each tournament. Make Checks Payable To: J.D. Norton
2030 Connelly Springs Rd.
Lenoir, N.C. 28645
Amount Enclosed _____

June 20th - Team Championship
Top 20 Teams in Points Qualify

PLEASE READ BEFORE SIGNING - If under 18 Parents or Guardian must sign under name

By signing this application, I understand and agree to all tournament rules. Furthermore, I understand that I am participating in these events on my own free will. Furthermore, I hereby release NOT-JUST-FISHIN, its owners, agents, employees, and sponsors from any and all damages, claims, demands, cost or expenses relating to injury to any persons or damage to any property which I may sustain or which may cause by reason of participating in or connection to this or any NOT-JUST-FISHIN event.

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