

HAVING ACQUAINTED ourselves with the rules, we have completed this application and are enclosing our entrance fee of \$100.00. In signing this application, we hereby waive and release all other contestants, the hosts, sponsors and tournament officials from all claims of injury and/or damage incurred in connection with this tournament. We further understand and agree that the Tournament Committee reserved the right to refund this entrance fee if it shall choose for any reason not to accept our application.

Partner 1,  
(Signature) Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Partner 2,  
(Signature) Date \_\_\_\_\_

TOURNAMENT: August 8th 2009, Fountain City Boat Landing, Fountain City, WI 54629

First Flight Ease-Off 6:15 AM - Weigh-In 3:00 PM

PRE-TOURNAMENT MEETING MANDATORY BY ONE TEAM MEMBER: August 8th, 2009— 6:00 A.M. at The Fountain City Boat Landing.

ENTRY: \$100 per Team (includes launch fee)

INFORMATION: Tournament information and entry blanks may be obtained from the following:

Jim Abts: 608-687-3113

Shawn Gunderson: 608-687-3334 or via the Fountain City Rod & Gun Club's web site at [www.fcrodgun.com](http://www.fcrodgun.com)

MEMBER 1

Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (area code) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBER 2

Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (area code) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Boat registration number \_\_\_\_\_

Please check which species of fish you will be fishing:

BASS

WALLEYE

\$10 entry fee for big fish (\$10 per division)

## **RULES AND REGULATIONS:**

1. RULES: The following rules of this Tournament will remain unchanged. Interpretation of these rules shall be left exclusively to the Tournament Rules Committee. The decision of the judges and tournament officials shall be final in all matters.

2. PARTICIPANTS AND ELIGIBILITY Participation in this tournament is open only to individuals who are 12 years of age or older with an adult.

3. PRE-TOURNAMENT PRACTICE: While on the river during practice, and during the tournament, a competitor may not have the assistance or advice of a professional guide, state or federal wildlife agency employee, or any other person deemed a "professional" expert on these tournament waters by the tournament committee unless he is a contestant in the tournament. DURING THE PRACTICE PERIOD, A COMPETITOR MAY NOT FISH, NOR ENTER THE TOURNAMENT WATERS WITH, ANYONE OTHER THAN ANOTHER COMPETITOR OR A MEMBER OF THE COMPETITOR'S IMMEDIATE FAMILY.

4. REGISTRATION: Must register at the Tournament Headquarters.

5. SAFETY: Safe boating conduct must be observed at all times by all tournament competitors. Each competitor is required to wear a Coast Guard approved chest-type life preserver. This preserver must be worn until the competitors reach their fishing location and the combustion engine is shut off. Vest does not need to be worn while trolling. Violation of this rule shall be reason for immediate disqualification.

6. SPORTSMANSHIP: Competitors are expected to follow high standards of sportsmanship, courtesy, safety and conservation. Any infraction of these fundamental sporting principles may be deemed cause for disqualification.

Drunkenness by any competitor during the tournament will not be tolerated and shall be cause for automatic disqualification. NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OR OTHER STIMULANTS OR DEPRESSANTS, SHALL BE ALLOWED IN THE BOATS.

7. TACKLE AND EQUIPMENT: Only artificial lures may be used for Bass. All fish must be caught live and in a conventional sporting manner. Live bait may be used for Walleye.

8. HORSEPOWER REGULATIONS: MAXIMUM HORSEPOWER FOR ALL OUTBOARD MOTORBOATS, USED IN TOURNAMENT COMPETITION, WILL not exceed horse power limitations set by the U.S. Coast Guard. In their ruling of November 1, 1972, each boat MUST have a U.S. Coast Guard horsepower rating plate attached to the boat by the manufacturer. The horsepower of the outboard engine must NOT exceed the specified on rating plate.

9. BOAT AND MOTOR: ALL BOATS MUST BE EQUIPPED WITH SOME TYPE OF IGNITION KILL SWITCH. Fishing boats may be used that are 12 feet or more in length. A small motor, gas or electric, may be used for slow maneuvering. Trolling as a method of fishing is prohibited for bass but may be used for walleye.

10. BASIC BOAT EQUIPMENT: Every boat must have all required Coast Guard Safety equipment. In addition, it MUST have a functional LIVE-WELL SPACE PROPERLY AERATED, TO ADEQUATELY MAINTAIN ALIVE A LIMIT CATCH BY THE FISHERMAN USING THE BOAT.

11. BOAT IDENTIFICATION: Each boat MUST be given, prior to the tournament start, an inspection check by a Tournament Official, also a numbered plate, which MUST remain with your boat until turned in at the end. This plate must be turned in to the officials at the check-in.

12. PERMITTED FISHING LOCATION: Fishing on the tournament waters is permitted anywhere except within 50 yards of any marina gas pump or within 50 yards of another competitor's boat which was first anchored. No such anchored boat shall permit selected competitors to fish within the 50 yard circle claimed by him to the exclusion of any other competitor. All angling must be done from the boat. Contestant must not depart boat to land fish. Both must remain in tournament waters during tournament day. Contestant must leave and return to official checkpoint by boat. Both competitors must remain in boat at all times except in case of dire emergency. In such an emergency, competitors MAY BE REMOVED FROM THEIR BOAT TO A BOAT OPERATED BY OTHER COMPETITORS OR A RESCUE BOAT SO DESIGNATED BY TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS. Partners must remain together at all times, in sight of each other and each other's catch, under the conditions cited above, in order for their catch of the day to be scored in the tournament. If a competitor must violate any of the above conditions, other than for an emergency, his catch of that day shall not be counted in the tournament. Trailing of boats during tournament hours is prohibited.

13. OFFICIAL CHECKPOINT: There shall be only one official point for check-out in the morning, and check-in in the afternoon, and this point shall be designated at the kick-off meeting. At the time of check-out, all competitors and their boats shall be in full conformance with all rules set forth by the Tournament Committee. At

check-in, all boats shall identify themselves by means of the numbered plate and proceed immediately to the designated weigh-in area.

14. SCORING: Tournament standings, auxiliary awards and final winners shall be determined by the pound and ounce weight of each catch during the day of the tournament. Only largemouth bass, smallmouth bass and walleye will be weighed. The limit shall be a total of 6 bass or 4 walleye. All competitors are bound by the prevailing statutes and regulations of the State of Wisconsin. Only bass 14 inches or more, or walleye 15 inches or more in length, measured with mouth closed, shall be weighed in. Fish presented for weigh-in which fail to measure the above specifications shall be disqualified.

15. DON'T KILL YOUR CATCH: Each team is expected to keep their fish alive by use of a properly aerated live-well. If you bring in a dead fish, you will be assessed a penalty of 1 pound per fish. **All walleye must be taken by competitors. None shall be released per WI DNR Regulations. Release of walleye(s) will be grounds for disqualification.**

16. LATE PENALTY: Competitors who are not in the official checkpoint areas as described in Rule 13 at the appointed times shall be disqualified. After proper recognition at the check-in point, competitors will be allowed ample time to proceed to the weigh-in site; however, all fishing must cease upon check-in. Exact starting and check-in times will be announced at the kick-off meeting.

17. TIES: Big fish will break total weight ties. Total weight will break big fish ties.

18. PRE-TOURNAMENT MEETING BY ONE TEAM MEMBER: There will be a pre-tournament kick-off meeting at the Fountain Boat Landing at 6:00 a.m. August 8th, 2009.

19. Protests must be submitted to tournament director board prior to awards.

LOCATION: Mississippi River, Pools 5, 5A and 6  
TOURNAMENT HEADQUARTERS: Fountain City Boat Landing

SPECIES: Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass, Walleye. (Six (6) Bass or Four (4) Walleye per team)

\*Prize Money:

1st Place Team----- \$1,800.00 and Plaque

2nd Place Team----- \$1,000.00

3rd Place Team----- \$700.00

4th Place Team ----- \$500.00

5th Place Team ----- \$350.00

Big Fish (both divisions, \$10.00 per team per division)

\*Prize money designated is based on field of 50 team entries per division. In the case of a partial field, the prize money will be reduced proportionally with a 90% pay back.

Entry fee includes launch fee.

**MAIL ALL ENTRIES TO:**

Jim Abts

W1191 Henry Lane

Fountain City, WI 54629

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:**

Fountain City Rod & Gun Club

## Team Bass and Walleye Tournament

Presented By:

**Fountain City  
Rod & Gun Club**

In conjunction with Fountain City  
Lions Club Festival

**Saturday  
August 8th, 2009**

**\*Prize Money:**

**BASS**

1<sup>ST</sup> \$1,800.00

2<sup>ND</sup> \$1,000.00

3<sup>RD</sup> \$700.00

4<sup>TH</sup> \$500.00

5<sup>TH</sup> \$350.00

**WALLEYE**

1<sup>ST</sup> \$1,800.00

2<sup>ND</sup> \$1,000.00

3<sup>RD</sup> \$700.00

4<sup>TH</sup> \$500.00

5<sup>TH</sup> \$350.00

TOURNAMENT HEADQUARTERS:

FOUNTAIN CITY BOAT  
LANDING BY CITY PARK

**Deadline: Early Bird drawing,  
entry must be received by  
midnight August 3rd, 2009.**

