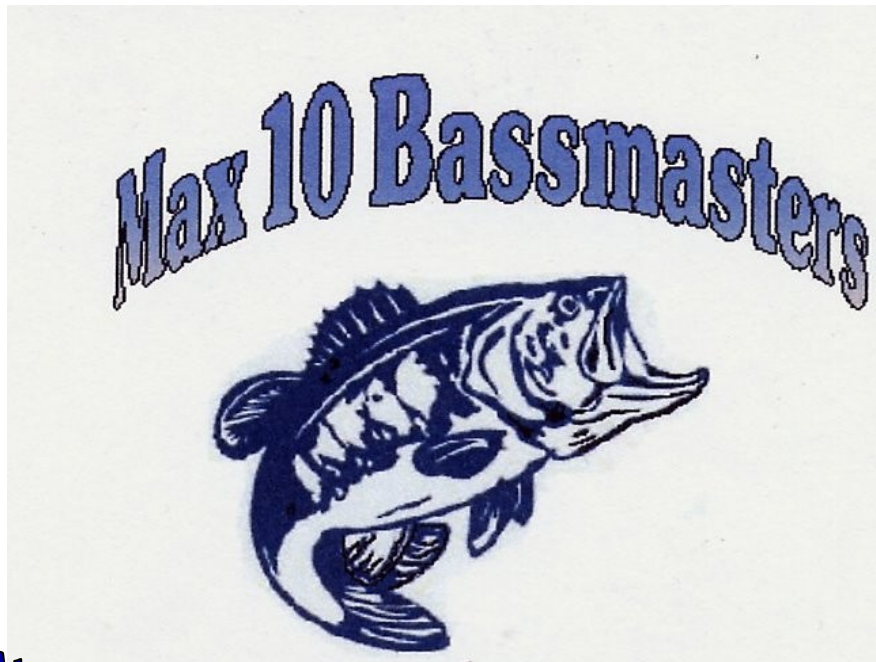


# Open Tournament



**MEMBER B.A.S.S. FEDERATION NATION OF VA**

**MAY 9, 2009 SMITH MOUNTAIN  
LAKE**

**PENHOOK RAMP 6 am ~ 3pm**

**\$80 Includes \$10 Lunker**

**5 Fish Limit**

**Pay back 1 for every 7 Boats**

**GUARANTEED \$1,000 First Place**

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Registration Begins at 4:30 am

To pre-register contact:

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# SUMMARY OPEN TOURNAMENT RULES (2009)

1. Rules and Interpretation: The Tournament Rules Committee shall be responsible for the interpretation and enforcement of tournament rules. The committee will rule on any situation, which may occur. Their decision is final.

2. Eligibility of Participants: Only anglers 16 years and older, unless accompanied by a parent or guardian, will be allowed to participate.

3. Tournament Registration: One member of each team is required to register their team prior to starting time. Registration will be from 4:30 a.m. to 5:45 a.m. Entry fee is \$80 which includes \$10 for the big fish pot.

4. Tournament Time: The tournament time will be 6:00 a.m. til 3:00 p.m.

5. Safety: Each tournament participant must wear a Coast Guard approved, life preserver, properly fastened, any time the boat is on plane. The operator of the boat must have a kill switch attached to his life jacket any time the boat is on plane.

6. Sportsmanship: All contestants are required to comply with the Virginia Department of Game and Fisheries regulations. Alcoholic beverages or drugs will not be permitted in any tournament boat or at the official weigh-in. All contestants are expected to conduct themselves in a sportsman like manner at all times. Fish is permitted any where on Smith Mountain Lake except within 50 yards of another team's anchored boat or an operating gas pump.

7. Tackle Permitted: Fly, spinning, casting or spin-casting reels and rods will be approved for use in this tournament. One rod and reel combination may be used at a time. Artificial lures only may be used to catch bass.

8. Boat and Motor: Trolling with a gasoline motor to catch bass will not be permitted. All boats must be equipped with required Coast Guard safety equipment. Boats must have aerated live wells.

9. Contestant Identification: All boats will be checked prior to the start of the tournament. Numbers will be assigned in order of registration.

10. Scoring: The creel weight will determine winning positions in this tournament.

Payback: One place will be paid for every 7 boats entered using 80% payback to participants of the entry fees. The lunker pot will be paid back at 100% of participation with the winner receiving the entire pot for the single biggest bass of the event. In case of a tie for the biggest bass, the pot will be split 50/50. The big fish will be determined by the largest weight of either a large mouth or a small mouth bass.

## ENTRY FORM

TEAM NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

BOATER \_\_\_\_\_ NON BOATER \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE AND ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURES \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

By signing this application, I am waiving and releasing all contestants, Max 10 Bassmasters, Max 10 Bassmasters tournament officials and sponsors from all claims for personal injury or property damage incurred in connection with this tournament. I also agree to submit to a polygraph test if necessary. No participation in this tournament without the signature of both contestants.