



Open Buddy Bass Tournament

Table Rock Lake
Saturday, April 28th, 2018
State Park Boat Ramp

FIRST PLACE \$1,000.00

One place per every 10 boats

50% of entry to be paid out in prize money - 50% goes directly to
The Arc of the Ozarks

(prize money based on 50 boat minimum)

Attendance Prizes will also be drawn for!!!

Fishing hours: 7:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. *(subject to weather conditions)

Entry Fee: \$100 per boat due by April 14, 2018. Any entry after 4/14 will require an
additional charge of \$20.00 and must be paid in cash or money order.

\$20.00 Optional Big Bass Pot - 100% payback

PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE ARC OF THE OZARKS

**No contestant fishing in the tournament may be a Pro, Fishing Guide, or have collected
\$2,500.00 or more in tournament winnings on Table Rock Lake in 2017.**

For Information, contact: Glenn Rosser (636) 866-4741 or Janice Bennett (636) 219-3936

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE ARC OF THE OZARKS OPEN BUDDY BASS TOURNAMENT

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1. **The Decisions**-of the judges and tournament officials shall be final in all matters.
2. **Participants and eligibility**-One of the team members must be at least 18 years of age or have at least one adult and a permission slip from a legal guardian accompanying the minor.
3. **Pre-tournament practice**-There will be no off-limit days, but practice must cease at sundown on Friday, April 27, 2018
4. **Check-in**-At least one member of each team must check-in in person at the tournament site on the evening before (4/27) or the morning of the tournament. The registration will be at the Picnic Shelter at Table Rock State Park. Registration on 4/27 will be from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM and starting at 5:00 A.M. the morning of the tournament.
5. **Safety**-Safe boat conduct must be observed at all times and a Coast Guard approved life preserver must be worn when the motor is running. The life preserver must be strapped, zipped or snapped securely. Violation of this rule shall be reason for disqualification.
6. **Sportsmanship**-Follow the Golden Rule, competitors are expected to follow high levels of sportsmanship. Maximum courtesy must be observed, especially when fishing close to non-competitors in tournament waters. No alcoholic beverages or non-prescription stimulants will be allowed in the boats or in the weigh-in area.
7. **Tackle and Equipment**-Artificial lures only.
8. **Boat and Motor**-Kill switches must be operational and attached to the boat driver whenever the outboard motor is in use.
9. **Basic Boat Equipment**-All boats must have basic Coast Guard safety equipment as well as an operational aerator and livewell large enough for 5 fish.
10. **Trolling**-As a method of fishing is prohibited.
11. **Permitted fishing locations**-Table Rock Lake except within the no wake zones of State Park Marina and State Park Boat Ramp, and within 50 yards of another contestant's boat. No fishing in any area posted off limits to public fishing.
12. **Contestants**-must remain in the boat to fish and land fish.
13. **Official Checkpoint**-The State Park Boat Ramp will be the site of the take-off and weigh-in. Take off position will be determined by order of entry.
14. **Scoring**-Five fish limit per boat. 15-inch minimum. Only largemouth, smallmouth and spotted bass may be weighed. No stringers at any time.
15. **Keep the fish alive**-Contestants will receive a 8-ounce penalty for any dead fish weighed in.
16. **Late penalty**-Competitors will be penalized one pound per minute that they are late to the check-in point. If competitor is 10 minutes late for weigh-in, disqualification will result.
17. **Total Creel Ties**-Will be broken by earliest boat number. Big bass ties will be broken by largest creel weight.
18. **Polygraph Test**-May be administered to any contestant at the discretion of the tournament committee.
19. **Rule Changes and Modifications**-Rules are subject to change with state game laws. Officials of the tournament will make the final decisions regarding all rules, rule changes, and the interpretation of said rules.

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM FOR THE ARC OF THE OZARKS BENEFIT FISHING TOURNAMENT

We have read and understand the rules and have signed the completed application to enter "The Arc of the Ozarks" Open Buddy Bass Tournament. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, we, the undersigned, assume full and complete responsibility for any injury or accident which may occur during participation in "The Arc of the Ozarks" fishing tournament, or while on the premises of the event, and hereby release and hold harmless the sponsors, promoters and all other persons and entities associated with this event from any and all injury or damage, whether it is caused by negligence of the sponsors or promoters, or other persons or entities associated with this event or their agents or employees or otherwise. Entry constitutes permission to use winner's names and photos for publicity purposes. Receipt date of entry determines starting position. Fees are non-refundable.

Boaters Name _____ Partners Name _____

Address _____ Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ City/State/Zip _____

Phone# _____ Phone# _____

E-mail _____ E-mail _____

Signature _____ Date _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Entries to be mailed with check to: **The Arc of the Ozarks, Attn: Danielle Wise, 1501 E. Pythian, Springfield, MO 65802**

Make checks payable to: **The Arc of the Ozarks**