



**2023 Mountain State Forest Festival
Bass Fishing Classic Entry Form
Saturday, September 30, 2023**

*Name 1.) _____

*Address _____

*City _____ *State _____ *Zip Code _____

*Phone _____

*Length of Boat _____ *Make of Boat _____

*E-mail address _____

*Name 2.) _____

*Address _____

*City _____ *State _____ *Zip Code _____

*Phone _____

*Length of Boat _____ *Make of Boat _____

*E-mail address _____

Registration Fee \$75.00 per boat with \$10.00 going Lunker

Please complete and remit to:
Mountain State Forest Festival
P.O. Box 388
Elkins, WV 26241

Release: By signing this form I release the Mountain State Forest Festival from any and all personal injury or property damage that I may incur as a result of my participation in the Mountain State Forest Festival.

Signature 1.) _____ Date _____

Signature 2.) _____ Date _____

Mountain State Forest Festival

General Rules & Regulations

- 1) Mountain State Forest Festival reserves the right to adjust locations in the event of inclement weather, inclement ground conditions or as needed.
- 2) All applications for specific events and entry fees must be received by the deadline set for specific event.
- 3) All applications will be reviewed by the designated Mountain State Forest Festival committee. Participants or vendor will be notified by mail/email if the application is accepted by the committee by the deadline advertised for that event.
- 4) All registration fees are non-refundable unless specified in the specific rules for that event.
- 5) A royalty will be charged to any vendor selling wears bearing the Mountain State Forest Festival and/or the official logo of the Mountain State Forest Festival.
- 6) Please note any special needs on your application. We will attempt to meet the special need, if any additional fees are required for your request we will notify you of the additional fee within two (2) weeks of receiving your application and fee.
- 7) The Mountain State Forest Festival, or any agent acting on its behalf, will not be responsible for damages to exhibitor /vendor displays, units or property.
- 8) The Mountain State Forest Festival reserves the right to advertise the presence of the exhibitor or vendor. The exhibitor agrees to hold the Mountain State Forest Festival and any agent acting on its behalf harmless from any advertising or other liability.
- 9) Unless otherwise agreed upon all hardware (i.e. electrical cords, tables, tents/canopy, coverings, lighting, etc.) is the responsibility of the Exhibitor/Vendor.
- 10) Alcohol is strictly prohibited at any Mountain State Forest Festival event without prior written permission from the Mountain State Forest Festival Board of Directors.
- 11) No merchandise depicting drugs, alcohol or tobacco may be sold, displayed or promoted at any Mountain State Forest Festival event without prior written permission.
- 12) No item used to consume drugs or promote violence may be sold, displayed, or promoted at any Mountain State Forest Festival event.
- 13) Mountain State Forest Festival reserves the right to request a vendor to remove any merchandise or display that the event organizers determine is unacceptable or inconsistent with the Forest Festival rules or philosophy.
- 14) The Mountain State Forest Festival will be following all local, state, and federal guidelines related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Submission of your application for the Bass Fishing Classic is agreement to follow any safety protocols required by the Mountain State Forest Festival.
- 15) Mountain State Forest Festival reserves the right to evict any person/organization/business for failure to follow the General Rules or the Specific Rules for each event.

By signing below I indicate I have read the General Rules & Regulations and understand each as they apply and have made a copy for myself/organization/business:

*Signature 1.)

*Date

*Signature 2.)

*Date



Mountain State Forest Festival Bass Fishing Classic Rules & Regulations

1. Entrants must be 18 years of age unless accompanied by an adult.
2. Tournament official will disqualify and entrant for violation of tournaments rules, unsportsmanlike conduct, or rough handling of fish.
3. All grievances will be made to tournament officials prior to weigh-in.
4. Official's decision is final.
5. Live bait is not allowed.
6. No trolling.
7. All fishing must be done from inside entrant's boat. Only one line per angler may be in the water at a time.
8. only two entrants permitted in boat during tournament hours. Partner changing during the tournament is not allowed
9. The catch limit is five (5) per team. All fish must measure ten (10) inches from tip of snout, with mouth closed to the end of the tail.
10. Scores will be based on total weight.
11. There will be 0.25 lb. penalty per dead fish. NO culling of dead fish.
12. No fishing is permitted within fifty (50) feet of another boat when anchored with trolling motor up.
13. Contestants arriving late at check in;
 - Boat will be penalized one (1) pound per minute.
 - Any contestant more than ten (10) minutes late will be disqualified.
14. All boats must be register and have required US Coast Guard Safety equipment as well as...
15. ...Properly aerated live well or cooler.
16. All boats must be in good condition.
17. Proof of insurance must be available upon request.
18. Prize money is presented based on the weight of your team's catch. In case of a tie, position shall be determined by dividing award money equally among tied teams.
19. Tournament officials will have the authority to change starting times or cancel tournament should severe weather arrive, in which case the Mountain State Forest Festival will refund entry fee.
20. Penalty for short fish will be loss of biggest fish. A courtesy board will be provided at weigh-in site.
21. All boats must be inspected prior to start of tournament. It is the contractor's responsibility to make sure boat is inspected.
22. No more than five (5) bass may be in live wells at any time. Any person(s) found in violation of this rule will be disqualified.

23. Tournament will be held at Scott Ford Boat Ramp on the Tygart River in Elkins, on Saturday, September 30, 2023. Boats will launch at 6:30 AM or safe light.

By signing below, I indicate I have read the Bass Fishing Classic General Rules & Regulations and understand each as they apply and have made a copy for myself/organization/ business:

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Date

*Signature 2.)

Date