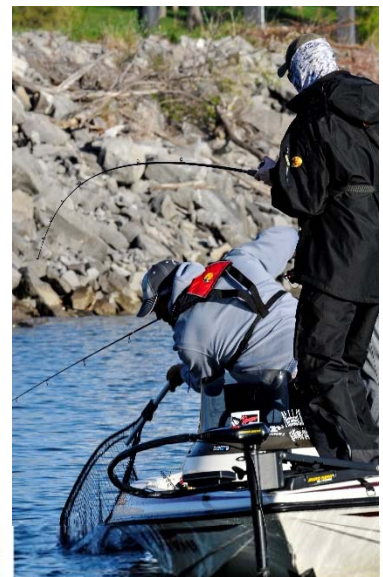
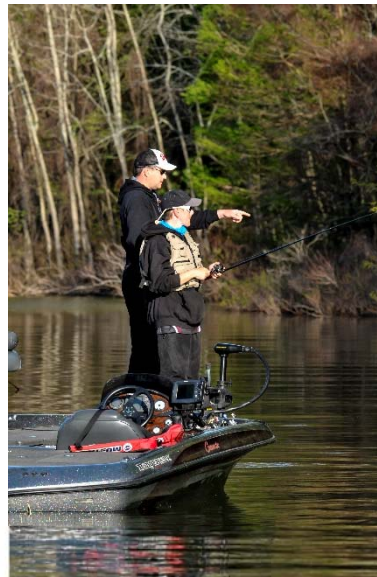




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INTRODUCTION AND CONTACT INFORMATION

- Congratulations from the Board of Control and staff of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association on advancing to the state championship
- The purpose of these instructions is to provide information about participation in the 2017 KHSAA State Bass Fishing Championship

KHSAA STAFF CONTACTS

- Administrators and Coaches should contact Assistant Commissioner Darren Bilberry (dbilberry@khsaa.org), Assistant Commissioner Mike Barren (mbarren@khsaa.org) or Mr. Bilberry's Administrative Assistant Jeanie Molloy (jmolloy@khsaa.org) at the KHSAA offices should you have any questions
- Media and result inquiries should be directed to Communications Director Joe Angolia at the KHSAA offices (jangolia@khsaa.org)
- Inquiries may also be directed to the KHSAA offices at (859) 299-5472, or our fax number is (859) 293-5999, and any member of the staff should be able to refer you to the correct party
- Mr. Scott Ellison of FLW will serve as the head official for the state tournament and can also assist with questions regarding the state tournament

PRE-EVENT LOGISTICS

PRE-TOURNAMENT CONFERENCE CALL

- There will be a conference call for all competing teams prior to the state tournament
- Participating schools will be sent via email, additional instructions regarding the call
- The tournament official will go over the rules and the tournament manager will review the format
- Both will answer any questions you might have

GENERAL INFORMATION

- The date of the 2017 KHSAA State Bass Fishing Tournament is May 11-13 at Kentucky Dam Marina (466 Marina Drive, Gilbertsville, KY 42044)

DIRECTIONS

- From Central Kentucky
 - Take the Bluegrass Parkway West towards Elizabethtown to the Western Kentucky Parkway
 - Take the Western Kentucky Parkway to I-24 West towards Paducah
 - Take I-24 West to KY 453 towards Grand Rivers/Smithland
 - Take KY 453 South to US-62 West/US-641 South
 - Take US-641 South to Marina Drive
- From Louisville
 - Take I 65-South towards Elizabethtown to the Western Kentucky Parkway
 - Take the Western Kentucky Parkway to I-24 West towards Paducah
 - Take I-24 West to KY 453 towards Grand Rivers/Smithland
 - Take KY 453 South to US-62 West/US-641 South
 - Take US-641 South to Marina Drive
- From Northern Kentucky
 - Take I-71 South/I-75 South towards Louisville
 - Take I 65-South towards Elizabethtown to the Western Kentucky Parkway
 - Take the Western Kentucky Parkway to I-24 West towards Paducah
 - Take I-24 West to KY 453 towards Grand Rivers/Smithland
 - Take KY 453 South to US-62 West/US-641 South
 - Take US-641 South to Marina Drive
- From South Central Kentucky
 - Take the Cumberland Parkway towards I-65 South Bowling Green
 - Take the Western Kentucky Parkway towards Paducah
 - Take the Western Kentucky Parkway to I-24 West towards Paducah
 - Take I-24 West to KY 453 towards Grand Rivers/Smithland
 - Take KY 453 South to US-62 West/US-641 South
 - Take US-641 South to Marina Drive
- From Eastern Kentucky
 - Take I-64 West to KY-4 West New Circle Road

- Take KY-4 West New Circle Road to Bluegrass Parkway West
- Take the Bluegrass Parkway West towards Elizabethtown to the Western Kentucky Parkway
- Take the Western Kentucky Parkway to I-24 West towards Paducah
- Take I-24 West to KY 453 towards Grand Rivers/Smithland
- Take KY 453 South to US-62 West/US-641 South
- Take US-641 South to Marina Drive

PARKING

- Parking at the marina is free on a first-come, first-serve basis

LODGING

- The host hotel is the Kentucky Dam Village (113 Administration Drive, Gilbertsville, KY 42044) (1-270-362-4271)
- Qualifying teams should make their reservations by April 26th
- When making reservations, be sure to tell them that you are a school involved in the KHSAA State Bass Fishing Championship

COACHES PACKET PICK UP

- Coaches will need to check-in and sign for their team packets discussed on the conference call
- See KHSAA and FLW representatives at the participant check-in table

BYLAW 22 REMINDER

- KHSAA Bylaw 22 requires a member of the faculty of the school to be present along with any student-athlete who is representing a member school
- See Bylaw 22 in the KHSAA Handbook if you have any questions

COMPETITION DATES AND SCHEDULE

- A timetable for the tournament is posted on the Bass Fishing page of the KHSAA website
- There is a link to this information contained in the list at the end of these instructions

ADMISSION INTO VENUE

- General admission for the 2017 KHSAA Bass Fishing State Tournament is free

FACILITY

- Kentucky Lake is open to all spectators at all times

WHEELCHAIR/A.D.A. ACCOMMODATIONS

- The KHSAA will exercise normal care and control to provide students and fans with accessible seating during the weigh-ins
- Efforts will be made to make a reasonable accommodation for those individuals who may need wheelchair access or other needs due to disabilities
- Please see Darren Bilberry or Mike Barren of the KHSAA staff for instructions

T-SHIRT SALES/DISTRIBUTION (NON-KHSAA SALES)

- There will be no sale or distribution of t-shirts or any other type of athletic apparel on-site, except by approved KHSAA vendors

STATE TOURNAMENT ENTRY PROCEDURE

- Registration for the state tournament is online at the link listed at the end of these instructions
- Participants – The 64 participating team members and coaches will pick up a packet at the rules meeting
- Coaches must turn in the completed Release of Liability form which is located at the end of these instructions
- Each team will be supplied with a yellow flag at the team check-in to designate their boat as a participating member of the state championship

STATE TOURNAMENT TIME SCHEDULE

- A timetable for the tournament is posted on the Bass Fishing page of the KHSAA website

- There is a link to this information contained in the list at the end of these instructions

STATE PRE-TOURNAMENT GUIDELINES

- A random boat draw for take-off will be set ahead of time and posted on the KHSAA website before the date of the competition
- The order will be reversed on the second day
- Competition waters are open for practice until the start of the pre-tournament meeting, Thursday May 11 at 6:00 p.m. CST
- Team check-in will be Thursday, May 11, at 6:00 p.m. CST at the Kentucky Dam Village Convention Center
- There will also be team introductions beginning at 7:35 p.m. CST following team check-in
- The rules meeting will begin at 8:20 p.m. CST

RULES POINTS OF EMPHASIS

- State final will consist of two days of fishing with a maximum of eight (8) hours of fishing each day, when possible
- During competition, any boat may return to the dock and exchange competitors, each of whom must have been listed on the four-person entry
- If weather shuts down either day of the State final once it has started, that day's weight will be determined by the fish caught during the time allotted for that day
- In the state final, if one of the days is completed and the other day is not able to be finished because of weather, the winner(s) will be determined by the one day weigh-in
- There will be a one pound deduction for every minute a participant is late getting back for weigh-ins up to 15 minutes
- After 15 minutes, no weight will be allowed for that day
- It is the participant's responsibility to notify the competition manger in advance of any problems that may have occurred

HEALTH INFORMATION

ATHLETIC TRAINER

- Athletic Training services will be provided for participating teams during this event
- Athletic Training staff will be available beginning one hour prior to the first flight and remain available throughout the day
- Schools are reminded that they are responsible for ensuring that the parental permission to seek medical treatment is authorized from each participant
- The Principal, Athletic Director and/or the Head Coach can use a copy of KHSAA Form GE04 (the physical exam form) for this purpose, as this form contains appropriate language, and should bring that form for each athlete

VENUE SAFETY

- Persons who attend KHSAA events may be injured as a result of the risks inherent in being a spectator at such events
- Attendance at events is a vital family and community based activity which is encouraged
- Please advise KHSAA or venue personnel of any situation you encounter which you or a squad member feels should be addressed to minimize risk to all involved

EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN

- KHSAA Staff, in consultation with the Athletic Training staff and FLW personnel, has developed an Emergency Action Plan for this event
- This plan will be reviewed during the rules meeting

STATE EVENT OFFICIALS

- The tournament Head Official, Scott Ellison, shall be available during the conference call to address any questions about Bass Fishing Tournament rules
- The head official and his staff of officials will assist the KHSAA with the aspects of the tournament

SPORTSMANSHIP

- The Kentucky High School Athletic Association requires officials to enforce sportsmanship rules
- High School Athletics emphasize positive values
- All parties have worked hard to create a sense of teamwork, respect, responsibility and perspective
- We remind you that officials expect good behavior and will quickly penalize misconduct
- We encourage and appreciate your help

MEDIA, CORPORATE, TV, RADIO, WEBCAST, TRADEMARKS

SCHOOL MEDIA

- Each school is permitted one (1) school media pass at KHSAA State Championship events, valid only for a full-time staff member or a student for the sole purpose of reporting the events and for taking non-commercial pictures for yearbooks, school publications, etc
- Outside entities such as professional photographers, videographers or parents may not utilize the school media pass
- This pass must be requested in advance of the start of the event through the online system

TRADITIONAL MEDIA

- Traditional media members (print, TV, radio, online) interested in covering KHSAA State Championship events should apply for credentials through the KHSAA's online system
- Applications should be submitted by the editor or director at each organization
- Freelance photographers will not be granted access to KHSAA events unless the requisite media rights fee is paid

MEDIA RIGHTS FEE

- Freelance/commercial photographers and radio stations interested in originating a broadcast of a KHSAA State Championship event, are subject to a media rights fee
- Information regarding the media rights fee for each event is available through the online credentialing system

TEAM BROADCASTS

- By paying the requisite fee, each school qualifying for a KHSAA State Championship event may designate one (1) radio station or website to originate an AUDIO-only broadcast of each game its affiliated school participates in
- An official representative of the participating school shall designate to the KHSAA which station/website will be permitted to broadcast its game using the online system
- The radio station/website shall then apply for championship credentials through the KHSAA's online credentialing system
- Originating stations/websites will be subject to a media rights fee, which will be outlined through the online credentialing system
- The KHSAA is the only entity permitted to originate or authorize a video broadcast of KHSAA State Championship events

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

- The intellectual property, corporate, broadcasting and media rights to the postseason rounds prior to the state finals belong exclusively to the KHSAA, including titling agreements and sponsorships

VIDEOTAPING

- External power sources may not be used by patrons
- Patrons may videotape any portion of this competition from the confines of their defined spectator area but may not in any manner transmit video live through any resource, including personal social media accounts

- Violators are subject to removal

BROADCAST/TELECAST/WEBCAST RIGHTS

- No member school can sign an exclusive agreement for a postseason round (district, region, sub-section, section) without agreement between the schools and approval of the KHSAA Office including full compliance with the restrictions of the NFHS Network and the KHSAA participation in the network
- At all levels of competition during postseason play, control of media access and location at those contests is with the KHSAA
- In general, the management of those rights may be assigned to the manager at the host KHSAA member school for the district, regional and sectional (semi-state) competition
- At all levels of competition, including district, regional, sectional, and state competition in KHSAA sponsored tournaments and meets, managers are encouraged to make allowances for members of the television media to tape the contests at no charge to the media outlet, as long as the taping is for the sole purpose of newscast highlights

EVENT MERCHANDISING

- KHSAA State Championship apparel will be available for sale at the event and online post event
- TeamIP is the exclusive vendor of championship apparel, please look for their tent at the championship event to purchase memorabilia
- No outside merchandise representative of the event may be produced by any other entity and sold or distributed inside the playing facility

POST EVENT

TROPHIES AND AWARDS

- Trophies and individual medals will be awarded to the team's finishing first, second, third and fourth
- One medal will be awarded to the angler who catches the biggest bass on either day of the tournament

CHAMPIONSHIP PHOTOS

- The KHSAA pays for professional photography coverage of the event
- Official championship photos of the event will be available for purchase through the KHSAA's online photo gallery within 72 hours of the completion of the event
- Coaches/Parents WILL NOT be permitted access inside the awards area to take pictures at the awards ceremonies

FINANCES AND EXPENSES

- There is no school reimbursement for this event
- Member schools are responsible for all expenses incurred for participation in this event

IMPORTANT WEBSITE LINKS AND FORMS

- KHSAA Bass Fishing Information - <http://khsaa.org/sports/sports-activities/bass-fishing/>
- Online Registration - <https://tbfwebservices.com/tourneys/saf/register/>
- Bass Fishing Tournament Schedule - <http://khsaa.org/bassfishing/2017/timetable.pdf>
- Competition Rules - <http://khsaa.org/handbook/competitionrules/bfcompetitionrules.pdf>
- Release of Liability - <http://khsaa.org/bassfishing/2017/waiver.pdf>
- Media Credentials - <http://khsaa.org/news-stats-pubs/media-resources/media-credentials/>
- School Media Requests - <http://khsaa.org/si103-school-media-request-form/>
- Midway University/KHSAA Female Student Athlete Nomination - goo.gl/fB7JvG
- School Broadcast Radio - <http://khsaa.org/si113-school-broadcast-designated-radio-form/>
- Photo Gallery - <http://khsaa.zenfolio.com/>
- Venue and Lake Boundary Map - <https://goo.gl/opXUZw>