

UMaine Black Bear

“Big Bass Dash for Cash” on 3 Mile Pond

Sunday July 8, 2018 - 7:30am – 3:30pm



Weigh your biggest bass, at weigh in site every 2 hours! Win up to 4 times plus a chance at the overall Big Bass prize, 50/50 Raffle and more!

Entry Fee Per Team or Fish Alone: \$120 Cash Only

Registration: 6am-7am

Draw & Practice Period: Draw for blast off, No Cut off Period

Limit: 12” Minimum length, 1 fish weighed per team, per period...See Rules

Payback: \$3,300 based on full field of 33 boats.

Come support - The University of Maine Collegiate B.A.S.S. Team

Parking for trailered vehicles only on site, (no boat trailer...no parking)

Payout Structure Based on 33 Boats

“Payouts will be adjusted according to number of entrants”

Time Slot	1 ST Big Bass	2 nd Big Bass	3 rd Big Bass
730 - 930 am	\$400	\$200	\$100
930 - 1130 am	\$400	\$200	\$100
1130 - 130 pm	\$400	\$200	\$100
130 - 330 pm	\$400	\$200	\$100
Overall Champion - Big Bass of the Day			
\$500			

Maine Black Bear “Big Bass Dash for Cash” 3 Mile Pond Rules

- 1. RULES & REGULATIONS:** The tournament committee members are designated judges and are responsible for the interpretation and enforcement of the tournament rules. THEIR DECISIONS ARE FINAL. The judges are eligible to compete for all prizes.
- 2. INSURANCE:** All boaters upon the request of the officials are required to show proof of \$100,000 liability insurance either at registration or before receiving any awards.
- 3. PROTEST:** Protest must be filed in writing before first fish is weighed.
- 4. TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION:** Registration will take place the morning of the tournament starting at 6:00am and ending at 7:00am at the state launch. Pre-register by mail or in person. There is a State limit of **33 boats on Three Mile**. Contestants under the age of 16 must be teamed with a parent or guardian. Each person in the boat must be a paid contestant of the official tournament and abide by all tournament and State rules and regulations.
- 5. OFFICIAL CHECKPOINT:** The dock area at the launch.
- 6. SAFETY:** Safe boating must be observed always. Life vest must be worn and fastened any time the combustion engine is in gear. Failure to comply will result in disqualification. All boats must have approved coast guard equipment on board including fire extinguisher and kill switch.
- 7. SPORTSMANSHIP:** All participants are required to comply with all Fish and Wildlife regulations of the State of Maine and this tournament. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IN A TOURNAMENT BOAT, AT THE OFFICIAL WEIGH – IN, OR THE AWARDS CEREMONY. Violators of this rule will be disqualified. All contestants are expected to conduct themselves in a sportsman like manner.
- 8. TACKLE PERMITTED:** Only spinning, casting, or spin casting rods will be approved for this tournament. All bass must be caught on artificial lures in a sportsman like manner between the official tournament hours of 730am-330pm on July 8, 2018. No live or prepared baits with the exception of pork rind, etc. are allowed. A contestant may fish with only one rod at a time. However, he or she may have other rods prepared in the boat.
- 9. BOATS AND MOTORS:** Electric motors may be used to maneuver a boat while fishing. NO TROLLING permitted. Combustion engines shall not exceed **250 H.P.**
- 10. ANCHORED BOAT:** A boat is considered anchored if any anchoring device is in use and the trolling motor is in the stowed position. If anchored a 50-yard distance must be kept by other competitors.
- 11. SCORING:** Only smallmouth and largemouth bass caught on tournament waters during official tournament hours will be scored. The minimum length limit shall be 12 inches. Dead bass will not be weighed.
 - 11A)** Only 2 bass allowed in the livewell per team at any time.
 - 11B)** Only 1 bass may be weighed per team per period at the designated weigh in site. Once you weigh in a bass you may go back to fishing but must wait for the next time period to weigh again. Bass entered in the Big Bass of the period contest do not carry forward from period to period. Your biggest bass registered will be included in the final overall Big Bass Standings.
 - 11C)** Anglers do not have to weigh a fish in each period, you may continue fishing.
 - 11D)** To qualify as a Big Bass, all bass must be weighed alive. A fish may only be scored once. One courtesy weigh is allowed, and that courtesy weight will be counted. Once the fish has been weighed-in it becomes property of the tournament committee and will be returned live to the lake.
 - 11E) WEIGH IN TIMES:** There are 4 different weigh-in periods. You must be checked in at the weigh in location within the time period that you wish to enter.
- 12. TIES:** In case of a tie in a period, it will be broken by the earliest weigh-in time for that time period. Ties for the overall days big bass will be the earliest weigh-in from all periods.
- 13. VIOLATIONS:** Any contestant found to be in violation of any tournament rules and regulations will be subject to disqualification from this tournament and all future tournaments. All bass weighed by contestants will be disqualified if any of the said contestants are found to be in violation of any tournament rules and regulations.
- 14. LIVEWELLS:** All fish must be kept in a continuous flowing aerated livewell. If your livewell stops working you must weigh in any bass you have and you must forfeit the remaining hours or until the livewell is proven to be working again by a tournament official.
- 15. FISHING LOCATION:** Fishing is allowed on Three Mile Pond. There will be an off limits area around the dock area which will be explained at the morning meeting.
- 16. AWARDS AND PRIZES:** Contestants must be present at the awards ceremony to claim any money or prizes.