

New Horizon Bass Anglers Youth Foundation Inc.

Kids Fishing Derby Information Sheet

General Information

- Welcome to the New Horizon Bass Anglers Youth Foundation Inc. Kids Fishing Derby!
- Bait is available at the BAIT TABLE. Look for the bait sign.
- **Fishing poles (Limited Number available on a first come, first serve basis), hooks, & bobbers are available for those without, at the bait table.**
- If your child needs help with getting ready, baiting the hook, fish removal, etc., look for our volunteers with brightly colored vests. We'll be glad to help!!

Rules – Effective June 11, 2015

- All children must be accompanied by an adult.
- **Child must be present at the awards to win. No exceptions!**
- Prizes – There are two awards divisions – Age 1-6 and 7-15. There will be a grand prize for each age group. **Children who won the grand prize in past derbies regardless of division are not eligible to win it again.**
- Children must be 15 years old or younger to participate. Children 15 and younger do not need a license. **Parents need a license to fish.** (Except on Free Fishing Days).
- Each child should have no more than one rod with one hook or lure in use at a time.
- Derby fishing is not limited to any particular species of fish; bluegill, bass, trout, catfish, all count towards a child's total catch. Sorry, ducks, geese and turtles do not count.
- **Fishing in the spillway and creek below the dam is strictly prohibited. Fishing is limited to the lake shoreline and the walkway leading to the Marina. Fishing from the floating docks and/or boats is not permitted. Any child fishing in prohibited areas will be disqualified.**
- **Kids MUST NOT cast when people are walking behind them on the Marina walkway. Parents are requested to monitor this carefully in the interest of safety.**
- Parents may assist children in the 1-6 age group. Children in the 7-15 age group must cast, hook, and catch the fish on their own. Parents may assist with baiting the hook and taking fish off the hook.

Recording Fish Catches

When you catch a fish, **it must be immediately** brought to a weigh station**. There will be weigh stations located around the perimeter of the lake. Look for bright orange signs and blue tents. If you have to walk a long distance to get to the weigh station or if there is a line, please use a plastic bag filled with water to keep the fish in. Fish will be measured by length and rounded up to the nearest half inch. Fish will not be weighed. After the fish length has been recorded, please return the fish to the water, so that another kid can enjoy catching him another day!

**** PLEASE NOTE THAT ONLY ONE FISH MAY BE BROUGHT TO THE WEIGH STATION AT A TIME. IF A CHILD BRINGS A BUCKET OF FISH TO MEASURE, ONLY THE LARGEST FISH WILL BE COUNTED AND ALL OTHERS WILL BE THROWN BACK AND WILL NOT BE COUNTED TOWARD THE PARTICIPANT'S FISH TOTAL.****

Schedule

8:00 to 9:00 am - Registration
9:00 to 12:00 pm - Fishing
12:10 to 12:30 pm (Approximate) - Lunch & Bass fishing seminar at the main pavilion
12:30 to 1:00 pm (Approximate) - Awards and prizes!!!

MOST IMPORTANTLY -- HAVE FUN!!!!!!!!!!!!