

OFFICIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS



2016 - 2017
Native Watercraft Kayak Series

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1. Note: Interpretation and enforcement of these rules shall be left exclusively to the Tournament Director or his/her designee at a tournament. In the event of a rule violation, the Tournament Director or a rules committee may impose such sanctions as deemed appropriate by them, including without limitation, disqualification, forfeiture of prizes, entry fee and prohibition from participation in subsequent tournaments.

2. Penalties for rules violations may include the following:

- Reduction of competition hours as determined by the Tournament Director
- Loss of one or more fish in question. All such fish must be marked verified by either your partner/observer/camera operator. If not verified the entire catch may be disqualified.
- Loss of catch for the day of the violation
- Disqualification from the tournament in question
- Disqualification from future B.A.S.S. Australia Nation events, which may be from a specific number of events, a specific period of time, or may be a lifetime disqualification.
- Any different or additional penalties determined by the Tournament Director.

3. Entry Fees: B.A.S.S. Pro - Co-anglers (Pro/Am Events)

\$295 (GST included) – Pro's

\$165 (GST included) – Co-Angler (Non-kayaker)

3.1 Entry Fees: B.A.S.S. Teams Events

\$150 (GST included) – Per Team

3.2 Entry Fees: Kayak

\$165 (GST included) – Kayak Entry

3.3 Entry Fees: B.A.S.S. Juniors

\$20 (GST included) – Per Team

Prize Money is calculated before the start of each round and payouts will be made official before the day 1 official start.

4. PARTICIPANTS AND ELIGIBILITY:

- All anglers participating in B.A.S.S. Australia Nation events must be current full financial members of B.A.S.S. Australia Nation.
- B.A.S.S. Australia Nation Kayak events are contested by individuals, no share kayaking will be allowed. There are no shared weights, each fish caught is on an individual basis.
- Anglers must be 16 years of age or older at the time of the tournament. Proof of age to the satisfaction of tournament officials is the responsibility of potential competitor.
- Employees, officers and directors of B.A.S.S. Australia Nation or its parent, subsidiary, and affiliated companies and members of their immediate families (spouse, parents, children and sibling, regardless of where they live) are ineligible.
- Anglers should use the entry form found on www.bassaustralia.com.au website, or contact the office during business hours on 07 5491 5807.



- **A PROPERLY COMPLETED AND SIGNED OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM AND DISCLAIMER FORM MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE B.A.S.S. AUSTRALIA NATION DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE THE APPLICATION DEADLINE DATE. ENTRY DEADLINE DATE FOR EACH TOURNAMENT SHALL BE THE DAY BEFORE THE EVENT. RULES AND REGULATION BOOKLETS WILL BE SUPPLIED AT THE BRIEFING.**

The Tournament Director reserves the right to discontinue acceptance of applications prior to deadline and also the right to extend the acceptance date. As a participant in B.A.S.S. Australia Nation tournaments, you agree, if you qualify and are invited to be a competitor in the B.A.S.S. Federation Nation Championship, B.A.S.S. Open Event, or the Bassmaster Classic conducted by B.A.S.S. in the U.S.A., to use during the B.A.S.S. Federation Nation Championship, or the Bassmaster Classic competition any and all official products and equipment so specified and provided by B.A.S.S. and B.A.S.S. Australia Nation unless otherwise organised with B.A.S.S. Australia Nation.

5. ANGLER CODE OF CONDUCT:

Anglers participating in any B.A.S.S. Australia Nation sanctioned event shall observe this code of conduct and the applicable rules for the specific event in which they are participating. Anglers shall, at all times, conduct themselves in a manner becoming of professional anglers that will not reflect unfavourably on B.A.S.S., B.A.S.S. Australia Nation, its members, officers or representatives, tournaments or sponsors.

To this end, anglers shall use their best efforts to demonstrate professionalism and integrity in support of the sport of professional fishing. Any angler who violates any of the provisions of the Angler Code of Conduct may be subject to forfeiture of tournament winnings, suspension from competing in individual B.A.S.S. Australia Nation sanctioned events, permanent ban from competition, or any combination thereof deemed appropriate by B.A.S.S. Australia Nation.

6. MEDIA COMMENTS, PUBLIC ATTACKS:

The favourable public reputation of B.A.S.S. Australia Nation as a sanctioning organization in the sport of fishing, the integrity of its officials, and the reputation of its media properties are valuable assets and tangible benefits for B.A.S.S., and B.A.S.S. Australia Nation. Accordingly, it is an obligation of competitors to refrain from comments to the news media that unreasonably attack or disparage the integrity of tournaments, tournament officials, sponsors, fellow members, fellow anglers or the B.A.S.S. organization. Competitors are encouraged to express themselves and have the right to question the rules with officials. Responsible expressions of legitimate disagreement with B.A.S.S. and B.A.S.S. Australia Nation, policies are encouraged as opposed to attacks upon the integrity of the rules or officials. However, public comments that an angler knows, or should reasonably know, will harm the reputation of B.A.S.S., B.A.S.S., B.A.S.S. Australia Nation officials or sponsors shall be considered conduct unbecoming a professional and will result in disciplinary action.

7. PRACTICE AND COMPETITION:

- There will be no off-limits period for any tournament unless specified by the Tournament Director. Special off limits and practice periods for the Bassmaster Classic, B.A.S.S. Federation Nation Championship and B.A.S.S. Australia Nation Pty Ltd tournaments will be announced by B.A.S.S. and B.A.S.S. Australia Nation. Generally there will only be a closed time between midnight Friday night the week before the tournament until sunrise on official practice day before the tournament.
- There will be one official practice day immediately prior to the first day of competition that will begin at sunrise the Friday prior to the start of competition. Unless otherwise specified, all official times are time zone specific to the local host community. The competitor must know and observe these dates. Pre-fish ban (black out period - don't send anyone out to pre-fish during this period and don't hire anyone to show you locations like a fishing guide, discussions about the lake with associates, family and friends is permitted).

- The starting position will be designated on the first session from the time the entry fee is paid (first in best dressed scenario), and session 2, 3, or 4 will be always setup as a chase start unless there is a field of over 75 kayaks. In the case of a field over 75 kayaks flight times will be allocated for day one and mirrored on day 2 where the last kayak will start first and the first kayak will start last. There is normally one session per day of fishing unless otherwise confirm by the administration.
- Anglers are not permitted on the tournament waters after the weigh-in unless they are testing kayak repairs with permission from the Tournament Director. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** It is expected that some reasonable time to launch and retrieve kayaks is given. During the official practice and during the tournament, a competitor may not "SKIN DIVE" or "SCUBA DIVE" in the tournament waters.
- No competitor may buy or barter a fishing location from any other competitor for use during any competition day.
- Kayak's must stay a minimum of 30 metres (1 cast) apart at all times while fishing.
- A designated tournament official must be granted access to the competitor's kayak at any time during the official practice or competition days. Failure to grant such access may result in immediate disqualification.
- Each competitor agrees to report to the Tournament Director immediately any violation or infraction of any Tournament Rules. Failure to report violations or suggestions to another competitor that they violate these Rules or false verification of weigh-in forms will be cause for disqualification. **OFFICIAL PROTESTS MUST BE FILED IN WRITING AND ALL PARTIES OF INTEREST WILL BE PROVIDED A COPY.**
- **By his/her signature on the official tournament entry form, each competitor agrees to submit to a truth verification test and abide by its conclusion should he/she be accused of any rule violation.** The B.A.S.S. Australia Nation Tournament Director, rules committee or such person designated by the Tournament Director shall have the discretion to determine the need for a truth verification test. The B.A.S.S. Australia Nation Tournament Director or his/her designee shall be responsible for selecting an independent expert to administer and interpret the results and establishing, in consultation with the expert administrator, the scope of the questions which may be asked during the test. The B.A.S.S. Australia Nation Tournament Director or his/her designee shall have sole responsibility selecting the location, date, and time of the test nearest B.A.S.S. Australia Nation headquarters with respect to all concerned parties schedule and travel cost. The competitor shall make himself/herself available at the location selected by the Tournament Director and shall cooperate in all respects with such test. Anglers taking a truth verification test may be responsible for any and all costs incurred. - Random truth verifications tests may be administered on site during the course of a B.A.S.S. Australia Nation Event.

8. REGISTRATION:

Each competitor must register in person with official B.A.S.S. Australia Nation staff at the time and place designated in the schedule of events. Any competitor, who has not contacted the B.A.S.S. Australia Nation Tournament Staff 15 minutes after the closing of the posted on-site registration period, may be disqualified from participating in the tournament. It shall be each competitor's responsibility to either check the schedule of events for registration time and location or obtain times from the B.A.S.S. Australia Nation Tournament Department. We will conduct a registration day previous to the 1st day of competition, that begins at approximately 10.30am and finishes at 4.30pm.

9. SAFETY:

- Safe kayak conduct must be observed at all times by competitors. During the official practice and competition, each competitor must wear a Australian Standards PFD type 1 (AS 4758) personal flotation devices. This preserver must be strapped, snapped or zippered securely, and maintained in that condition at all times of competition. Inflatable life vest indicators should be checked daily. Violation of this rule may be reason for disqualification.

- When kayaking in low visibility situations i.e., fog, heavy rain, during both practice and competition, competitors must operate their kayak's in a safe manner as determined by tournament officials.
- Tournament officials have the right to delay, shorten or cancel the start of an official tournament day because of bad weather or other factors that would endanger the safety of the competitors. Tournament waters may also be restricted at any time because of bad weather.
- B.A.S.S. Australia Nation reserves the right to impose restricted boundaries on any or all tournaments.

IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY SITUATION, COMPETITORS SHOULD CALL 000 FIRST AND ONCE SAFE THEN NOTIFY TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

- Competitors are allowed to leave the kayak and seek safe shelter in bad weather where danger may be imminent.
- All competitors are bound by the prevailing statutes and regulations of the various states within which they fish. Competitors are responsible for research of fishing, fishing licences and kayaking regulations.

10. SPORTSMANSHIP:

- Competitors in B.A.S.S. Australia Nation Tournaments are expected to follow high standards of sportsmanship, courtesy, safety and conservation. Any infraction of these fundamental sporting principles may be deemed cause for disqualification.
- Use of drugs (other than those purchased over the counter or prescribed by a licensed physician) by any competitor during the official practice or during the tournament will not be tolerated and shall be cause for automatic disqualification from this and all future B.A.S.S. tournaments. No nonprescription stimulants or depressants shall be allowed in the kayaks during the official practice or competition days. At all times alcohol should be consumed in moderate limits, and under standard legislation no person should be operating a vessel or vehicle over the permitted legal limit.
- Maximum courtesy must be practiced at all times, especially with regard to kayaking and angling in the vicinity of noncompetitors who may be on tournament waters. Any act of a competitor which reflects unfavourably upon efforts to promote fisheries conservation, clean waters, and courtesy shall be reason for disqualification.
- Chemical-substance addiction or abuse, conviction of a serious crime or other crimes involving moral turpitude, or other conduct reflecting unfavourably upon efforts to promote safety, sportsmanship, fair competition and compliance with tournament rules shall be grounds for rejecting any application for participation and/or for disqualification after circumstances are reviewed by the Tournament Director. Any disqualification, suspension from, or other disciplinary action regarding any tournament or fishing organization, shall be grounds for rejecting any application for participation in a B.A.S.S. Australia Nation tournament and/or for disqualification from a B.A.S.S. Australia Nation tournament after circumstances are reviewed by the Tournament Director.

11. TACKLE, EQUIPMENT AND TECHNIQUE:

The use of landing nets for landing bass is permitted during tournament competition. Only artificial lures and biodegradable artificial lures may be used. No "live bait" or "prepared bait" will be permitted during official practice and competition. Only **ONE** fly rod (any length), casting, spin-casting or spinning rod and reel may be used at any one time, and each tournament is a cast and retrieve only tournament. A hung lure that is not in or on the water is not considered in use and may be set aside while another is in use. Other rigs as specified above may be in kayak ready for use; however, only ONE is permitted in use at any given time. All bass must be caught live and in a conventional sporting manner. If a competitor breaks



his line while setting the hook or retrieving a fish, he is allowed to make an attempt with the rod being used or by hand to secure the line and land the fish to be counted as legal. He may NOT hook the line with another lure, rod and reel, or other device. If a competitor loses his rod and reel while landing a bass he MAY use another rod and reel to retrieve the lost outfit. If that rod and reel is verified to be the lost outfit that bass may be landed and counted as a legal fish. Competitors are allowed to share baits and tackle at all times including competitors who have been cut from competition. NSW regulations within impoundment waters only allows the rigging of 2 rods per competitor per kayak. You can have as many rods on the deck as you need as long as they don't have a hook attached to them. Each lure is considered to be a single hook as long as it is determined the lure is only for catching a single fish. In the case of a umbrella rig (Multi Rig/ aka Alabama Rig) there is only one hook permitted per system in Queensland and 3 hooks permitted in N.S.W.. You can have unlimited teasers, but there can only be one hook placement per umbrella system in the state of Queensland and 3 hooks in the umbrella system in New South Wales. No underwater camera's can be used during fishing at all.

14. BASIC KAYAK EQUIPMENT:

During official practice and competition, every kayak must have all legally required safety equipment as specified in each state of competition. During official competition, every kayak must have live-well space, properly aerated, to adequately maintain a live limit catch of Australian Bass by both competitors using the kayak. B.A.S.S. Australia Nation recommends live-wells be maintained at full level and aerators/re-circulators on manual. Tournament officials shall have the sole responsibility for determining whether aeration and capacity is proper and adequate. -

For more information see Fish Care Booklet on www.bassaustralia.com

15. KAYAK IDENTIFICATION:

Prior to each day's start, each kayak must be given an inspection check by a tournament official. Each day, each kayak may be given a number, which must remain with the kayak. This number must be displayed upon the request of tournament officials, and at each check-in.

17. PERMITTED FISHING LOCATIONS:

Tournament waters shall be established by the Tournament Director for each tournament. Each competitor must obtain this information from B.A.S.S. Australia Nation website or office. Any water within these boundaries posted "Off-Limits" or "No Fishing" by state or federal agencies as well as the live-B.A.S.S. Australia Nation release area established by the Tournament Director will be OFF-LIMITS and will be announced at the Tournament Briefing. Only that water open to ALL public fishing will be considered tournament waters. All angling must be done from the kayak. Competitors wishing to change fish habitat by placing any object in the tournament waters may do so if such action does not violate government regulations. Prior to the tournament registration, any questionable areas must be brought to the attention of tournament officials to be considered tournament waters and may be announced in the briefing for all to hear unless determined otherwise by tournament officials. Tournament officials reserve the right to restrict or enhance tournament waters based on conversations with local authorities.

18. COMPETITORS MUST REMAIN IN KAYAK:

During the competition days, competitors must not depart the kayak to land fish. Kayaks must remain in tournament waters during tournament days. Competitors must leave from and return to official checkpoints by kayak. Competitors must remain in kayak at all times except in case of dire emergency or with permission from the Tournament Director. In such an emergency, or with permission from the Tournament Director, competitors may be removed from their kayak to either a kayak operated by other competitors or a rescue boat designated by the Tournament Director. In the event of a needed rest room break, contestants are allowed to leave the kayak, at which time all fishing must cease. If a competitor violates any of the above conditions, (to contact a tournament official by phone or other means or to report an emergency or breakdown), competitors must cease fishing at this point, and the catch must be verified by a tournament official in order to be counted in the tournament. If, after the emergency situation is resolved by tournament officials, and enough time is left for the competitors to resume

fishing, a RESTART will be allowed, the competitors will continue and their catch will be counted. This applies only to dire emergency situations as determined by the Tournament Director or his/her designee. Towing kayaks on trailers during tournament hours is prohibited, except by the direction of tournament officials. Competitors are allowed to leave the kayak to retrieve a lure. All fishing by that competitor must cease until back in the kayak before making another cast.

19. OFFICIAL CHECKPOINTS:

There shall be only one official check point for check-out in the morning, and one official check-in point in the afternoon, which points shall be designated at the tournament briefing. Failure to go through kayak check and check-out in the morning or failure to check-in at the check-in point in the afternoon may result in disqualification. At the time of check-out, all competitors and their kayaks shall be in full conformity with all rules set forth by the Tournament Director. At check-in, all kayaks shall identify themselves by means of a number and proceed immediately to the designated weigh-in area.

20. SCORING:

Tournament standings, contingency awards and final winners shall be determined by the kilogram and gram weight of each competitor's catch during the competition days of the tournament. Only Australian bass will be weighed (& estuary perch). The limit shall be 2 fish per day, unless otherwise specified by tournament officials. (Example – hot weather/fish care concerns) At no time shall a competitor have in his or her possession more than the tournament limit. If a competitor determines they have over the limit they must immediately reduce his catch to the tournament limit with a live bass of their choice from their catch. Each returned bass will result in a 1 kilogram penalty to be deducted from their daily score. In this case, competitors must attempt to notify tournament officials and if unsuccessful must notify officials at check in. Once a competitor checks in they must present all legal bass to tournament officials at the verification table. If competitors at the verification table have more than the tournament limit, the competitor will reduce with live bass to the tournament limit and each returned bass will result in a 1 kilogram penalty to be deducted from their daily score. The official length for bass shall be determined by the Tournament Director and announced at the Tournament Briefing. In most cases it will be the longest state limit covering the tournament waters. Only bass as described above which measure the official length or more on the longest straight line, shall be weighed. Bass presented for weigh-in, which fail to measure the official length, shall result in a penalty of 250 grams for each such bass, which penalty shall be deducted from the total score of the competitor. Any bass that appears to have been mangled, mashed, mauled or otherwise altered will be weighed and credited only at the discretion of tournament officials. After competitors check in at the official checkpoint they MUST present all LEGAL fish in their possession to a tournament official to be counted, measured and weighed. Once a competitor's catch is measured, counted and verified by a tournament official, that competitor may not return to the kayak until their catch has been weighed and recorded. Bass must not be strung at any time during the tournament. Culling tags or clips are allowed. Specially designed bags which increase survival rate will be furnished by the Tournament Director and must be used for the weigh-in.

21. FISH CARE, CATCH AND RELEASE: CULLING OF DEAD BASS IS PROHIBITED:

- For more information see Fish Care Booklet on www.bassaustralia.com

A live well that can keep 2 large bass alive for a 5 hour period must be in the kayak. For each legal dead bass presented to weigh-in officials, the competitor shall be penalized 250 grams. Dead fish can't be culled during tournament hours and must be kept for weigh-in. The Tournament Director or his designees shall have sole authority for accessing penalty points. In addition, the Tournament Director, or his/her designees, may reduce tournament hours or tournament limits for fish care purposes. It is suggested in warm weather tournaments anglers keep extra ice for fish care. SMALL DIP NETS FOR CULLING PURPOSES ARE ENCOURAGED.



22. LATE PENALTY:

Competitors who are not at the official check-in point at the appointed time, shall be penalized at the rate of 250 grams per minute late to be deducted from the total weight of his/her catch that day, including any weight to be counted toward a "big bass award". Any competitor more than 5 minutes late shall lose the entire sessions bag and take a penalty of 1,250 grams. There shall be no excuse for tardiness and in no case shall a competitor be allowed to make up "lost time." After proper recognition at the check-in point, competitors will be allowed ample time to proceed to the weigh-in site; however, all fishing must cease upon check-in. After the tournament begins, fishing the tournament waters is prohibited except during the tournament hours. Exact starting and check-in times will be announced at the tournament briefing. It is each angler's responsibility to confirm check-in times each day on the daily pairings.

23. TIES:

At any B.A.S.S. Australia Nation Tournament and/or series (AOY,.), in case of a tie for first place that is not resolved by the following four (4) tie breakers, there will be a sudden-death fish-off between the tied competitors, under the direction and special rules established by tournament officials in the championship only. All other standard round winners will share in the total pool divided evenly for the placings.

All other team or individual ties, the following tie breakers will be used in the following order: (1) largest number of legal fish weighed during competition; (2) if the tie is not broken, the next tiebreaker will be the largest number of legal live fish weighed during competition; (3) if the tie is not broken, the next tiebreaker will be the heaviest single day catch during competition; (4) if the tie is not broken, the next tiebreaker will be the second heaviest single day catch during competition. If the tie is not broken by applying the foregoing procedures, the tie will remain a tie, and monetary prizes will be awarded in an equal amount between the tied teams or individuals. In the instance where merchandise is involved, prizes will be awarded as determined by tournament officials.

26. RULES VIOLATIONS AND APPEALS COMMITTEE:

An appeals committee will be established by B.A.S.S. Australia Nation which shall be comprised of one B.A.S.S. Australia Nation employee not affiliated with the Tournament Department, and two anglers who are not competitors in the event in question. Appeals for penalties assessed under PENALTIES, must be presented in writing 48 hours from the time and date of ruling to the Tournament Director. Appeals hearings shall take place within seven (7) business days from the date of receipt of the written appeal and all parties must make themselves available at prescribed time of hearing. If competitors admit to a rules violation, they may not file an appeal of either the finding that they have violated the rules or the penalty imposed for the violation. Decisions of the appeals committee shall be final.

Competitors are allowed to compete under appeal however penalties assessed under PENALTIES will remain until final ruling by Appeals Committee.

Appeals of non-competition rulings must be presented in writing to the Tournament Director within 48 hours from the time and date of ruling for review.

27. PATCHES AND/OR SIGNAGE:

Anglers are encouraged to wear their own clothing which may bear patches, logos and other signage promoting the angler's sponsors. B.A.S.S. Australia Nation may, however, restrict the use of patches, logos, signage, etc, that promote or advertise products which are, in B.A.S.S. Australia Nation sole judgment, in poor taste. B.A.S.S. Australia Nation will provide as much advance notice as possible to the competitors in such instances. By signing this document, each competitor agrees to wear an official B.A.S.S. Australia Nation clothing if qualified and invited to the B.A.S.S. Divisional/National/Classic tournaments. At all times agreements will be made to suit anglers sponsors to work in with the B.A.S.S. Australia Nations Sponsors. (Individual shirts will be made for successful anglers to wear internationally)



28. WAIVER AND RELEASE:

As a condition of participation in each tournament, each competitor must execute a waiver and release of liability and a name and likeness release. The waiver is found on the next page.

I have read and fully understand all points with in the entire document and will abide by the official rules and regulations of the B.A.S.S. Australia Nation Pty Ltd tournament. - To authorise this agreement sign on the back page.



PARTICIPANT'S AGREEMENT *

(*You Must SIGN as recognition you have read and understood this waiver)

WARNING: THIS IS A LEGAL DOCUMENT AND A CONTRACT WHICH AFFECTS YOUR RIGHTS

I agree to participate at the 2016 B.A.S.S. Australia Nation Tournament Fishing Series, or events, in which I am entering, on the following basis:

1. By participating I accept all risks necessarily from my participation which would result in loss of life or permanent injury.
 - Accordingly I release all people associated with the conduct of events from and will indemnify them against all liability (including liability for their negligence) for all injury, loss or damage arising out of or connected with my participation in events.
 - For clarification, the people released include event organisers, promoters, sponsors, managers, B.A.S.S. Australia Nation Pty Ltd, and all of their respective directors, officers, employees, agent, contractors and volunteers including event medical and paramedical personnel. This release and indemnity continues forever and binds my heirs, executors, personal representatives and assigns. These terms do not operate to exclude any provision of the Australian Consumer Law that applies and cannot be excluded by agreement.
2. I acknowledge that such events involve the real risk of injury or risk of death from various causes, including over-exertion, equipment failure, drowning, dehydration, accidents with other competitors, spectators and water users, and weather conditions, just to name a few.
3. I understand that I should not participate in events unless I have prepared appropriately and my physical condition has been verified by a medical practitioner, who has not advised me otherwise.
4. I warrant that I will inspect the event arena and all fixtures, fittings, equipment, goods, apparatus or other things supplied, provided or used in or related to the conduct of the Event ('Event Staging Area') and agree that I will not participate in the Event unless I am completely satisfied with the adequacy and condition of the Event Staging Area.
5. I understand that the information I have provided herein will be included in a B.A.S.S. Australia Nation database.
 - I also understand that information of a biographical nature including my name, date of birth, home state, results career highlights and interests may be released to the media in response to general requests.
6. I understand that compulsory insurance cover affected for participants in events and training does not cover me for all injury, loss or damage sustained by me, e.g. Heart failure, muscle fatigue and kayak accidents.
7. The sanctioning process undertaken by B.A.S.S. Australia Nation and safety precautions undertaken by event organisers (such as weather supervision, tournament safety briefings, kayak safety checks) are a service to me and other competitors but are not a guarantee of safety.
8. I agree to abide by all the Rules of B.A.S.S. Australia Nation which relate, in part, to safe and fair sporting practice.
9. I agree to abide by the B.A.S.S. Australia Nation Rules and Regulations found on the B.A.S.S. Australia Nation website and I agree that I will abide by the rules and conditions of the Event, including those instruction in any literature or verbal or written form.
10. I hereby agree that in the event of a tournament cancellation due to storm, rain, inclement weather, winds or other 'Act of God' conditions, my entry fee shall be nonrefundable in part or full.
13. I acknowledge that my entry fee is nonrefundable under the statutes of the B.A.S.S. Australia Nation Withdrawal Policy and that should I wish to withdraw from the tournament, an admin fee will be charged. I have made myself familiar with the B.A.S.S. Australia Nation Withdrawal policy.
14. I confirm that I am in good standing with B.A.S.S. Australia Nation and I am a full member.
15. *I certify that I am 18 years of age or older, or that I am the parent/guardian of the athlete competing and I have read this document and fully understand it.
16. I hereby consent and authorize B.A.S.S. Australia Nation Pty Ltd to take photographs or motion pictures of me; or to produce videotapes, audiotapes, closed circuit television programs, web casts, or other types of media productions that capture my name, voice, and/or image (any of the foregoing types of media are called the "Materials" in this Consent and Release form).
 - I authorize B.A.S.S. Australia Nation Pty Ltd to copyright the Materials, and I authorize B.A.S.S. Australia Nation Pty Ltd to use, reuse, copy, publish, display, exhibit, reproduce, license to third party, and distribute the Materials in any educational or promotional materials or other forms of media, which may include, but are not limited to catalogs, articles, magazines, sales brochures, websites or publications, electronic or otherwise, without notifying me.
 - I also agree that B.A.S.S. Australia Nation Pty Ltd may identify me by name, and such other identifying information. **(If the person does not wish to be identified by name, etc., please have them cross through this sentence, and initial year.)** _____
 - I agree that I am participating on a voluntary basis and I will not receive any payment from B.A.S.S. Australia Nation Pty Ltd for signing this release or as a result of any publication of the Materials.

*NOTE: If you are under 18 years of age, your parent or guardian must sign the agreement with the contents of this Waiver. 16 years old is the minimum age for the Pro/Am, Teams and BARRA Events.

Name of Participant: _____

Participant's Sign: _____

Date: _____

Name of Guardian/Partner: _____

Guardian's/Partner's Sign: _____

Date: _____

Name of Witness: _____

Witness's Sign: _____

Date: _____