

35th Sturgeon Bay Open Bass

Tournament FACT SHEET



Sturgeon Bay, WI – Sturgeon Bay

May 16-17, 2025

Tournament Hotline: (580)716-4291

TEAM EVENT - Presented by:



| <u>Registration/Rules Meeting</u> | <u>Launch/Weigh-In</u> | <u>Required Safety Equipment</u> |
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| <p><u>Location:</u> Sawyer Park 5 Neenah Ave Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235</p> <p>Date: Thursday, May 15, 2025</p> <p><u>Registration Times:</u> 4:00 p.m. – Registration Opens 5:45p.m. – Registration Closes. 6:00 p.m. – Mandatory rules briefing begins. At least one (1) team member MUST attend. Important info about the weigh in process will be given</p> <p>All anglers must be off the water by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the rules meeting.</p> | <p><u>Location:</u> Sawyer Park 5 Neenah Ave Sturgeon Bay, WI. 54235</p> <p>Take-off will begin at 6:00 a.m. or first safe light.</p> <p>Weigh in will begin at 3:00 p.m.</p> <p>Flight time will be announced at the Thursday night mandatory meeting.</p> | <p>It is the responsibility of all anglers to have required state and federal safety equipment on board.</p> <p>At time of inspection each morning, be prepared to display 1 life jacket for each angler; 1 throwable PFD; and, demonstrate functioning kill switch.</p> <p>Inspection will be held during lineup for takeoff. Live wells must be empty.</p> <p>Keep marine band radios on Channel 72 for tournament information and use Channel 16 for emergencies.</p> |
| <p><u>Fish Limits</u></p> <p>Largemouth & smallmouth Bass 14 inches and over.</p> <p>Teams are allowed to weigh a limit of five (5) fish per team.</p> <p>CULLING is allowed ONLY during tournament hours and OUTSIDE of the Marina/weigh-in area. Additionally, culling of a DEAD bass is PROHIBITED.</p> <p>Alabama Rigs and other similar type Rigs are NOT allowed.</p> <p>Any fish presented for weigh-in which fails to measure the official length limits shall accrue penalties at the rate of one (1) pound for each non-legal fish plus loss of the fish.</p> <p>An 8-ounce deduction will be made for each fish presented to the bump master for weighing that is determined to be non-releasable.</p> | <p>Sturgeon Bay Open Bass Tournament</p> <p><u>Host Hotel</u></p> <p>Beach Harbor Resort 3662 N. Duluth Ave Sturgeon Bay, WI. 54235 920-743-3191</p> <p>Email Website</p>  | <p><u>Boundaries</u></p> <p>Fishing will be restricted to within 5 miles of the Door County shoreline with the southern boundary being a line running from Brown County line (N44°40'39.6510", W-87°59'5004") to the Kewaunee County line (N44°40'36.8898", W- 87°44'8026") and the boundary being Gills Rock (N45°17'38.9724", W-87°1'23.0376") again, maintaining the 5-mile limit. Waters within 1.5 miles of Chambers Island may be fished. No fishing permitted east of buoys #5 & #6 at the US Coast Guard Station located toward Lake Michigan from Sturgeon Bay. There will be no fishing allowed in Lake Michigan. Any waters within these boundaries posted "off limits" or "no fishing" by state or federal agencies will be off limit. Any live release areas established by the Tournament Director will be off limits. That as well as any additional off limits will be announced at the pre-tournament briefing. Only that water open to all public fishing will be considered tournament waters. Any waters closed to public fishing will be closed to public will be closed to this tournament's contestants. All local, state and federal regulations apply.</p> |
| <p>Raffle/Auction! Make sure to plan for the Sturgeon Bay Open foundation's fund-raising auction to support the SBO Bass Tournament foundation charities. A portion of each entry will also go toward this non-profit's local area youth and conservation activities.</p> <p>DON'T forget to sign up for Ranger Cup! Thousands are on the line this year for top Ranger boat owners. Ranger Cup Tournament Rewards Program</p> |  <p>Please read the 2025 Official NABC TEAM Tournament Rules that govern this event!</p> <p>Stay up-to-date on the latest news! Sign up for the FREE e-newsletter at: northamericanbasschallenge.com</p> | |