# **2024** Bassmaster College Series Guidelines

#### **General Information**

- Entry Fee is \$100
- Entry fee is non-refundable/non-transferable once a team is accepted into a tournament
- Off-limits will begin 7 days prior to the first day of official practice per event. During this time, you are not allowed on tournament waters. This is applicable to anglers accepted in the tournament as well as the anglers on the waiting list
- Partner changes are due 3 weeks prior to first day of competition, no partner changes after, if someone cannot fish within 3 weeks of the tournament then their partner fishes alone
- If a team is on the wait list, they can cancel at any time and receive a full refund of their entry fee.
- Any team not accepted into a tournament off the waiting list will be canceled the week of the tournament after registration and will be refunded.
- If an angler registers as a single entry, they cannot add a partner at any time during the remainder of the season.
- All refunds will be paid back to the card used for the entry unless B.A.S.S. is notified that the card has been canceled/expired, and then a refund check will be processed.
- Full field for each tournament is 250 teams
- All cancellations, refund requests and waiting list cancellations must be submitted via email to <a href="mailto:college@bassmaster.com">college@bassmaster.com</a>

#### Registration

Group	Registration Starts	
Early Entry Codes	Tuesday, October 10, 2023 – 3:00 pm CST	
Legends Trail	Tuesday, October 17, 2023 – 3:00 pm CST	
Lunkers Trail	Tuesday, October 31, 2023 – 3:00 pm CST	

- Early entry codes will be given for the 2024 season to each of the following:
  - The 2023 Team of the Year
  - The 2023 College Championship Champions
  - o Each college that participated in the 2023 High School Combine (1 code each)
  - The 2023 college bracket participants
- Each group that receives a code per the guidelines above will receive one early entry code per team.
- Early Entry registration is Tuesday, October 10 3:00 pm Tuesday, October 17 at 2:59 pm. If an angler does not use their early entry code during this period, they can register when it opens to everyone else and their entry will be based on their registration timestamp.
- Having an early entry code does not guarantee registration, it just gives them the first opportunity to register.
- All anglers must have an active B.A.S.S. membership and B.A.S.S. Nation membership. Make sure your memberships are current prior to registration.
- How the registration will work for 2024 entries:
  - All entries will be based on timestamp
  - Each school will initially be allowed 10 teams per trail. Any teams after the first 10 based on timestamp will be placed on the waiting list in timestamp order.
  - o The field size of 250 teams will be filled based on the timestamp with any schools in excess of 10 teams going on the wait list.
  - o If a team from the field drops out their spot will be filled by working down the waiting list (all on timestamp order). If the team that drops out is one of 10 teams from a school the spot will still be filled on the timestamped wait list, it will not go to the next team from that school on the wait list.
- Legends Trail will open on 10/17/2023. All Legends Trail registrants will be notified of their tournament status prior to registration for the Lunkers Trail opening. Lunkers Trail will open on 10/31/2023.
- Waiting List refunds will be processed after all of the registrations have opened.

#### Waivers & Tax Paperwork

- Each angler must complete a waiver and W9 (or other applicable tax paperwork) prior to practice
- The waiver and W9 are combined document to be completed through our online e-signature company.
- The waiver/tax document only needs to be completed once per season.

#### **Individual Team of the Year Races**

- Anglers must fish each tournament together for their points to count towards Team of the Year standings in their respective trail(s).
- B.A.S.S. does not work down tournament standings for Team of the Year for the Championship qualifications.
- Overall Team of the Year will be awarded at the National Championship.

## **2024 College Championship Qualifications**

- Top 10% from each tournament qualify for championship.
- Top 20 teams from the Team of the Year Races qualify. No work downs.
- Each state nation that runs a college state championship get one berth.

# **2024 College Bracket Qualifications**

- Each Team of the Year race champion
  - o Lunkers Trail
  - Legends Trail
  - Overall Team of the Year
- 2024 National Champions
- Should any of the above be a duplication B.A.S.S. will work down the Overall Team of the Year points to get to 4 teams.

## **2024 Deadline Dates**

Tournament	Registration Deadline	Partner Change Deadline
Legends – Lake Murray	December 27, 2023	January 5, 2024
Legends – Kentucky Lake	March 18, 2024	March 27, 2024
Legends – Saginaw Bay	May 7, 2024	May 16, 2024
Lunkers – Clarks Hill Reservoir	January 2, 2024	January 2, 2024
Lunkers – D <mark>ougla</mark> s Lake	February 6, 2024	February 15, 2024
Lunkers – Sam Rayburn Reservoir	April 16, 2024	April 25, 2024

