



**2019 Kansas Bass Nation High School Team
Trail Supplemental Rules and Notifications
Effective**

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The following rules shall apply to all Kansas Bass Nation High School Team tournaments and is meant to be used in conjunction with B.A.S.S. Official High School Rules.

1. PARTICIPANTS AND ELIGIBILITY Supplement:

(iv) Participation in the Kansas High School Team Trail tournaments is open to all B.A.S.S. High School Nation Affiliated teams, with the exception of the Kansas High School State Championship. See # 25 below.

2. ANGLER CODE OF CONDUCT:

A: Any angler subject to disciplinary action by their affiliated club may not compete for another club, or in a Kansas event until the length of the disciplinary term is up.

Appeals to this rule may be submitted in writing to the Kansas BASS Nation Youth Director within 7 days of notification of disciplinary action at which time a review committee will be formed.

3. PRACTICE AND COMPETITION Supplement:

(vii) We will be following all Official B.A.S.S. Coaching Rules with the exception that if a team is comprised of competitors who have never ran a trolling motor before then the coach may run the trolling motor in a teaching capacity. **If a team is going to do this they must announce it at the registration meeting prior to the start of the event.** This team will be eligible to qualify for the state championship if they meet the other qualifications, but they **will not** be eligible for the possible National Championship spot through the team trail if they utilize this rule. It is expected that if you are competing in the state tournament you have learned to run the trolling motor. You will not be able to exercise this rule at state.

5. SAFETY Supplement:

(viii) Competitors must wear their life jackets at **all** times during competition hours regardless of age and state regulations.

12. BOAT OPERATION AND EXPENSE Supplement: It is expected that all student competitors cover all necessary competition costs for their boat captain including, but not limited to gas, hotel and toll expenses.

15. Scoring: Fish are to be measured by fanning the tail only. You are not allowed to pinch the tail in order to meet the necessary length limit for each lake or tournament. The Tournament Director and his appointed staff have final say on whether the fish meets the necessary length requirement. If there are questions at the bump tank you may request the tournament director to come over for a ruling. This must be done right away as fish are returned immediately after weigh-in and the fish must be weighed in as a total sack. Individual fish are not allowed to be added back in.

16. SCORING Supplement: (ii) Overall team tournament trail winner will be defined as the team who has the most cumulative points over all 4 team trail events. Only those teams fishing all 4 events are considered for the team trail title (Must be present on cancellations). In the event of a tie the tiebreaker in the official B.A.S.S. rules will be applied. Tournament Director may utilize his option of inviting all tied teams to compete.

We **must** have 25 teams compete before we will be allowed to send the winner of the team trail to the National Championship Tournament.

25. High School Championship Event: (i) Participation in the Kansas High School State Championship tournament is open only to those Kansas Bass Nation Affiliated High School Club Teams. You **must** be a **Kansas resident** to be eligible for the HS State Championship. This does **not** apply to the team trail. **(ii)** Qualifying for the championship is done through the team trail tournaments and is done on a points system. See #26 below.

The top two teams go on to the National Championship.

26. High School Championship Qualification Scoring: (i) If less than eight teams for Kansas Nation affiliated clubs participate all teams are in the state championship. **(ii)** If more than eight Kansas Nation Affiliated teams compete: a points system is used: For each

1st place 100 pts

2nd place 98 pts

3rd place 96 pts

Etc...

If you compete in the event and do not weigh a fish, you get the points for the play right after the last team that caught as fish minus 10 points. (I.E. if a team finished in 6th place with one fish they would receive 90 points. Every team that did not catch a fish would get 7th place points minus 10 points or 78 points)

We score only the best **two** events. We will be inviting teams to the State

Championship based on an average participation total. Eight teams guaranteed for the first 20 teams then one team every 5 more. So if we have 26 teams average we will invite 9 teams, 30 is 10 invitations and so on. Ties for the final place we will use the following tie breaker. (1) The team that competed in all 4 team trail events. (2) The team with the most five fish limits. (3) The team with the biggest fish weighed. (4) The team with the most fish weighed over the three scored events. (5) Coin Flip.

The director has discretion to invite others in the event of double qualifications.

As you can see, we are dropping two events for qualifying. This is being done so new teams added over the winter have a shot at qualifying and advancing.

Youth Team Trail will follow the same supplemental rules as well. So, where you see High School please replace with youth.

New rule for 2019 – 2020 season. If a high school tournament is canceled or postponed the automatic reschedule date is the next day on Sunday. If it can't be fished then, due to weather, it will not be made up. If a team can't fish on the Sunday, they have two options:

- 1) Get a refund for no points towards team trail AOY.
- 2) Donate their entry fee for last place points.

Youth - if an event is cancelled on the scheduled Sunday it will not be made up.

All rule determinations are at the tournament directors discretion.