

# KBN JUNIOR TEAM TRAIL

**Bassmaster Junior Series Rules are to be followed at all events. This can be found at:**

**<https://www.bassmaster.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/2024-Junior-Minor-Waiver-and-Rules-Agreement-1.pdf>**

## **2024-2025 TOURNAMENT FORMAT AND REQUIREMENTS**

The KANSAS B.A.S.S. Nation (hereinafter referred to as “KBN”) presents the KBN Junior (JR) Tournament Series, which is a Team versus Team format.

### **MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS AND DUES**

Anglers participating in the KBNJR Tournament Series will be required to be a member of an affiliated Junior club. If a Junior club does not exist in your area, then anglers may join/start a Junior club (requires at least two (2) members).

Clubs are responsible for collecting the annual membership dues for B.A.S.S., which amounts to \$30.00 and their club dues. The Kansas State Bass dues will be collected through the Fishing Chaos App.

B.A.S.S. Nation National Dues                      \$30.00

Kansas B.A.S.S. Nation State Dues              \$20.00

Every angler is required to pay the annual B.A.S.S. Nation National and KBN State dues as well as any dues associated with their club. Club fees may vary and may be collected in addition to the annual membership dues above. Every angler must be in good standings with their club, KBN, and B.A.S.S. Nation to compete in the KBNJR Tournament Series.

KBN State dues can be paid online via Fishing Chaos under the KBN Youth Banner. KBN will only accept the State dues from a club advisor/faculty member on the day of the tournament.

Checks shall be made payable to the KANSAS B.A.S.S. Nation Youth. **No dues will be collected by the KBN on an individual basis from the anglers or parents. The B.A.S.S. Nation National dues can be paid online by club/faculty adviser member at B.A.S.S. Nation (bassmaster.com).**

**ALL DUES MUST BE PAID PRIOR TO THE ANGLER FISHING THEIR FIRST EVENT OF THE SEASON.**

## TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION

Upon registering and paying for an event, tournament anglers and boat captains agree they have read all tournament rules and understand to its entirety.

All registration will be on Fishing Chaos thru Kansas Bass Youth Trail.

The entry fees for all KBN High School Tournaments will be \$40.00 per team. **Teams have until Thursday at 11:59 pm CST, prior to each event, to register. No entries will be accepted after Thursday at 11:59 pm CST prior to each event.** No registrations will be accepted the morning of the event. NO EXCEPTIONS.

## INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

All boat captains operating a boat on tournament waters during the actual competition days of an KBNJR Tournament must submit a current copy of their boat insurance policy as proof of insurance to the Tournament Officials. The policy must contain coverage of at least \$300,000 combined limited liability boating insurance, specifically name the boater as an “insured user” and have the expiration date printed on the policy. If entering more than one tournament, a copy of the valid insurance policy must be on file with the KBN. Tournament officials at any time may randomly request a copy of a boater’s insurance policy during the tournament. Failure to produce an active policy could result in a loss of that day’s weight.

## TOURNAMENT FORMAT

The KBNJR Tournament Series will include Eight (8) tournament days during the school year. There will be a minimum of 4 tournament days in the Fall and Spring. **You must fish two events to qualify for the State Championship Tournament.** You can fish up to 4 tournament days for the year.

## POINTS SYSTEM

The following points system will be used to determine the Juniors Statewide Teams of the Year and qualifying for State Championship. The points system will start with the first- place finisher in each tournament receiving 100 -points and will reduce in increments of 2-point through the 6th place finisher. Then 7<sup>th</sup> place down will reduce in increments of 1-point. The table below lists the points a team can expect to receive in the place they finish. A team must fish on the tournament day to receive points.

1 <sup>st</sup> place 100 points	13 <sup>th</sup> place 83 points	25 <sup>th</sup> place 71 points	37 <sup>th</sup> place 59 points
2 <sup>nd</sup> place 98 points	14 <sup>th</sup> place 82 points	26 <sup>th</sup> place 70 points	38 <sup>th</sup> place 58 points
3 <sup>rd</sup> place 96 points	15 <sup>th</sup> place 81 points	27 <sup>th</sup> place 69 points	39 <sup>th</sup> place 57 points
4 <sup>th</sup> place 94 points	16 <sup>th</sup> place 80 points	28 <sup>th</sup> place 68 points	40 <sup>th</sup> place 56 points
5 <sup>th</sup> place 92 points	17 <sup>th</sup> place 79 points	29 <sup>th</sup> place 67 points	41 <sup>st</sup> place 55 points

6 <sup>th</sup> place 90 points	18 <sup>th</sup> place 78 points	30 <sup>th</sup> place 66 points	42 <sup>nd</sup> place 54 points
7 <sup>th</sup> place 89 points	19 <sup>th</sup> place 77 points	31 <sup>st</sup> place 65 points	43 <sup>rd</sup> place 53 points
8 <sup>th</sup> place 88 points	20 <sup>th</sup> place 76 points	32 <sup>nd</sup> place 64 points	44 <sup>th</sup> place 52 points
9 <sup>th</sup> place 87 points	21 <sup>st</sup> place 75 points	33 <sup>rd</sup> place 63 points	45 <sup>th</sup> place 51 points
10 <sup>th</sup> place 86 points	22 <sup>nd</sup> place 74 points	34 <sup>th</sup> place 62 points	46 <sup>th</sup> place 50 points
11 <sup>th</sup> place 85 points	23 <sup>rd</sup> place 73 points	35 <sup>th</sup> place 61 points	47 <sup>th</sup> place 49 points
12 <sup>th</sup> place 84 points	24 <sup>th</sup> place 72 points	36 <sup>th</sup> place 60 points	48 <sup>th</sup> place 48 points

## **PARTICIPATION POINTS**

Every team participating in an KBN tournament will receive 25-participation points for fishing a tournament, regardless if the team weighs-in a fish or not. Teams must fish the tournament day to receive participation points.

If a tie should occur between two or more teams, the tie breaker will be the team with the largest number of legal fish weighed in during the tournament. Should a tie remain, then the team with the largest number of legal LIVE fish weighed in during the tournament will prevail. In the event a tie still exists, both teams will receive the same points for the tied position.

## **BIG FISH**

At each tournament during the season, a big fish prize will be awarded to the Team with the largest fish of the day.

## **TEAM OF THE YEAR**

Using the point system above, the Statewide Trail will determine Team of the Year, which **Juniors will be able to only count 3 highest points tournaments for Team of the Year. So, if they fish only four events, they can throw out their lowest event.**

If a partner cannot fish an event because of a scheduling conflict, the other partner can fish it solo and points will be awarded as a team. You must fish two events with a partner. If you change partners during the season, you will lose points and start over.

## **STATE CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFIER**

The KBN will conduct a two-day State Championship Tournament after all Qualifier are complete. The location and date of the State Championship Tournament will be established by the Tournament Director. State Qualifiers will be the 1<sup>st</sup> place and top 10% of the Total Teams fishing the field; contingent on fishing two qualifiers.

1-10 teams: 1<sup>st</sup> place

11-20 teams: 1<sup>st</sup> place and 2<sup>nd</sup> place

21-30 teams: 1<sup>st</sup> place, 2<sup>nd</sup> place and 3<sup>rd</sup> place

31-40 teams: 1<sup>st</sup> place, 2<sup>nd</sup> place, 3<sup>rd</sup> place and 4<sup>th</sup> place

## **B.A.S.S. Juniors Coaches Rules**

### **During Official Practice\* coaches MAY:**

1. Coach
2. Give advice
3. Teach by example
4. Fish
5. Run the trolling motor
6. Land fish with or without a net During Competition

### **During Competition:**

1. Coach
2. Give advice (send in plays)
3. Run the trolling motor
4. Assist with culling
5. Verbally explain techniques, how to.....

### **Coaches **MAY NOT:****

1. Fish
2. Teach by example

**Competition, anytime the combustion engine is running, coaches MUST be seated in the driver's seat in full control of the boat. No angler is allowed to fish while the combustion engine is running.**

## **ADDITIONAL RULES**

1. If you fish two different state team trails, you can only fish one state championship.
2. You must have a partner to fish the KBN Juniors Team Trail.
3. Only two anglers and one boat captain are allowed on the boat during competition days.

4. Off-limits for each tournament will be Monday thru Thursday prior to the tournament. This includes both anglers and boat captain. The KBN youth director does have the ability to change the off-limit times and restrictions.
5. No angler can be up on the front or back deck of the boat while the combustion motor is running.
6. Life jackets are to be worn by all aboard the boat (boat captains and anglers) when the combustion engine is running. Any angler of 12 years old and younger are required to always wear a life jacket while on board a boat.