

**Rules and Regulations:** The following rules will apply to the tournament and remain unchanged throughout the event unless State or local laws are in conflict. The interpretation and enforcement of rules will be left to the Tournament Committee. In the event of a rule violation, the Tournament Committee will take appropriate action, and all matters are final.

**1. Participation and Eligibility:** There will be no age limit; however, all competitors under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult. If competitor is over the age of 16 but under the age of 18, and not accompanied by an adult, written permission must be given by a parent/guardian indicating approval to participate. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry, and no refund of entry fee will be given regardless of cancellation date.

**2. Entries:** Entry fee will be \$160 per boat, and is limited to the first 60 entries. Any competitor receiving a citation for violation of any law will be disqualified. A completed entry form and full payment is required before the start of the pre-tournament meeting to be eligible for any prizes.

**3. Boat and Motor:** All boats must be at least 14 feet in length and meet Coast Guard requirements. There is no horsepower restriction. All boats must have a kill switch in working order and a functioning, aerated livewell of adequate size. A kill switch and livewell check will take place prior to take-off.

**4. Boating Conduct:** Boating safety must be observed at all times by competitors. Each competitor is required to wear a Coast Guard approved life vest at all times the outboard is operating. The vest is to be strapped, snapped, or zippered. Violation will be immediate disqualification. A kill switch attached to the life vest while the boat is operating is highly recommended.

**5. Sportsmanship:** All competitors are expected to follow high standards of sportsmanship, safety, and conservation. Any observed infraction(s) will result in disqualification.

**6. Tackle and Equipment:** All fish must be caught in a conventional sporting manner. Trolling as a method of fishing is prohibited. Only one rod may be used at a time. Only artificial lures may be used, with the exception of pork rinds.

**7. Permitted Fishing Locations:** Fishing is to take place on the Madison Chain of Lakes and the waters connected. Fishing is not permitted within 100 feet of a competitor's boat that has anchored and stowed the trolling motor. Competitors cannot leave the boat at any time unless it is at the official checkpoint, or in the case of an emergency. Competitors cannot leave the boat to land a fish. There is no practice cut-off period. Competitors are welcome to pre-fish all the way until the start of the tournament.

**8. Official Checkpoint:** All competitors must register, attend the pre-tournament meeting, take-off, and weigh-in at the Green Lantern Restaurant.

**9. Scoring:** Tournament standings shall be determined by the total weight of a boat's catch, which can total no more than five largemouth and/or smallmouth bass, each with a minimum length of 14 inches. Fish will be measured on a Golden Rule bump board, with mouth closed and tail fanned to the longest position. Any dead bass presented for weigh-in will result in a penalty of 12 oz, or 0.75 lbs, deducted from the total catch weight. Any competitor weighing in a fish shorter than 14 inches will be disqualified. Any competitor not back at the official checkpoint by 2:00 pm will be disqualified, regardless of excuse. Late is late. A tie for total weight will be decided by biggest bass. If a tie still remains, the tie will be decided by number of fish.

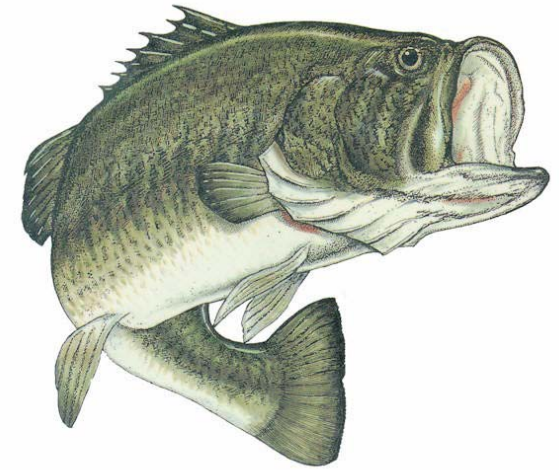
**10. Pre-Tournament Meeting:** The pre-tournament meeting will be at 5:30 am. Registration will close at 5:30 am. Every boat must have a member in attendance.

**11. Alcohol and Drugs:** No alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs will be tolerated in the boat during tournament hours. The tournament site is a drug free zone and the use of any controlled substances is terms for disqualification for present and future Badger Bass Open tournaments.

**12. Protests:** A protest or complaint may be filed in writing before the weigh-in scales close. The situation will be given consideration and ruled on by the Tournament Committee. All decisions will be final.

**Tournament Headquarters**  
**Green Lantern Restaurant**  
**4412 Siggelkow Rd**  
**McFarland, WI 53558**

**Questions? Contact Levi Warner at**  
**lwarner@wisc.edu or (920) 740-9085**



# 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Badger Bass Open Bass Tournament 2012

**Madison Chain**

**Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012**

**6:00 am-2:00 pm**

**\$160 Per Boat - Five Fish Limit**

**Presented By The**  
**UW Fishing Team**

**GRAND PRIZE \$3300**

**Registration will begin at  
4:30 am  
Pre- Tournament Meeting  
at 5:30 am**

**A MEMBER OF EACH TEAM  
MUST BE PRESENT AT THE  
MANDATORY 5:30 AM PRE-  
TOURNAMENT MEETING OR  
FACE TEAM  
DISQUALIFICATION**

**\$160 per boat (includes \$10 for big  
bass and a \$10 coupon to be  
redeemed at the Green Lantern  
Restaurant). Entries limited to the  
First 60 Individuals or 2 Person  
Teams**

**Limit:  
5 Fish Limit**

**80% Guaranteed Payback  
First Place: \$3300 cash & Plaque\*  
Second Place: \$1980 cash and  
Plaque\*  
Third Place: \$1320 cash and  
Plaque\*  
Big Bass: \$600 cash and Plaque\***

**\*Prize money is based on a full field  
of 60 entries and is calculated in the  
following way: 50% to first, 30%**

**to second, 20% to third, and \$10 per boat  
to big bass. In case of a partial field, prize  
money will be reduced accordingly.**

Mail entry form with check or money order  
(\$160) payable to: **UW Fishing Team**

Send to:  
**Levi Warner  
W6852 Detention Rd  
Shiocton, WI 54170**

Any check payment has to be postmarked by  
May 26<sup>th</sup>. After this, the only entries accepted  
will be “day of “ and must be paid in cash.  
For checks postmarked by May 26<sup>th</sup>, boat  
position will be determined by postmark date.  
For “day of” entries, boat position will be  
treated on a first come, first serve basis.



**Badger Bass Open  
Entry Form**

Partner #1 (please print):  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Partner #2 (please print):  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Year and Make  
of Boat: \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Registration Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Make of Motor and HP: \_\_\_\_\_

Having acquainted ourselves with the rules, we  
have completed this application and are  
enclosing our entry fee of \$160, payable to the  
UW Fishing Team. By signing this application,  
we hereby agree to waive our rights to file suit  
against all other contestants, the Tournament  
Committee, the UW Fishing Team, or any  
sponsors of the Badger Bass Open, due to  
damages and/or injuries that may be incurred  
during the tournament.

Partner  
#1 \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Partner  
#2 \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signatures