

GBN College Qualifier

FAQ - General

- 1) What is the definition of a college team?
 - a. A “college team” is defined as two (2) anglers attending the same college.
- 2) What is the entry fee for the College Qualifier?
 - a. The entry fee for each team is \$75 + \$3 processing fee if paid online.
 - b. AFTER online entry period ends, payment (\$75) will ONLY be accepted at angler document check, Saturday December 2, 2023 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm via cash or check
- 3) **What are the club team members requirements for participation?**
 - a. ALL entrants must be a member of the same college or university and in good standing with B.A.S.S. (membership active) and B.A.S.S. Nation (dues paid and active on your school club’s roster) prior to the angler meeting on **December 2, 2023 at 6:00 pm.**
 - b. ALL entrants are REQUIRED to sign the *Participation and Waiver Agreement (PWA)* via on-line form. See [College Qualifier: ON-LINE ONLY Registration Process](#) for all team members. The e-signature of the *Angler Participation and Waiver Agreement* form validates your participation, waiver and compliance with ALL sections contained within the [Participation and Waiver Agreement Information](#) (PWA) and that you have read and understand the [Tournament Rules](#).
 - c. Required documents for all anglers (also outlined in the [Participation and Waiver Agreement \(PWA\) Information](#), specifically under Item 4: Insurance and Item 5:1 and Item 5:2.
 - i. Boater
 1. Valid and active fishing license
 2. Valid and active GDNR Certificate of Boat Registration
 3. WLI or complete *Borrowed Boat: Permission to Use* on-line form
 - ii. Co-angler
 1. Valid and active fishing license
- 4) What is the requirement for Boater Education Course?
 - a. EACH angler is REQUIRED to show proof of completion of a Boater Education Course as per Georgia law:
 - i. As of July 1, 2014, all persons born on or after January 1, 1998, that operate any motorized vessel on the waters of the state must have completed a boat education course approved by the department prior to such operation. A person is exempt if he or she is:
 - i. a person licensed by the U.S. Coast Guard as a master of a vessel
 - ii. a person operating on a private lake or pond.
 - iii. a non-resident who has in his or her possession proof that he or she has

completed a NASBLA approved boater education course or equivalency examination from another state.

- iv. Boater Education information can be found here: [Georgia boating-education](#)
- 5) What is the requirement for boat insurance?
 - a. Watercraft Liability Insurance (WLI) is required and minimum of \$300,000.00.
 - b. See Section: [Watercraft Liability](#).
 - c. Also stated requirement in the [Participation and Waiver Agreement \(PWA\) Information](#), under Item 4: Insurance
 - 6) Can I use a borrowed boat for the tournament?
 - a. YES, you must complete the “**Borrowed Boat: Permission to Use**” on-line form, see [Borrowed Boat: Permission to Use process](#).
 - 7) What are these required documents for College Qualifier?
 - a. Boater Education Course (if applicable)
 - b. Co-angler > Active fishing license
 - c. Boater > Active Fishing License, Active GDNR Boat Registration and WLI or *Borrowed Boat: Permission to Use* on-line form.
 - d. BASS / BASS Nation cards are NOT required.

FAQ - Tournament

- 1) Are the Tournament rules included in this document?
 - a. See GBN [Tournament Rules](#).
- 2) Are there boat and motor restrictions?
 - a. YES, boat length and motor size. See GBN [Tournament Rules](#) || Section # 9 & 10.
- 3) What are the requirements if using “inflatable” type PFD’s?
 - a. For everyone on the boat wearing an inflatable PFD (one or both); you are REQUIRED to have a corresponding vest type lifejacket for everyone as well. This is a Coast Guard REQUIREMENT. See GBN [Tournament Rules](#) || Section #4.
 - b. It shall be the responsibility of each angler to ensure if he/she is going to participate in the GBN College Qualifier AND wear an inflatable type of PFD, to bring or have a vest type lifejacket in addition.
- 4) Can boater and co-angler actively fish from the front of the boat?
 - a. Yes, the boater and co angler who are considered a team can fish from the front deck of the boat.
- 5) Are nets allowed?
 - a. YES, nets are allowed for retrieval of caught fish. See GBN [Tournament Rules](#) || Section #17:c
- 6) What is consider the “legal limit of bass” for the GBN College Qualifier tournament?
 - a. Team limit per boat is 5 fish of legally allowed species of bass. See [GBN Tournament Rules](#) || Section #16.
- 7) Are there “off-limits” areas?
 - a. Yes., designated off-limits areas will be announced at tournament briefing.
- 8) Are “A-Rigs” or Umbrella rigs allowed?
 - a. YES, multiple lure rigs (UMBRELLA RIGS) are allowed if it follows state fishing regulations. See [GBN Tournament Rules](#) || Section #6
- 9) Is “strolling” or “long line” as a method of fishing allowed in GBN College Qualifier?
 - a. NO., these methods of fishing are NOT allowed. See [GBN Tournament Rules](#) || Section #8
- 10) Is “trolling” with outboard motor as a method of fishing allowed in GBN College Qualifier?
 - a. NO., this method of fishing is NOT allowed. See [GBN Tournament Rules](#) || Section #8.