



Format for MBN – Youth Division Annual Schedule

MBN-Youth Division will make every attempt to announce the date and location for all tournaments as soon as possible. Keep in mind that there are many items to consider when scheduling our tournament locations and dates. Here are the main considerations:

1. Jr and H.S. B.A.S.S. National Championship dates
2. Size of lake to accommodate 60+ boats/teams for any given tournament
3. Public parking capacity at ramp – 60+ boats/teams
4. Personal availability of Youth Director (this is a volunteer position)
5. # of 3rd party tournaments scheduled on the same tournament waters

High School Team Trail Tournaments (Anglers of the Year):

MBN – Youth Division holds 4 High School Team Trail tournaments per year. HS teams accumulate points based on their finish in each tournament. For every 50 individual anglers that compete in at least one of the HS Team Trail tournament we will qualify 1 team for B.A.S.S. High School Nationals.

The focus of the team trail is to challenge all anglers to utilize different fishing technique in order to overcome the characteristics of each location. Although winning one or more of the tournaments is always good, consistency in all four of the tournaments is what rewards top finishing anglers.

We typically hold the first two tournaments in June and the next two in July. To the best of our ability, we will attempt to hold a pair of tournaments on consecutive days on the same weekend (1 Saturday and 1 Sunday).

There is no “Off-Limits” period prior to the date of any High School Team Trail tournaments. As normal, anglers must be off the tournament waters at 5PM the evening prior to the tournament.

Unless granted a Youth Director’s exemption, any angler wishing to compete in the MBN H.S. State Championship must compete in at least one (1) High School Team Trail tournament. A request for exemption must be delivered via email to the Youth Director with a full explanation regarding reason for the request. Approval/Denial will be handle on a case by case basis.

Junior and High School (Youth) State Championship:

MBN – Youth Division holds 1 Junior (2nd-8th grade) and 1 H.S. State Championship (9th-12th grade) annually. Based on their finish, two (2) teams from each division have the opportunity to qualify for their respective B.A.S.S. National Championships.

Our Youth Division State Championship will typically be held in early to mid-August. The State Championship is typically a 2 day tournament on the same body of water.

To insure the integrity of the competition, we will typically have a 1 to 2 week “Off-Limits” period prior to the MBN – Youth Division State Championship tournaments.