

Constitution and By-Laws

Canyon State Bass Club

Article 1: Name and Purpose

Section 1: Name

This Club shall be called CANYON STATE BASS CLUB.

Section 2: Purpose

To promote public awareness of Bass Fishing as a major sport. To offer our state conservation department our organized moral and political support and encouragement. To promote full and legal enforcement of existing regulatory standards. To improve our skills as Bass Anglers through a fellowship of friendly exchange of expert Bass catching techniques and ideas, and to promote and encourage youth fishing, and love for this great sport.

Article 2: Member Policy:

Membership in the Canyon State Bass Club is limited to 100 members. In order to assure that members are active and contribute to the club and the new members will be active, the following rules are adopted.

Section 1: New Members

To become a member a person shall:

- A. Voluntarily express a genuine interest in membership.
- B. New members must be at least 18 years of age, and apply for membership at a regularly scheduled meeting.

Section 2: Reason for being removed from club membership.

- A. Upon unanimous agreement of the elected officers, a member may be removed for action detrimental to the club.
- B. Members will be removed who fail to pay their club dues by the first meeting in January.

Section 3: Membership Dues

The membership dues shall be Fifty (\$50.00) dollars annually payable upon being accepted into the Canyon State Bass Club. The fee shall be reduced to \$40.00 if paid at the first meeting of the year.

Section 4: Associate Member:

Those people who are 17 years and younger and wish to participate in Canyon State Bass Club as an associate member may do so upon approval of the elected officers, and payment of twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars annual dues. Associate Members must fish with a member that is 18 year of age or older or with a one-time guest as allowed by Canyon State Bass Club, who is 18 years of age or older. Associate Members may attend club functions; however, they do not have voting rights, and do not have to meet attendance requirements. Associate Members are not eligible for door prizes or drawings for prizes. Associate Members may also fish club tournaments.

Article 3 Officers, Elections, Vacancies, and Eligibility.

Section 1: The officers of the Canyon State Bass Club shall consist of:

A. President: Preside over all meetings and direct all official business. Direct all committee functions. Supervise all club functions. Maintain the club website.

B. Vice President: Assist the president in his duties and preside in the absence of the president.

C. Secretary: Maintain accurate minutes of all meetings.

D. Treasurer: Collect all membership and tournament fees. Maintain accurate financial records.

E. Tournament Director: Oversee all tournaments rules. Maintain accurate Tournament results. Tournament Director may impose actions or ruling deemed appropriate, which may included the following without limitations. The tournament director may seek advisement from the board of directors. The tournament directors decision shall be final in all matters.

1. Reduction of competition hours.
2. Loss of catch for the day of the violation.
3. Disqualification from the current tournament.
4. Forfeiture of prizes and entry fee.
5. Disqualification from future events.

Section 2: Elections:

The election of officers shall be held annually at the regular meeting during the month of October. Elections shall be by simple majority of members present. Election for each officer shall be held separately in the order listed in Article 2, Section 1. Names to be put forward at the meeting in September prior to the October Election Meetings.

Section 3: Eligibility of vote.

Each Member is entitled to one vote per office. Proxy votes are not permitted.

Section 4: Term of Office

The term of office is for one year, which shall begin on January 1st and end on the last meeting day of December, or until successor assumes office. Original slate of officers shall serve until the last meeting day of the following December.

The new Tournament Committee shall assume office at the time of election in October in order to set tournament days and obtain permits for the coming year. They will not govern any tournament until after January 1st.

Section 5: Vacancies:

In the event of an office becoming vacant, nomination shall be asked for and the election held to fill the unexpired term of the individual vacating the office.

Section 6: Eligibility of holding office.

To be eligible for an office a member must:

- A. Is a member in good standing of Canyon State Bass Club.

Article 4: Tournament Committee:

Shall consist of the board of directors and directed by the Tournament Director.

Section 1: Duties:

To schedule, conduct and keep records of all club tournaments. To apply for applications on lakes where required. Also, to rule on any properly filed protest at a club tournament.

Article 5: Method of Amending the Constitution and By-Laws.

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The constitution may be amended at any regular meeting by a 2/3 vote of the members present, provided notice of the proposed amendment have been presented to the membership at least 30 days prior to the vote.