Berkeley High Open Fishing Team Tournament
Lake Marion

Date and Time: Saturday, April 18th
7:00 am – 2:00 pm weigh-in

Rules Meeting: 6:30 am at the landing

Location: Spiers Landing, Cross, SC
Located on Spiers Landing Rd, Cross, SC 29436
Spiers Landing Rd. is located approximately 10 miles SE of Eutawville off of Hwy 6/45, turn left and go to the dead end.

Participants: Anglers must be current members of a league club that is registered with DNR.

Awards:

- 1st – 3rd Place
- Big Fish

Rules: Rules for this tournament are listed below. Anglers and boat captains are also expected to obey all rules and regulations provided by the Youth Bass League, The Bass Federation and SCDNR.
If there are rules questions, please contact George Brittle 843-899-8800, ext 2428 at BHS
843-607-7146, cell

Registration: Registration for this event is free.

THIS FORM IS MANDATORY TO PARTICIPATE

RELEASE OF LIABILITY

The undersigned herby releases Berkeley High School and George Brittle from liability for any and all damage, compensation or claim arising directly or indirectly from, or relating in any way to, the use of Spiers Landing and Lake Marion premises for a fishing tournament, including, but not limited to, any damage or consequential damages to his or her physical, mental or emotional status or personal property, or boat, whether from obvious or latent defects in the leased premises. The undersigned further agrees and covenants not to file any lawsuit against Berkeley High or George Brittle for any Claim.

Signed this _____ day of _____. 2015.

_____	_____
Printed Name	Printed Name
_____	_____
Signature of Parent or Boat Captain	Signature of Student Angler

Tournament Rules

The following rules are designed to promote sportsmanship among the anglers and to provide a fair competition. Failure to comply with any rules may result in a weight penalty or disqualification from the tournament.

1) **All SC DNR fishing rules and regulations apply during tournaments, including fishing license and boating regulations.**

2) **All school rules apply during fishing tournaments.**

3) Anglers must be age 11-18 and have **paid club dues for TBF or BASS.**

4) Take-off will be at 7:00 am. Please use caution. Any team that arrives late can communicate with the director but must launch at Spiers Landing.

5) Safety is the number one concern for these tournaments. All boats must be operated safely at all times. **Coast Guard approved PFDs must be worn anytime the combustion engine is running.** The boat must have an emergency ignition shut-off device that is secured to the driver/captain's body. Boats must also be covered by current liability insurance.

6) Captains should advise anglers on boat safety and sportsmanship, and may give anglers fishing advice including locations, techniques, etc. Captains may land fish for the anglers.

7) Club tournaments will have a **5 fish per boat limit**. All fish must be largemouth, spotted, redeye, or smallmouth bass that are **at least 14" in length**. Teams should not possess more than 5 fish at any time during the tournament. Extra fish must be culled immediately.

8) All fish must be caught on artificial lures, and anglers may only use one rod at a time. Trolling is not permitted.

9) Every effort should be made to keep fish alive until they are released after weigh-in. **All boats must be equipped with a properly working live well with aeration**.

10) Dead fish should never be culled. If a fish is foul hooked or accidently killed, the fish must be kept and brought to weigh-in as part of the fish limit. **A .25 pound penalty will be assessed for each dead fish.**

11) Boats that are **late to weigh-in will be assessed a penalty of 1 pound per minute** after the designated weigh-in time. After 15 minutes the boat will be disqualified.

12) If an emergency occurs, the captain or an angler should **call 911 1st**, and then notify the tournament supervisor, **George Brittle (843) 607-7146**

13) All boat captains and anglers must sign the Release of Liability Form to participate and present then to the Tournament Director before the rules meeting at 6:45am.