

*Alabama's  
Fifth Annual  
Snag Proof Open!*



**Lake Guntersville**  
**August 15, 2009**  
**Goose Pond Colony Resort**  
Tournament Hours: Safe Light till 3:00 pm

**FROGS ONLY!**

*ONLY Snag Proof  
Brand Lures  
Allowed*

- 1st Place - Bass Cat Boat
- 2nd Place - \$2000
- 3rd Place - \$1000
- 4th Place - \$800
- 5th Place - \$600
- 6th Place - \$500
- 7th Place - \$400
- 8th Place - \$375
- 9th Place - \$350
- 10th Place - \$325
- 11th Place - \$300
- 12th Place - \$275
- 13th Place - \$250
- 14th Place - \$225
- 15th Place - \$200

16th-20th Place - \$150  
\$20 Big Bass Option / Pays Top 5

**1st Place**

*Mercury powered 17' Bass Cat Boat with Bas Cat trailer.*

**Over \$20,000 in Cash  
and Prizes  
GUARANTEED  
regardless  
of entries!!!**

**\$150 Entry Fee**

\$160 if postmarked after August 1st  
**Max Field -- 150 Boats**

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# Snag Proof Open Rules

1. Tournament DIRECTOR: Shall have final say on all decisions on any and all rules concerning this tournament. The following rules will be the standard and official rules throughout the tournament series. The director reserves the right to refuse any questionable entry application. The director reserves the right to cancel any tournament due to persistent and extreme weather conditions. In the case of cancellation, all registered entrants will receive a full entry fee refund.
2. Only Snag Proof Brand Frogs are to be used in this tournament. Snag Proof Frogs must be used in a fashion, method, and/or technique in which the Snag Proof Frog is the primary lure. Snag Proof Frog CAN NOT be used as a trailer on a jig, spinner bait, or buzz bait. Modifications to Snag Proof lures by adding rattles or additional weights to your Snag Proof lures is permitted. This includes the use of weights for techniques such as Texas rigs, Carolina rigs, and Drop Shot rigs. Modifications by painting or staining your Snag Proof Frogs are permitted. You may change the hooks. No trailers of any kind will be allowed.
3. Tournament Winners: Winners will be determined by the heaviest weight for five (5) fish.
4. BLAST OFF & WEIGH IN: Each team consisting of no more than 2 persons per boat, will be assigned a boat number and weigh in time in the order of in which their registration and entry fee is received and will be sent out in that order. Each team is required to leave from and return to the designated check in point. Any team returning to the check in point after their appointed check in time will be assessed a one (1) pound penalty per minute up to 15 minutes. After 15 minutes, the team will be disqualified from weighing in their fish. ANGLERS MAY NOT FISH ALONE.
5. Registration: Each team must register/check-in and have your live wells checked at the official tournament headquarters prior to blast off. Registration will begin 4:00 am on August 15, 2009
6. Sportsmanship: any contestant who displays poor sportsmanship and/or violates any of these rules will be disqualified. Disorderly conduct at any official tournament or event meeting/seminar will be grounds for disqualification.
7. Participants And Eligibility: Anyone under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult (Parent or legal guardian) ..
8. Safety: Safe boating practices must be observed at all times. All contestants MUST wear a Coast Guard approved chest type life preserver any time the combustion engine is in operation. All boats must be equipped with an ignition kill switch. This kill switch must be attached to the drivers' body while combustion engine is operating. (Violation of this or any other rule will result in immediate disqualification.)
9. Boat and Motor: The tournament director reserves the right to prohibit any boat from participating in the start if such boat is considered unsafe or the operator unqualified. Boats equipped with motor horsepower in excess of factory or BIA rating will not be allowed in tournament competition. A functional kill switch must be hooked up and operational at any time the main motor is running.
10. Checkpoints: Contestants must check in and out at the official checkpoint. Contestants' boats will be assigned a boater's number.
11. Partners Must Remain Together: throughout the fishing day and may not leave the boat unless approved by a tournament official (exception: use of rest room facilities).
12. Permitted Fishing Methods: Only Snag Proof Frog Lures may be used. No prepared or live bait is permitted. Rods are not to exceed eight feet in length. Only one rod may be used at one time. However, any number of rigged rods may be in the boat for substitute purposes. Trolling, as a method of fishing, is prohibited. All fish must be caught live and in a conventional angling method. All fishing must be done from a boat.
13. Permitted Fishing Areas: Contestants may fish anywhere on tournament water available to the public and accessible by boat, except areas designated as "off-limits" or "no fishing" by Federal, State or Local Officials.
14. Fish Size/Culling: Fish will be measured flat, mouth shut on a Golden Rule measuring board with a 15 inch minimum length. No measuring or culling inside of 5 mph buoys or the area between the check-in point and the weigh-in site will be permitted. Infractions will result in disqualification.
15. Number of fish in Limit: No team may hold in their live well more than the imposed limit by the event fished (5 fish).
16. Breakdowns/Emergencies: Anglers are not permitted to leave their boats nor touch another boat, with the exception of an emergency or major equipment failure. In this case, it is permitted to be towed either to safety or back to the weigh-in area by any safe means available. You may not transport fish by land if you choose to trailer back to the weigh-in area, however, you may have your fish transported to the weigh-in by another tournament boat participating in the same event. At least one person must stay with your fish at all times and neither angler is permitted to fish while under the assistance of another boat during the breakdown period.
17. Scoring & Penalties - SCORING: Each team may weigh in five (5) fish with a minimum legal length of fifteen (15) inches. A dead fish penalty of four (4) ounces per dead fish will be subtracted from the total weight. Any team weighing in more than five (5) fish will have their creel culled down to five fish, starting with their largest fish. Any team weighing in a fish shorter than minimum legal length will be assessed a one (1) pound penalty plus the loss of that fish. Contestants are urged to witness their weigh in. Only largemouth, small mouth, and spotted bass may be weighed in. Golden rule measuring board will be used at all weigh-ins. Fish will be measured with mouth closed and tail compressed on flat board.
18. Ties: Prize money for tied positions will be combined and divided equally among the tying teams.
19. Polygraph - A member of the 1st place team WILL be polygraphed. Also, two other placing teams WILL be polygraphed. These teams will be given prize money only after passing a polygraph test.
20. Live Wells: Adequate Live Wells are mandatory on each boat and must provide proper aeration to maintain fish in good condition, as all fish will be released alive after the weigh-in. In the case of a boat without built in livewells, a large Ice chest with portable aerators with be acceptable. You will be asked to show the aerators working. We strongly recommend the use of catch and release additive to your livewells.
21. Off-Limit Areas: Every lake may have off-limit areas. If no specific off-limit areas are announced, then 50 yards from any gas pumps and the host marina will always be enforced.
22. Reserved Areas: No person may "hold" or "reserve" a fishing area for a contestant at any time. Infraction of this rule will result in disqualification of all parties involved.
23. Protest: must be submitted in writing no later than thirty (30) minutes after the last flight check in time.
24. Insurance: It is the responsibility of all boat owners to have current boat insurance to participate in this event. Failure to do so could result in your not being allowed to participate in or being disqualified from the event.
25. Fishing License: Each contestant will observe State Fish and Game laws and have in his or her possession a valid state fishing license.
26. Beverages: No alcoholic beverages or drugs are allowed in the boat or to be consumed during official tournament hour's prior to weigh in.

## PLEASE READ THIS ENTRY AND RELEASE FORM BEFORE SIGNING

**SNAG PROOF LURES, GUNTERSVILLE LAKE OPEN TEAM BASS TOURNAMENT - AUGUST 15TH, ENTRY FEE: \$150.00**  
**IF POSTMARKED AFTER AUGUST 1, 2009 ENTRY FEE WILL BE \$160.00**

NAME:		NAME:	
ADDRESS:		ADDRESS:	
CITY:		CITY:	
STATE:	ZIP:	STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL:		EMAIL:	
BOAT&MOTOR:		BOAT&MOTOR:	

\$150.00 Entry Fee  
 \$20.00 Big Bass  
 \$170.00 Total

Post Marked After  
 August 1, 2009

\$160.00 Entry Fee  
 \$20.00 Big Bass  
 \$180.00 Total



**Release:** In signing this agreement I hereby Release Snag Proof, BASSMAXX Outdoors, and its officers, and their respective member companies, subsidiaries and affiliates and the officers, agents, employees of each of these entities from any and all damages, claims, demands, costs, or expenses relating to any injury of any person or any property which I may sustain or cause by any reason of participation or in connection with this tournament. Covenant Not to Sue and Waiver Subrogation: I further agree never to Sue Snag Proof, BASSMAXX Outdoors, et al for damages on account of any injury I cause, whether know known or developed in the future. In the event Snag Proof, BASSMAXX Outdoors, are sued because of my actions, I expressly agree to indemnify and hold harmless Snag Proof, BASSMAXX Outdoors, from any liability whatsoever, including court costs and attorney's fees arising with respect to such actions. I understand that in waiving my rights to sue the above mentioned parties I also am waiving the rights to recover from same parties of my insurance carrier for any claims they may pay on my behalf. I further state that I maintain liability insurance on the boat that I will use in this tournament. I further state that the boat I will use in this tournament is not over horse powered according to the US Coast Guard rating plate on the boat. I agree to submit to a polygraph test to be taken at random. I further acknowledge and agree that all protest or disputes of any nature, including, but not limited to matters relating to weigh-in, catch, or competitor and the disbursements of any and all money or prizes to any tournament participant shall be resolved by the tournament officials and that the decisions of the tournament officials shall be final, and I waive any and all rights to file any claim on Snag Proof, BASSMAXX Outdoors. I agree to permit television footage to be taken of myself and the use of my name and likeness while in competition in this tournament and also agree waive all rights to this footage and allow to permit Snag Proof and BASSMAXX Outdoors to air this footage on television without any compensations.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**This entry form MUST BE SIGNED AND DATED by both team members before valid**

**Send Check or Money Order with this entry form to:**

**Bass Maxx Outdoors**

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