

Guide to Hosting Bass Fishing Tournaments In Oregon

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NOTE: The tournament permit application is available online at <https://fwpubapps.dfw.state.or.us/ODFWPermitApp>.



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Bass Fishing Tournaments in Oregon

Bass angling tournaments hosted by local clubs and regional and national organizations are held each year on waters throughout Oregon. Although participants follow established conservation practices, competitions can place significant pressure on a local fishery, particularly those in lakes and reservoirs that annually attract multiple events. The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) has established requirements to ensure the bass populations can meet this demand and provide quality recreational opportunity for other anglers.

The requirements for holding a fishing tournament in Oregon are outlined in Oregon Revised Statute (ORS 498.279) and Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR 635-001-0100 and 635-001-0105). This guide will simplify that information and make it easier for tournament directors and others hosting a bass tournament to plan and conduct the event.

What is a bass angling tournament?

A black bass or bass angling tournament or “contest” is defined as a competition in which prizes are offered for the amount, quality, size, weight, or other physical characteristic of the fish caught where the total value of all cash or merchandise awards exceeds \$25. The general requirements for a bass contest include:

- ✓ The contestants must use aerated live wells or other equipment so that all reasonable efforts are made to maintain the fish taken in a live and healthy condition.
- ✓ All fish caught that are in healthy condition must be immediately returned to the waterbody where they were caught in scattered locations at least one mile from the weigh-in site. However, in some instances, tournament-caught bass may be used for restocking under the direction of ODFW.
- ✓ Contestants may only use artificial flies and lures, and imitation baits.

ODFW can waive the above requirements if a determination is made that limiting black bass or walleye populations would benefit native fish species or ecological health of a body of water.

I want to host a tournament - what do I need to do?

All angling tournaments must receive prior approval from ODFW. The specific requirements will vary depending on the size of the tournament (i.e. number of boats or anglers you plan to host or expect to participate), but there are essentially five steps you'll need to take:

1. Determine the size of the tournament.
2. Receive permission or a permit from ODFW and others to hold the tournament.
3. Ensure the event and/or participants can be easily identified.
4. Ensure event participants follow all catch, possession, and release requirements.
5. Report the tournament results to ODFW.

Now let's go through each of these five steps...



Determine the size of the tournament.

Decide first on the size of your tournament and how many anglers and boats will be allowed to participate:

Small Tournament

A small tournament - sometimes referred to as a “club” tournament - will have **fewer than 25 boats and 50 anglers** participating.

Large Tournament

A large tournament - sometimes referred to as an “open” tournament - will have **more than 24 boats and 49 anglers** participating.



Receive permission or a permit from ODFW and others to hold the tournament.

Small Tournament

A permit from ODFW is not required and there is no fee for a small tournament. However, to be legal **you must notify** the Oregon State Police (OSP) **and** the local ODFW District Fish Biologist of the location, date, and time of the tournament **at least 10 days prior** to the event.

Notify ODFW via a phone call to the District Fish Biologist for that area unless you have already established another means of contact. For example, some groups annually provide to the appropriate District(s) a letter or email listing the small tournaments they plan to hold in that area during the coming year. Work with the District Fish Biologist to determine which method they prefer. Table 2 lists the contact information for the ODFW staff for the waterbodies where most tournaments are held.

Notify OSP via an email addressed to the Lieutenant for that OSP Region unless you have already established another means of contact. Table 3 lists the contact information for the OSP staff for the waterbodies where most tournaments are held.

NOTE: Although ODFW manages the bass fisheries, the department does not manage the waterbodies or access where most tournaments are held, so also check if other permits or approvals may be required before holding an event.

Large Tournament

A permit from ODFW is required for a large tournament. Submit the permit application at least **30 days prior to the event** online at <https://fwpubapps.dfw.state.or.us/ODFWPermitApp> .

When an applicant creates an online account, the Department will use the email address provided to notify them of the status of their application and, if they are successful, send a PDF version of the Bass Tournament Permit. Applicants will use the online system to submit the **\$121.50** permit fee and the required post-event report.

The Large Tournament Permit Application and Allocation Process

ODFW will accept applications for large bass tournaments beginning **November 1** of the year preceding the year in which the proposed events will be held. **Applications cannot be submitted prior to November 1.** The Department will begin to process applications on **December 15** in the order in which they have been received.

The process outlined below will be used to allocate tournament permits. However, parties requesting conflicting tournament dates are first encouraged to resolve the conflict among themselves.

1. If an organization has applied for and received a tournament permit for a particular waterbody continuously for the past 25 years, that organization will receive **grandfather rights** to a permit on that waterbody. The grandfather right includes preference among all other successful permit recipients for selecting an event date. That organization will retain grandfather rights as long as it:
 - a. Continuously reapplies for a permit for that waterbody every year;
 - b. Draws a minimum of 50 participants for any two years in a 3-year period.

If an organization with grandfather rights fails to meet the above criteria, ODFW shall rescind that organization's grandfather rights but may permit the organization to retain its grandfather rights if it failed to meet these criteria due to circumstances beyond its control

2. After any organizations with grandfather rights are allotted permits, the remaining permits for a waterbody will be awarded through a point system as described below:
 - a. Every year that an organization applies for one of the remaining permits and does not draw one, that organization receives a "point". An organization can only receive a maximum of one point per year per waterbody. An organization must apply every year to retain the points, otherwise their points go to zero.
 - b. If the number of applicants is less than the number of available permits (*see page 9 under Large Tournaments and Columbia River Tournaments*) then all applicants will receive a permit (provided there are no scheduling conflicts) and all applicants lose all their points.
 - c. If the number of applicants is greater than the number of permits available after the grandfather allocation, then permits are allocated by lottery among the permit applicants with the most points.

- d. If permits are still available after this allocation, they will be allocated by lottery among the organizations with the next most points and so on until all authorized permits are allocated.
- e. If an organization with a permit applies for an additional permit for that same waterbody, it will only be considered after all applicants without permits have been granted one.



NOTE: Marine Event Permits

The United States Coast Guard (USCG) or the Oregon State Marine Board (OSMB) require a Marine Event Permit for a bass fishing tournament regardless of the number of boats participating.

A USCG permit required for a tournament that will be held on a waterbody that has been defined by the USCG as a Federally Navigable Water. The current list of Federally Navigable Waters includes the Columbia River, the lower Willamette River up to Willamette Falls, and the Snake River and Brownlee Reservoir.

For waters other than those defined as Federally Navigable, an OSMB Marine Event Permit is required.

Information about the USCG and OSMB requirements and permit processes can be found at the OSMB web site at <http://www.oregon.gov/OSMB/info/Pages/Marine-Events.aspx>.



Ensure the event and/or participants can be easily identified.

Small Tournament

The sponsor must ensure all boats participating in a small tournament are clearly marked as “Contestant” or “Tournament” in a manner visible without magnification from a minimum distance of 50 yards.

Large Tournament

The sponsor of a large tournament, or a designated representative at the tournament location, must be in possession of the large tournament permit issued by ODFW. The permit must be shown to OSP, ODFW, and other law enforcement or facility management employees on request.



Ensure event participants follow all catch, possession, and release requirements.

Small and Large Tournaments

The sponsor must ensure all participants follow the subsequent catch and possession restrictions that apply to all bass fishing tournaments:

- a. Participants competing as individuals may continue to fish while holding five bass of any size in the livewell, as long as one of the bass is released immediately upon catching another bass.
- b. Two-person teams may continue to fish while holding 10 bass of any size in the livewell, regardless of the number of bass caught by each angler, as long as one of the bass is released immediately when either team member catches an additional bass. If the number of participants on any single boat is three or more anglers, the possession limit per boat is limited to 10 bass of any size.

The sponsor must ensure all participants release live fish in scattered locations **at least one mile** from the weigh-in site or at locations designated by ODFW. The tournament director or a designee may exceed possession limits for the purpose of transporting fish from the weigh-in site to release sites on the same water.

NOTE: Catch and Release Angling

The careful handling and release of tournament fish helps protect the resource and ensures it will be available for future events and to other anglers. It also demonstrates to non-anglers the fishery is valued.

A good resource on the care and handling of tournament bass is the BASS publication *Keeping Bass Alive: A Guidebook for Tournament Anglers and Organizers*. Discussed are:

- ✓ What can stress or injure fish and why.
- ✓ How to hook, land, and handle caught fish.
- ✓ Providing healthy conditions in the livewell.
- ✓ How to set-up and manage the weigh-in site.
- ✓ How to release the fish.

You can find it by visiting the BASS web site at

https://www.bassmaster.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/keepingbassalive_guidebook_comp.pdf



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Other considerations...

Please remind participants to be courteous toward and respectful of other users as it's likely your event will be sharing the water as well as parking areas, boat ramps, and marinas. Be conscious of boat speed and wake. Take steps to ensure your organization and tournament bass fishing will continue to be welcomed.



Report the tournament results to ODFW.

Small Tournament

There are no reporting requirements for small tournaments. However, sponsors are encouraged to submit tournament effort and catch information. To submit a report for a small tournament contact ODFW's Warmwater Fish Biologist (contact information below) for an electronic reporting form. ODFW uses this information to monitor the status of fish populations and guide management.

Large Tournament

The sponsor is required to report the results of a large tournament to ODFW **not later than 30 days** after the end of the event online at <https://fwpubapps.dfw.state.or.us/ODFWPermitApp>.

The sponsor is required to record and report the number and weight of smallmouth and largemouth bass separately. In other words, you must report the number of largemouth bass and how much they weighed, and the number of smallmouth bass and how much they weighed. Reporting the number of smallmouth and largemouth bass and a combined weight is not acceptable and will not meet reporting requirements.

Failure to submit reports that meet this requirement will be grounds for denial of bass tournament permits in the future.

The Fish and Wildlife Commission may order closure of any waters to tournaments when the Commission considers such action necessary to protect wildlife resources.

For any questions, please contact:

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Corvallis, OR 97330
541-757-5244
Gary.R.Vonderohe@odfw.oregon.gov



Other Commonly Asked Questions

The lake where we want to hold a tournament has special regulations. Can we bring fish in for the weigh-in that would otherwise be illegal to possess?

As you read above in  4 regarding catch and possession restrictions, tournament anglers are exempt from normal bag and length limits, so it's important you're able to show the anglers are participating in an approved event. For a large tournament, you'll need to have a tournament permit issued by ODFW. For a small tournament, you'll need to have contacted OSP and the local ODFW biologist and have tournament banners visible showing you are conducting a small event.

We want to host a tournament on the Columbia River. Do we also need a Washington permit or Washington fishing licenses?

A large or small tournament held on the Columbia River that launches from Oregon and/or fishes Oregon waters (waters between two points of Oregon land such as a slough, bay, or cove on the Oregon side) requires a permit from ODFW (large) or that ODFW and OSP be notified (small) as outlined above. The tournament **does not** need a Washington permit to fish along the Washington shore of the Columbia if:

- a. The participants **are not** fishing in water inside two points of Washington land (i.e., a slough, bay, or cove on the Washington side) or
- b. The participants **are not** in the mainstem of the Columbia upstream from the Oregon-Washington state boundary (i.e. McNary Pool north of the Oregon boundary).

We want to host a tournament on Brownlee Reservoir, which lies on the Oregon-Idaho border. Do the tournament anglers need to have a fishing license from Oregon, Idaho, or both states? From which state do we need to obtain a tournament permit?

- a. If the tournament anglers are fishing the main body of Brownlee Reservoir and/or water between two points of Idaho land such as the Brownlee Creek arm they need only an Oregon or Idaho angling license and can fish under a tournament permit issued by Oregon or Idaho.
- b. If the tournament anglers are fishing in water between two points of Oregon land such as the Powder River arm, they need an Oregon angling license. However, the tournament permit can be issued by Oregon or Idaho.

Are there any restrictions on the size of a tournament that can be held or on the number of tournaments that can be held annually on any particular waterbody?

Small Tournament

There are no restrictions on the number of small tournaments that may be held on a waterbody. However, tournament hosts will want to coordinate with one another as is practical to avoid holding two small events on that water the same day.

ODFW will not *typically* deny a small tournament request only because another small tournament is scheduled for the same water on the same day. Any potential conflicts that may arise between groups due to the scheduling of small tournaments will need to be resolved by the tournament hosts.

Large Tournaments

No more than one large or permitted tournament may be held on any water body within any thirteen-day period, except for the Columbia River (see below). This effectively means that for tournaments held on weekends (i.e. Saturday and/or Sunday) successive events could be held on the same water body no more often than every second weekend.

The frequency and size of large tournaments is further limited as follows by the surface area of the water on which the event will be held as defined by the Atlas of Oregon Lakes (Oregon State University Press, 1985).

Table 1 shows the maximum number of large tournaments that can be held annually on waters in Oregon and the maximum number of participating boats allowed.

Columbia River Tournaments

More than one tournament may be held in any 13-day period on the Columbia River downstream from Bonneville Dam, including the Willamette River upstream to Willamette Falls, and the Columbia River impoundments provided the tournament launch sites are 10 or more river miles apart as defined by the River Mile Index for the Main Stem Columbia River (Hydrology Subcommittee of the Columbia Basin Inter-Agency Committee, 1962) and the Willamette River Recreation Guide (Oregon State Marine Board and Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, 1998).

We take good care of the bass caught during tournaments, but occasionally a fish may die. What are we required to do with the dead fish?

It is illegal for the participants or the tournament sponsor to keep fish after a tournament ends. However, the tournament director may dispose of fish that die during or as a result of tournament activities in the following manner:

- The fish may be donated in accordance with local bag and possession limits to individuals at the weigh-in site not participating in or with the tournament. The tournament sponsor must issue a receipt for donated fish that must stay with the fish. The receipt must include the name of the recipient and the species and number of fish donated.
- The tournament director may exceed the bag or possession limit in order to transport and dispose of dead fish as specified by ODFW, or to donate them to:
 - Public and charitable institutions such as welfare organizations, churches, etc.
 - Persons determined to be eligible because of low income or medical reasons.
 - Wildlife rehabilitators licensed by ODFW.
 - Rendering plants or pet food manufacturers.

Oregon requires an Aquatic Invasive Species Program Permit (AISPP) for all motorized and non-motorized watercraft. Are similar permits needed from Washington or Idaho when fishing border waters such as the Columbia River or Brownlee Reservoir?

Columbia River Downstream of the Washington State Border

Any non-Washington state registered boat is required to purchase an aquatic invasive species prevention permit before placing or operating the watercraft in any waterbody in the state of Washington. One exemption for a Washington aquatic invasive species prevention permit is for vessels registered in Oregon when that vessel is being used in shared waters of the Columbia River. Washington boaters fishing the main channel of the river do not need to possess the Oregon AISPP and can launch from either the Washington or Oregon shore. However, they need to carry the Oregon AISPP if they are fishing areas along the Oregon side of the river that lie between two points of Oregon land such as a slough, bay, or cove.

Brownlee Reservoir

Idaho has an aquatic invasive species permit program that requires Idaho boats to have the Idaho Invasive Species Fund (ISF) sticker. Boaters fishing Brownlee Reservoir can carry either the Oregon AISPP or Idaho ISF sticker provided they are fishing in the main body of the reservoir. Oregon or Idaho boaters fishing in the Powder River arm, however, must carry the Oregon AISPP. Idaho boaters fishing other Oregon waters such as Owyhee Reservoir must carry the Oregon AISPP.



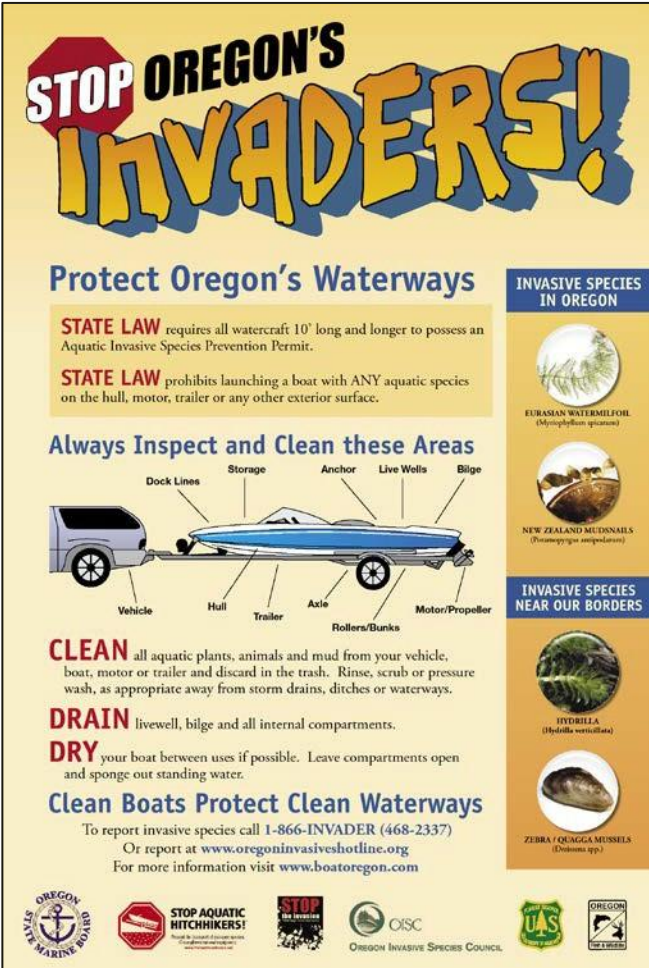
PREVENT THE SPREAD OF AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES

Oregon bass anglers participate in tournaments throughout the state, region, and across the country. The movement of boats, trailers, and other equipment between waterbodies presents the risk of transporting invasive plants and animals and introducing them into new waters.

Quagga and zebra mussels are now established in some of the lakes and reservoirs that Oregon anglers travel to in Arizona, Nevada, and California where they are causing significant and costly damage. Several species of exotic and invasive aquatic plants and animals including Eurasian watermilfoil and the New Zealand mud snail are already found in Oregon waters where they affect the quality of fisheries and angling access and could be spread to other locations.

Oregon boaters are required to carry an Aquatic Invasive Species Program Permit (AISPP). For motorized boats, a valid Oregon Motorized Boat Registration sticker serves as your AISPP. Information about the permit and the AIS program can be found on the ODFW website at <https://myodfw.com/articles/buying-aquatic-invasive-species-prevention-permit> or on the Oregon State Marine Board website at <http://www.oregon.gov/OSMB/boater-info/Pages/Aquatic-Invasive-Species-Program.aspx>.

Tournament sponsors can help by ensuring all participating boats are clean and event anglers are doing their part to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species. For information on how to receive boat inspection training or to have AIS program staff present at your event, please contact the ODFW Invasive Species Coordinator at 503-947-6308 or via email at Keith.B.DEHART@odfw.oregon.gov



STOP OREGON'S INVADERS!

Protect Oregon's Waterways

STATE LAW requires all watercraft 10' long and longer to possess an Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Permit.

STATE LAW prohibits launching a boat with ANY aquatic species on the hull, motor, trailer or any other exterior surface.

Always Inspect and Clean these Areas

Diagram labels: Vehicle, Hull, Trailer, Axle, Rollers/Bunks, Motor/Propeller, Dock Lines, Storage, Anchor, Live Wells, Bilge.

CLEAN all aquatic plants, animals and mud from your vehicle, boat, motor or trailer and discard in the trash. Rinse, scrub or pressure wash, as appropriate away from storm drains, ditches or waterways.

DRAIN livewell, bilge and all internal compartments.

DRY your boat between uses if possible. Leave compartments open and sponge out standing water.

Clean Boats Protect Clean Waterways

To report invasive species call 1-866-INVADER (468-2337)
Or report at www.oregoninvasiveshotline.org
For more information visit www.boatorregon.com

INVASIVE SPECIES IN OREGON

- EURASIAN WATERMILFOIL (*Elodea canadensis*)
- NEW ZEALAND MUDSNAILS (*Potamopyrgus antipodensis*)

INVASIVE SPECIES NEAR OUR BORDERS

- HYDRILLA (*Hydrilla verticillata*)
- ZEBRA / QUAGGA MUSSELS (*Dreissena* spp.)

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Table 1. The maximum number of large tournaments (more than 24 boats or 49 anglers) that can be held annually on waters in Oregon and the maximum number of participating boats allowed.

Waterbody by Size (surface area at full pool)	
Less than 900 acres Devils Lake	No open tournaments permitted
900 to 1,500 acres Bully Creek Reservoir Cottage Grove Reservoir Hyatt Reservoir McKay Reservoir North Tenmile Lake Phillips Reservoir	4 tournaments permitted per year; 50 boat limit
1,501 to 5,000 acres Crane Prairie Reservoir Dorena Reservoir Fall Creek Reservoir Green Peter Reservoir Hells Canyon Reservoir Hills Creek Reservoir Howard Prairie Reservoir Lake Billy Chinook Lost Creek Reservoir North and South Tenmile Lakes (combined) Prineville Reservoir Siltcoos Lake South Tenmile Lake (Tenmile Lake) Tahkenitch Lake Warm Springs Reservoir	6 tournaments permitted per year; 75 boat limit
Larger than 5,000 Acres Brownlee Reservoir Fern Ridge Reservoir Owyhee Reservoir Wickiup Reservoir Columbia River below Bonneville Dam (includes tournaments launched on Lower Willamette R) Columbia River – Bonneville Pool Columbia River - The Dalles Pool (Lake Celilo) Columbia River - John Day Pool (Lake Umatilla) Columbia River - McNary Pool (Lake Wallula)	8 tournaments per year; no boat limit

Table 2. List by Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations Zone and waterbody of ODFW staff to contact before holding a small fishing tournament (fewer than 25 boats or 50 anglers).

Regulations Zone	Waterbody	ODFW Fish Biologist	ODFW Office	ODFW Phone	ODFW Mailing Address
Northwest	Cullaby Lake	North Coast	Tillamook	(503) 842-2741	4907 Third St, Tillamook OR 97141
	Devils Lake	Mid Coast	Newport	(541) 265-8306	810 SW Alder St, Unit C, Newport OR 97365
	Mercer Lake	Mid Coast	Newport	(541) 265-8306	810 SW Alder St, Unit C, Newport OR 97365
	Siltcoos Lake	Mid Coast	Newport	(541) 265-8306	810 SW Alder St, Unit C, Newport OR 97365
	Tahkenitch Lake	Mid Coast	Newport	(541) 265-8306	810 SW Alder St, Unit C, Newport OR 97365
	Triangle Lake	Mid Coast	Newport	(541) 265-8306	810 SW Alder St, Unit C, Newport OR 97365
	Woahink Lake	Mid Coast	Newport	(541) 265-8306	810 SW Alder St, Unit C, Newport OR 97365
Southwest	Applegate Reservoir	Upper Rogue	Central Point	(541) 826-8774	1495 East Gregory Rd, Central Point OR 97502
	Ben Irving Reservoir	Umpqua	Roseburg	(541) 440-3353	4192 N Umpqua Hwy, Roseburg OR 97470
	Cooper Creek Reservoir	Umpqua	Roseburg	(541) 440-3353	4192 N Umpqua Hwy, Roseburg OR 97470
	Eel Lake	Coos-Coquille	Charleston	(541) 888-5515	PO Box 5003 63538 Boat Basin Dr, Charleston OR 97420
	Emigrant Reservoir	Upper Rogue	Central Point	(541) 826-8774	1495 East Gregory Rd, Central Point OR 97502
	Galesville Reservoir	Umpqua	Roseburg	(541) 440-3353	4192 N Umpqua Hwy, Roseburg OR 97470
	Garrison Lake	South Coast	Gold Beach	(541) 247-7605	PO Box 642 29907 Airport Way, Gold Beach OR 97444
	Howard Prairie Reservoir	Upper Rogue	Central Point	(541) 826-8774	1495 East Gregory Rd, Central Point OR 97502
	Hyatt Reservoir	Upper Rogue	Central Point	(541) 826-8774	1495 East Gregory Rd, Central Point OR 97502
	Loon Lake	Umpqua	Roseburg	(541) 440-3353	4192 N Umpqua Hwy, Roseburg OR 97470
	Lost Creek Reservoir	Upper Rogue	Central Point	(541) 826-8774	1495 East Gregory Rd, Central Point OR 97502
	North Tenmile Lake	Coos-Coquille	Charleston	(541) 888-5515	PO Box 5003 63538 Boat Basin Dr, Charleston OR 97420
	South Tenmile Lake	Coos-Coquille	Charleston	(541) 888-5515	PO Box 5003 63538 Boat Basin Dr, Charleston OR 97420
	Umpqua River (lower)	Umpqua	Roseburg	(541) 440-3353	4192 N Umpqua Hwy, Roseburg OR 97470
Willamette	Cottage Grove Reservoir	Upper Willamette	Springfield	(541) 726-3515	3150 E Main St, Springfield OR 97478-5800
	Dorena Reservoir	Upper Willamette	Springfield	(541) 726-3515	3150 E Main St, Springfield OR 97478-5800
	Fall Creek Reservoir	Upper Willamette	Springfield	(541) 726-3515	3150 E Main St, Springfield OR 97478-5800
	Fern Ridge Reservoir	Mid Willamette	Corvallis	(541) 757-4186	7118 NE Vandenberg Ave, Corvallis OR 97330-9446
	Foster Reservoir	Mid Willamette	Corvallis	(541) 757-4186	7118 NE Vandenberg Ave, Corvallis OR 97330-9446
	Green Peter Reservoir	Mid Willamette	Corvallis	(541) 757-4186	7118 NE Vandenberg Ave, Corvallis OR 97330-9446
	Henry Hagg Lake	Lower Willamette West	Clackamas	(971) 673-6000	17330 SE Evelyn St, Clackamas OR 97015
	Hills Creek Reservoir	Upper Willamette	Springfield	(541) 726-3515	3150 E Main St, Springfield OR 97478-5800
	Lookout Point Reservoir	Upper Willamette	Springfield	(541) 726-3515	3150 E Main St, Springfield OR 97478-5800
	Willamette River (lower)	Lower Willamette East	Clackamas	(971) 673-6000	17330 SE Evelyn St, Clackamas OR 97015
	Willamette River (upper)	Mid Willamette	Corvallis	(541) 757-4186	7118 NE Vandenberg Ave, Corvallis OR 97330-9446

Table 2(cont). List by Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations Zone and waterbody of ODFW staff to contact before holding a small fishing tournament (fewer than 25 boats or 50 anglers).

Regulations Zone	Waterbody	ODFW Fish Biologist	ODFW Office	ODFW Phone	ODFW Mailing Address
Central	Crane Prairie Reservoir	Deschutes	Bend	(541) 388-6363	61374 Parrell Rd, Bend OR 97702
	Haystack Reservoir	Deschutes	Bend	(541) 388-6363	61374 Parrell Rd, Bend OR 97702
	Lake Billy Chinook	Deschutes	Bend	(541) 388-6363	61374 Parrell Rd, Bend OR 97702
	Prineville Reservoir	Deschutes	Bend	(541) 388-6363	61374 Parrell Rd, Bend OR 97702
	Wickiup Reservoir	Deschutes	Bend	(541) 388-6363	61374 Parrell Rd, Bend OR 97702
Northeast	McKay Reservoir	Umatilla	Pendleton	(541) 276-2344	73471 Mytinger Lane, Pendleton OR 97801
	Willow Creek Reservoir	Umatilla	Pendleton	(541) 276-2344	73471 Mytinger Lane, Pendleton OR 97801
Southeast	Bully Creek Reservoir	Malheur	Hines	(541) 573-6582	PO Box 8, Hines, OR 97738
	Gerber Reservoir	Klamath	Klamath Falls	(541) 883-5732	1850 Miller Island Rd., Klamath Falls OR 97603
	Lake of the Woods	Klamath	Klamath Falls	(541) 883-5732	1850 Miller Island Rd., Klamath Falls OR 97603
	Owyhee Reservoir	Malheur	Hines	(541) 573-6582	PO Box 8, Hines, OR 97738
	Phillips Reservoir	La Grande	LaGrande	(541) 963-2138	107 20 th St, La Grande OR 97850
	Thief Valley Reservoir	La Grande	LaGrande	(541) 963-2138	107 20 th St, La Grande OR 97850
	Warm Spring Reservoir	Malheur	Hines	(541) 388-6363	PO Box 8, Hines, OR 97738
	Unity Reservoir	La Grande	LaGrande	(541) 963-2138	107 20 th St, La Grande OR 97850
	Willow Valley Reservoir	Klamath	Klamath Falls	(541) 883-5732	1850 Miller Island Rd., Klamath Falls OR 97603
Snake R	Hells Canyon Reservoir	La Grande	La Grande	(541) 963-2138	107 20 th St, La Grande OR 97850
	Oxbow Reservoir	La Grande	La Grande	(541) 963-2138	107 20 th St, La Grande OR 97850
	Brownlee Reservoir	La Grande	La Grande	(541) 963-2138	107 20 th St, La Grande OR 97850
Columbia R	Col R (below Bonneville)	Lower Willamette East	Clackamas	(971) 673-6000	17330 SE Evelyn St, Clackamas OR 97015
	Col R – Bonneville Pool	Mid Columbia	The Dalles	(541) 967-6793	3561 Klindt Dr, The Dalles OR 97058
	Col R – The Dalles Pool	Mid Columbia	The Dalles	(541) 967-6793	3561 Klindt Dr, The Dalles OR 97058
	Col R – John Day Pool	Umatilla	Pendleton	(541) 276-2344	73471 Mytinger Lane, Pendleton OR 97801
	Col R – McNary Pool	Umatilla	Pendleton	(541) 276-2344	73471 Mytinger Lane, Pendleton OR 97801

Table 3. List by Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations Zone and waterbody of Oregon State Police (OSP) staff to contact before holding a small fishing tournament (fewer than 25 boats or 50 anglers).

Regulations Zone	Waterbody	OSP Region	OSP Contact	OSP Contact
Northwest	Cullaby Lake	Northwest	Lt. Luke Schwartz	Luther.schwartz@osp.oregon.gov
	Devils Lake	Central	Lt. Josh Nagle	Josh.nagle@osp.oregon.gov
	Mercer Lake	Central	Lt. Josh Nagle	Josh.nagle@osp.oregon.gov
	Siltcoos Lake	Central	Lt. Josh Nagle	Josh.nagle@osp.oregon.gov
	Tahkenitch Lake	Southwest	Lt. Davis Brimmer	David.brimmer@osp.oregon.gov
	Triangle Lake	Central	Lt. Josh Nagle	Josh.nagle@osp.oregon.gov
	Woahink Lake	Central	Lt. Josh Nagle	Josh.nagle@osp.oregon.gov
Southwest	Applegate Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. Davis Brimmer	David.brimmer@osp.oregon.gov
	Ben Irving Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. Davis Brimmer	David.brimmer@osp.oregon.gov
	Cooper Creek Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. Davis Brimmer	David.brimmer@osp.oregon.gov
	Eel Lake	Southwest	Lt. Davis Brimmer	David.brimmer@osp.oregon.gov
	Emigrant Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. Davis Brimmer	David.brimmer@osp.oregon.gov
	Galesville Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. Davis Brimmer	David.brimmer@osp.oregon.gov
	Garrison Lake	Southwest	Lt. Davis Brimmer	David.brimmer@osp.oregon.gov
	Howard Prairie Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. Davis Brimmer	David.brimmer@osp.oregon.gov
	Hyatt Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. Davis Brimmer	David.brimmer@osp.oregon.gov
	Loon Lake	Southwest	Lt. Davis Brimmer	David.brimmer@osp.oregon.gov
	Lost Creek Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. Davis Brimmer	David.brimmer@osp.oregon.gov
	North Tenmile Lake	Southwest	Lt. Davis Brimmer	David.brimmer@osp.oregon.gov
	South Tenmile Lake	Southwest	Lt. Davis Brimmer	David.brimmer@osp.oregon.gov
	Umpqua River (lower)	Southwest	Lt. Davis Brimmer	David.brimmer@osp.oregon.gov
Willamette	Cottage Grove Reservoir	Central	Lt. Josh Nagle	Josh.nagle@osp.oregon.gov
	Dorena Reservoir	Central	Lt. Josh Nagle	Josh.nagle@osp.oregon.gov
	Fall Creek Reservoir	Central	Lt. Josh Nagle	Josh.nagle@osp.oregon.gov
	Fern Ridge Reservoir	Central	Lt. Josh Nagle	Josh.nagle@osp.oregon.gov
	Foster Reservoir	Central	Lt. Josh Nagle	Josh.nagle@osp.oregon.gov
	Green Peter Reservoir	Central	Lt. Josh Nagle	Josh.nagle@osp.oregon.gov
	Henry Hagg Lake	Northwest	Lt. Luke Schwartz	Luther.schwartz@osp.oregon.gov
	Hills Creek Reservoir	Central	Lt. Josh Nagle	Josh.nagle@osp.oregon.gov
	Lookout Point Reservoir	Central	Lt. Josh Nagle	Josh.nagle@osp.oregon.gov
	Willamette River (downstream of Santiam River)	Northwest	Lt. Luke Schwartz	Luther.schwartz@osp.oregon.gov
	Willamette River (upstream of Santiam River)	Central	Lt. Josh Nagle	Josh.nagle@osp.oregon.gov

Table 3(cont). List by Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations Zone and waterbody of Oregon State Police (OSP) staff to contact before holding a small fishing tournament (fewer than 25 boats or 50 anglers).

Regulations Zone	Waterbody	OSP Region	OSP Contact	OSP Mailing Address
Central	Crane Prairie Reservoir	Central	Lt. Josh Nagle	Josh.nagle@osp.oregon.gov
	Haystack Reservoir	Central	Lt. Josh Nagle	Josh.nagle@osp.oregon.gov
	Lake Billy Chinook	Central	Lt. Josh Nagle	Josh.nagle@osp.oregon.gov
	Prineville Reservoir	Central	Lt. Josh Nagle	Josh.nagle@osp.oregon.gov
	Wickiup Reservoir	Central	Lt. Josh Nagle	Josh.nagle@osp.oregon.gov
Northeast	McKay Reservoir	East	Lt. Tim Schwartz	Tim.schwartz@osp.oregon.gov
	Willow Creek Reservoir	East	Lt. Tim Schwartz	Tim.schwartz@osp.oregon.gov
Southeast	Bully Creek Reservoir	East	Lt. Tim Schwartz	Tim.schwartz@osp.oregon.gov
	Gerber Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. Davis Brimmer	David.brimmer@osp.oregon.gov
	Lake of the Woods	Southwest	Lt. Davis Brimmer	David.brimmer@osp.oregon.gov
	Owyhee Reservoir	East	Lt. Tim Schwartz	Tim.schwartz@osp.oregon.gov
	Phillips Reservoir	East	Lt. Tim Schwartz	Tim.schwartz@osp.oregon.gov
	Thief Valley Reservoir	East	Lt. Tim Schwartz	Tim.schwartz@osp.oregon.gov
	Warm Spring Reservoir	East	Lt. Tim Schwartz	Tim.schwartz@osp.oregon.gov
	Unity Reservoir	East	Lt. Tim Schwartz	Tim.schwartz@osp.oregon.gov
	Willow Valley Reservoir	Southwest	Lt. Davis Brimmer	David.brimmer@osp.oregon.gov
Snake R	Hells Canyon Reservoir	East	Lt. Tim Schwartz	Tim.schwartz@osp.oregon.gov
	Oxbow Reservoir	East	Lt. Tim Schwartz	Tim.schwartz@osp.oregon.gov
	Brownlee Reservoir	East	Lt. Tim Schwartz	Tim.schwartz@osp.oregon.gov
Columbia R	Col R (below Bonneville)	Northwest	Lt. Luke Schwartz	Luther.schwartz@osp.oregon.gov
	Col R – Bonneville Pool	East	Lt. Tim Schwartz	Tim.schwartz@osp.oregon.gov
	Col R – The Dalles Pool	East	Lt. Tim Schwartz	Tim.schwartz@osp.oregon.gov
	Col R – John Day Pool	East	Lt. Tim Schwartz	Tim.schwartz@osp.oregon.gov
	Col R – McNary Pool	East	Lt. Tim Schwartz	Tim.schwartz@osp.oregon.gov

ODFW Bass Tournament Permit Process

Permit applications for large tournaments (more than 24 boats or 49 anglers) can be submitted online at <https://fwpubapps.dfw.state.or.us/ODFWPermitApp>.

Users new to the online system will first be asked to register by creating a new account. ODFW will then use the email address provided to notify applicants of the status of their application and, if they are successful, issue a PDF version of the Bass Tournament Permit. Applicants will also use the online system to submit the **\$121.50** permit fee and required post-event report.

Please remember that by Oregon Administrative Rule, applications must be submitted **at least 30 days** prior to the proposed event.

Bass Tournament Permit Application

This application must be submitted to ODFW by any sponsor wanting to host a large tournament (more than 24 boats or 49 participating anglers) at least 30 days prior to the proposed event.

Bass Tournament Report

A Bass Tournament Report must be submitted to ODFW **within 30 days** after the conclusion of a large or permitted event. Note that if the catch includes largemouth and smallmouth bass, the number and weight for each species must be recorded separately. Although a report is not required for a small or club event, sponsors are encouraged to submit tournament effort and catch information by contacting ODFW's Warmwater Fish Biologist for an electronic reporting form.

For any questions, please contact:

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