

Welcome to the



**\$5,000 General Scholarship First Place Prize!!
June 13th & 14th 2026 * Douglas Lake , TN**

USA BASSIN: The Next Generation is devoted to providing educational opportunities that help young people prepare for a brighter future in the form of scholarships.

The Next Generation Classic Registration & Pre-Tournament Meeting Site:



The Next Generation Classic Registration, Pre-Tournament Meeting, Field of Dreams Activity Center (1145 Treadway Dr, Dandridge, TN 37725) on Friday June 12th, 2026. Registration will start at 4:00pm with the Pre-Tournament Meeting starting at 6:00pm Eastern Time.

Field of Dreams Activity Center

1145 Treadway Dr, Dandridge, TN 37725

Check-in Times

Day 1 Check-in times		Day 2 Check-in times	
Boat No.	Check-in time	Boat No.	Check-in time
1-25	1:30pm	125-101	1:30pm
26-50	2:00pm	100-76	2:00pm
51-75	2:30pm	75-51	2:30pm
76-100	3:00pm	50-26	3:00pm
101-125	3:30pm	25-1	3:30pm

The USA BASSIN Next Generation Classic Tournament will start at 5:30 am each morning. Day 1 Take Off will start with boat number 1 and continue until all boats have been released. Day 2 Take Off will be by reverse order. Boat numbers will be given out based on when we receive your entry!!

Points to Remember!!!

- **Qualification:**
 - o All Next Generation Teams that finished the 2025 season with 100 or more points are eligible to fish the Next Generation Classic
 - o Licensed Guides currently guiding on Douglas Lake (2024-2026) are not eligible to participate in the Next Generation Classic.
 - o Any team/person that wins this event more than 3 times in a 10-year period will not be eligible to participate in the Next Generation Classic.
- **Dates:**
 - o The Lake will not be closed to pre-fishing.
 - o Official Practice Days will start May 15th, 2026 and remain open through the end of the Next Generation Classic
- **During the Official Practice Days teams may not use a Guide or communicate with anyone that is not fishing the Next Generation Classic to gain an advantage over the rest of the field.**
 - o **Registration & Pre Tournament Meeting:**
- **Registration for this event will be located at the Field of Dreams Activity Center (1145 Treadway Dr, Dandridge, TN 37725) starting at 4:00pm Friday, June 12th, 2024 with the pre tournament meeting to follow at 6:00pm. One member of the team must be present at the pre-tournament meeting or the team will be disqualified. You may use a proxy if you and your teammate are unable to attend. There will not be a fee for the use of a proxy during registration and the pre-tournament meeting.**
 - o **Tournament Days:**
 - Day 1: June 13th, 2025
 - Day 2: June 14th, 2025
- **Entering the Event:**
 - o The entry fee for this event is \$150.00
 - o All mailed-in entries must be postmarked by May 15th, 2026
 - o USA BASSIN will accept a VISA or Mastercard payment. (There will be a 7% Service Fee for paying with a credit card)
 - o USA BASSIN will accept a Classic entry at registration.
 - o Boat numbers will be given out based on when we receive your entry
- **Refunds:**
 - o If the Director is contacted before or on May 15th, 2026, USA BASSIN will only refund \$110.00.
 - o After May 15th, 2026, there will Not be a Refund of the Entry Fee.
 - o To receive your refund, please e-mail your mailing address along with the name of the event to: customerservice@usabassin.com.
- **Weather Delays and Cancellations:**
 - o In the event of extreme weather conditions such as Tornadoes, Tornado Warnings, Lightning, or a Small Watercraft Wind Advisory the tournament director will put the tournament on hold until all warnings expire, or the storms have passed, then and only then will we proceed with the tournament.
 - o Should the tournament be delayed due to weather and we decide to launch, the check in times will stand as posted.
 - o If the storms or warnings have not passed or expired prior to 10:00am, the director and staff will make the decision to cancel that day of fishing. o **Examples:**
 - If day 1 of this tournament is canceled, then we will repeat day 1 takeoff schedule on day 2 and it will be a one day shootout.
 - If day 2 of this tournament is canceled, then the leaders of day 1 will be crowned the winners.
 - If all tournament days are cancelled, then there will be a Lottery Draw for the \$5,000 Scholarship and \$110 of the entry fee will be refunded.

More Ways to Win Cash!!

Uncle Sam Bass Challenge

Here's how it works:

1. Entry into the Uncle Sam Bass Challenge is included with your Classic entry.
2. Drawing for Uncle Sam Bass Challenge, for this event will be broadcast on the [USA BASSIN Facebook Page](#) on July 1st, 2024.
3. How to know if you've won!!
 - a. All competitors in this month's challenge must go to the [USA BASSIN Facebook Page](#) to view the Broadcast to see if they matched the weight of Uncle Sam Bass.
 - b. You will have 72 hours from the broadcast to claim your weight.
 - c. To win you must match the exact weight of Uncle Sam Bass.
4. Click on the Uncle Sam Bass logo below for complete rules and the value of this month's Challenge



USA BASS Next Generation Classic Tournament Rules

1. USA BASSIN Next Generation Classic Tournament:

All Next Generation teams the finished the 2024-25 season with 100 or more points are eligible to participate in the Next Generation Classic. Winners of the Next Generation Classic will win a \$5000.00 Scholarship. The USA BASSIN Next Generation Classic will be held on Douglas Lake June 13th & 14th, 2026. Classic Entry is \$150.00, entry includes Big Bass Pot, a chance at catching Uncle Sam Bass. All mailed-in entries must be post marked by May 15th, 2026. USA BASSIN will accept a VISA or Master Card payment. USA BASSIN will accept a Classic entry at registration. There is a \$10.00 fee for paying an entry at registration. Entry fee may be refunded only if the Classic Director is notified by May 15th, 2026. Boat numbers will be given out based on when we receive your entry!!!

2. Registration:

The Registration, Pre-tournament meeting will be held Friday, June 12th, 2026 at the Field of Dreams Activity Center (1145 Treadway Dr, Dandridge, TN 37725). Registration will start at 4:00pm & the Pre-Tournament Meeting will start at 6:00pm. Failure to appear at the Pre-Tournament Meeting will result in a disqualification. Boat numbers will be given out based on when we receive your entry!!!

3. Weather Delays and Cancellation:

In the event of extreme weather conditions such as Tornados, Tornado Warnings or Lightning, the tournament director and staff will monitor the path of the storms and their length. The tournament will be put on hold until warnings expire or the storms have passed, then and only then will we proceed with this tournament. In the event that the storms or warnings have not passed or expired prior to 10:00am the director and staff will make the decision to cancel that day's of fishing. Should the tournament be delayed due to weather and we decide to launch, the check in times will stand as posted. Should both scheduled days of be canceled due to a weather related circumstances USA BASSIN will refund all entries.

4. Take Off:

The USA BASSIN Next Generation Classic Tournament will start at 5:30 am each morning. Day 1 Take Off will start with boat number #1 and continue until all boats have been released. Day 2 Take Off will be by reverse order.

5. Check-In:

Check-in will be done by flights. Each flight will consist of 50 boats. Each flight must Check-in before their Check-in time. Teams that don't check in by their check-in time will be disqualified and will not be permitted to weigh-in that day's catch.

6. Limits:

This is a five (5) fish limit per team or when fishing alone tournament. Anyone bringing in more than five (5) fish will have their sack culled to the five (5) fish limit starting with the big fish first. Teams may carry more than five (5) fish but all culling must be done on the water-- not on the bank.

7. Short Fish Penalties:

Only Largemouth, Smallmouth and Spotted Bass may be brought to weigh-in. All fish brought to weigh-in must be at least 12" long. Short fish will be culled from your sack and your largest fish will be culled from the remaining fish. The official measuring board of the USA BASSIN Next Generation Classic Tournament is the Gator Grip Golden Rule. A Golden Rule will be available at weigh-in as a courtesy board.

8. Live-well Inspection:

Boat must have a working live- well, either built into the boat or portable. Live-wells must have some type of pump or circulator to keep fish alive. All live-wells will be checked on the ramp before launching. Live-well Check will start at 5:00am each morning of the USA BASSIN Next Generation Classic.

9. Substitutes:

Substitutes are permitted at the USA BASSIN Next Generation Classic Tournament. Only the adult partner may be substituted by another family member.

10. Boat and Motor

Boats must have required Coast Guard Safety Equipment and must have a motor within the rating limits.

11. Pre-Fishing

The USA BASSIN Next Generation Classic Tournament will not be closed to pre-fishing.

12. Off-Limits:

All off-limits areas will be announced at the pre-tournament meeting. Teams may not fish closer than 50 yards to another competitor who is anchored with the trolling motor up unless given permission. If permission is given to one, then all may fish same water. Having a non-contestant sit on a hole for you shall be cause for disqualification. Any team fishing in the off-limits areas will have that day's weight disqualified from the tournament.

13. Weigh-in Bags:

Participants may only bring fish to the weigh-in station in a weigh-in bag provided by USA BASSIN.

14. Dead fish Penalty:

For each dead fish a 1/2-pound penalty will be deducted from your total weight. A dead fish will not be weighed-in as big fish. Fish that appears altered or mangled shall be the tournament director's decision to weigh or not to weigh the fish.

15. Life Preserver:

During the Next Generation Classic Tournament, contestants not wearing their life jackets zipped and secured when the combustion engine is running and in gear will have that day's weight disqualified from the tournament.

16. Ties:

Ties for big bass will split big bass pot. Ties for the Next Generation Classic Champions and all other place finishes will be broken by big bass.

17. No Live Bait:

Only artificial lures can be used at the Next Generation Classic Tournament. The use of pork rind is permitted.

18. No Trolling:

Trolling with the use of a combustible engine as a method of fishing is prohibited.

19. Sportsmanship:

All contestants are required to follow high standards of sportsmanship, courtesy and conservation. Drunkenness shall be cause for immediate disqualification. No alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs shall be allowed in the boats during the tournament hours extending through the close of the weigh-in.

20. Leaving Your Boat:

Competitors shall remain with their partners in the boat at all times during the tournament. Except in the event of sickness or brief excursions for "nature calling", a severe storm or other such hazards. If for any reason a team decides to leave the tournament waters early, competitors must contact the Classic Director, prior to leaving the tournament. If you have boat trouble, one member must remain with the disabled boat. The other team member may board another competitor's boat with that day's catch and bring fish to the weigh-in. Please contact the Classic Director prior to doing so.

21. Cheating:

Anyone caught cheating in the Next Generation Classic Tournament will be immediately barred from fishing any USA BASSIN event in the future. We reserve the right to have a random truth verification test performed at any time. You may not use a cell phone to gain an advantage over the rest of the competitors.

22. Protest:

All protest must be submitted in writing to the Classic director before the close of weigh-in. Verbal protest will not be accepted.

23. State Rules:

All state rules and regulations must be followed. Teams breaking a State Rule or Regulations will have that day's weight disqualified.

24. Insurance:

All members will carry liability insurance on any boat they might use during any of U.S.A. BASSIN Tournaments. Failure to do so or reporting false information will result in disqualification. Participants must have the company name and either policy number or the name of the agent binding the coverage on the membership form.

3. Refusal of Membership/Entry:

We reserve the right to refuse membership or entry into any of U.S.A. BASSIN Tournament.

4. Tournament Rules

All rules and regulations for all tournaments are subject to change at any time until the start of a tournament. Information given orally or printed on any publications, including but not limited to information on USA BASSIN'S website and flyers may not accurately represent the rules that will be used at the tournament and are merely indications of what USA BASSIN expects the rules to be. For the most current version of the rules, visit the USA BASSIN website or call the tournament director.

Next Generation Classic Director:

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USA BASSIN Next Generation Classic Entry Form

Name: _____ Partner Name: _____
Address: _____ Address: _____
City: _____ City: _____
State: _____ ZIP: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
Cell Phone _____ Cell Phone _____
2025 Team No. _____

Liability Release: In signing this agreement, I signify that I have read and understand all rules and I hereby release U.S.A. BASSIN Tournament Fishing Circuit, its officers, sponsors, agents, and employees, from any and all damages, claims, demands, cost, or expenses relating to injury of any persons or damage to any property which I may cause by reason of participating in or in connection with any U.S.A. BASSIN Tournament Fishing event.
Covenant Not To Sue and Waiver of Subrogation: I further agree that I will never sue U.S.A. BASSIN Tournament Fishing Circuit for damages on account of any injury damage that I suffer or cause whether known now or which may develop in the future in connection with this or any other U.S.A. BASSIN Tournament Fishing event. I expressly agree to indemnify and hold U.S.A. BASSIN Tournament Fishing Circuit harmless from any liability whatsoever, including court cost and attorney's fees arising with respect to such action. I understand that in waiving my rights to sue U.S.A. BASSIN Circuit, I am waiving the right to recovery from U.S.A. BASSIN Tournament Fishing Circuit of my insurance carrier for any claims they may pay on my behalf. I further understand that by signing this agreement, I waive any rights my heirs or relatives have or may have to sue U.S.A. BASSIN Tournament Fishing Circuit for liability.
Verification of liability insurance: I further state that I am a current member of U.S.A. BASSIN Tournament Fishing Circuit and that I maintain liability insurance on the boat I will use in any U.S.A. BASSIN Tournament Fishing event.
Construction: If this agreement and the release, covenant, and waivers contained herein are found by any court to be overly broad in any manner, I ask the court to interpret it as broadly as possible.
Reading and Understanding: I signify by my signature that I have read and understand the above agreement and all USA BASSIN Rules.

Signature _____ Signature: _____

Please Check Which Events You Are Paying For:

_____ Next Generation Classic \$150.00 \$ _____
(Entry Fee will included the Big Bass Pot, Chance at Uncle Sam Bass and Sales Tax)

Total Money Responsible For: \$ _____

Please Make Checks payable to USA BASSIN and Mail to:
USA BASSIN, P.O. Box 1126, Bedford, IN 47421



There will be a 7% service charge added to your entry fee for paying by Visa or Master Card.

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