

Green Bay Walleye Series Official Rules

1. Both anglers must be club members of the Green Bay Walleye Series to fish the event.
2. In order to qualify for NTC bids both anglers must be members of (TWF) The Walleye Federation.
3. Your memberships to Green Bay Walleye Series and TWF for NTC purposes must be paid prior to the fishing an event.
4. To be eligible for the side pot you must have your \$200 paid with your tournament registration.
5. Deadline to enter a tournament is 11:59 PM on the Monday before the scheduled tournament date. Entry fees and registration must be received by this time, not post marked. NO EXCEPTIONS
6. Team of the Year will be decided based on points awarded for each corresponding tournament fished (see point scoring table for details).
7. Team of the Year tie breaker will default to largest cumulative weight for the year. In the event we need a 2nd tie breaker we will go to largest weighed bag for the year. 3rd tie breaker is a coin toss.
8. No drinking of alcohol during tournament hours.
9. Weight will be determined by your best five walleyes on a length to weight ratio (see length to weight ratio table for details).
10. Fish must be measured on the bump board provided by the Green Bay Walleye Series. The fish's head must be facing to the left with the belly to the angler doing the measuring. A single photograph of the fish on the bump board clearly showing the nose touching the bump board and the length of the tail must be presented on each fish recorded in the FishDonkey app. There are to be no fingers placed in the gills or mouth of the fish. Any fingers in the gills or mouth of the fish will disqualify that fish. Once a clear picture has been taken of the fish on the bump board and the anglers feel good about the picture a hero shot of the opposite side of the fish must be taken on the next immediate picture. Finally, a release video clearly showing the fish being released back into the water must also be included.
11. Fish length is to be recorded on the Fish Donkey App along with photos of fish on bump board, hero shot, and release video of the fish. Fish recording will be to the next .25" on the app and score card. Example: 30" walleye on bump board is entered as 30.25 in the Fish Donkey App. Weights will be automatically calculated based off the length entered. Independent tournament officials will be reviewing and adjusting any incorrectly entered fish. Any pictures that are submitted showing fingers in the gills or the mouth of the fish will disqualify that fish.
12. There is no possession of fish as this is a catch and release tournament.
13. The entire Bay of Green Bay, Lake Michigan and tributaries up to the first dam are open waters to fish. The tournament committee can modify or place boundaries if deemed unsafe conditions at any point leading up to the scheduled start time of the tournament.
14. Anglers must possess a valid fishing license for the state and waters they are going to fish.
15. Tournament will be held on Sunday's and fishing hours shall run from 7:00AM to 3:15PM (2 flights).
16. All state fishing regulations are applicable. In the event there is a conflict between state regulations and GBWS rules, the more restrictive rule or regulation will be used.

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17. Boats 1 to 15 minutes late for weigh in will be assessed a penalty equivalent to 1lb per minute late up to 15 minutes. After 15 minutes late you lose all weight for the tournament and receive a goose egg for points in TOY standings.
18. Anglers must wear a USCG approved PFD while the main engine is operating above idle speed.
19. All boats must check in with the tournament officials before 6:30AM.
20. There will be a rules meeting at 6:30AM. One team member must be present for the meeting.
21. If you have boat problems, must leave the event early, or any other problems during the tournament hours please contact the tournament director or another club boat to let them know the situation.
22. If a problem occurs on the water, another boat may bring your score card to the weigh in along with one member from the other team. This must be the member who has the registered fish via the Fish Donkey App.
23. The tournament committee has final say on all other issues that may occur during the event. This will be a vote system and majority rules. The committee is made up of 5 randomly selected individuals and will be designated at each individual tournament.
24. You are allowed a sub for a tournament. However if you have a sub in a tournament points accumulated for that tournament will not be eligible for TOY points standings. ***An angler can fish a tournament alone and accumulate points for TOY. In the event that someone is going to fish a tournament alone with advance notice we can secure a camera person to ride along with the fisherman for the purpose of assisting in the recording of fish only. The camera person is not allowed to fish or assist in the act of netting fish, setting lines, etc.
25. In the event you are going to use a sub you must designate this sub at the beginning of the year and must pay their Green Bay Walleye Series club fee prior to fishing the teams first tournament of the year.
26. In the event of a cancellation of a tournament due to weather we will be carrying over and rolling entry fees into a side pot for the championship. All teams will be awarded the same points for TOY. A team at time of registration can elect to have their entry refunded less processing fees but by doing so will not be eligible to fish the championship tournament. This allows for a team only fishing 1 event to receive their money back in the event of a cancellation.
27. Per Green Bay Walleye Series and TWF rules if you win an NTC bid and one team member is unable to fish the NTC you are allowed to have a sub as long as the sub was a Green Bay Walleye Series member and TWF member during the 2018 season.
28. Each team is only allowed 1 NTC spot through the Green Bay Walleye Series. In the event a winning team is awarded a spot through the Cabela's points and you win a side pot event your Cabela's points NTC bid will fall to the next available team in the standings (this is being done to prevent a team from winning multiple NTC bids and providing them to friends who may not have qualified or fished in the Green Bay Walleye Series).

Violation of these rules during an event will amount to disqualification and forfeiture of all accumulated points for the season.