Little Walnut Creek Conservancy District

PO Box 543, Greencastle, IN 46135

Mission Statement

Our Mission is to increase the safety and enjoyment for all the various users of the lake and protect and preserve our natural resources for future generations to enjoy.

Regulations and Policies in effect for the 2025 Tournament Season

Policies apply to: Any group, organization or individual planning on holding a fishing tournament at Glenn Flint Lake is subject to the tournament application regardless of number of participants or type of event.

Application Process: There will be an annual "Live" tournament date drawing event conducted in February each year for the following fishing tournament season. Applications may also be made by mail. In person applications have preference over mailed in applications. Mailed in applications will be processed based on the order received and the availability of the date/dates requested. Mailed applications will not be considered before the "Live" tournament date drawing event.

Live Date Draw Event: The in-person applications (complete application form) will begin with a drawing to determine the selection order of each participant. During each round of the drawing participants may select one (1) tournament date. After round one (1) participants interested in only one tournament date will have their dates confirmed and may see the cashier to make the appropriate payment. A non-refundable registration fee of \$25.00 (twenty-five dollars) per event is required at the time of tournament date approval. The registration fee may be waived for charity events. Please provide the charity name and the % of tournament proceeds to be donated. The tournament registration fee does not include the daily/annual launch fee payable at the automated pay station.

Additional rounds will be conducted until all participants have selected all the tournament dates they need. Completed applications and appropriate fees are required for each date requested. Photocopies of application forms are acceptable.

Mail in Applications: You may mail in a completed tournament permit application. The date requested will be reviewed and approved if the date is available and confirmation will be sent either by US postal Service or Email. If the date requested falls on a date that is unavailable a District Official will contact you and review available dates until a date is selected. If there are no acceptable dates available your check will be returned. Please send \$25 check or money order and completed application to: Fishing Tournament Permit Applications, PO Box 543, Greencastle, IN 46135.

Tournament Guidelines: Tournaments may involve a maximum of twenty-five (25) boats. There is no minimum boat requirement. Organizers of an Open Tournament must inform their participants that there is a twenty-five (25) boat limit.

One (1) Day Tournament and one (1) Night Tournament may be scheduled per day as long as there is a two (2) hour separation between tournament start and finish times to allow time for weigh-in and conclusion of one tournament before the arrival and check-in of the next tournament. Each tournament is limited to 8 hours. Generally, the day tournaments will begin at the published sunrise time for that day.

No fishing tournament permits will be issued for Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day weekends. (Saturday, Sunday & Monday) The holiday weekend will be determined by District Officials depending on the day of the week the holiday falls on. Additional dates may be blocked to provide tournament free dates for other users of the lake.

Tournament Check-in and Tournament Weigh-in: Check-in and Weigh-ins will be conducted at the picnic shelter with picnic table south of the boat ramp. Participants weighing-in fish may choose to dock their boat and weigh-in from the water or trailer their boat and bring fish to be weighed. To reduce stress on the fish, avoid lines at the weigh-in. Participants without fish to weigh-in should trailer their boat. Tournament organizers will provide scales. There is an AC power outlet near the flagpole if needed. No weigh-ins will be conducted in the parking lot. No off-site weigh-ins.

No "Blast Off" or "Shot Gun" starts. A starter boat will call the launch order one boat at a time.

All boats must have a properly functioning live-well large enough to support a limit of fish. See "Fish care 101" for more information on fish handling and care.

All fishing tournaments are "Catch and Release"

Tournament results forms must be completed after each tournament and turned in at the courtesy drop box at office building prior to exiting the park or mailed in within 15 days to: **Fishing Tournament Results, PO Box 543, Greencastle, IN 46135.**

Fishing and Boating regulations: All Indiana Fishing and Boating regulations apply and will be enforced by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources and Indiana Conservation Officers.

Code of Conduct:

Do not block the road or launch ramp when preparing to launch a boat or leave the launch area.

Glenn Flint Lake does have areas with a speed limit and all boats should be operated at a speed that is safe for the conditions. Idle speed only is permitted in the bay area directly beyond the boat launch ramp. Idle speed means the slowest possible speed, not exceeding five miles per hour, to maintain steerage and the wake is minimal. No boater shall come within 200' of shoreline at a speed greater than idle speed.

Be courteous when passing anchored boats. Reduce speed to an idle if passing within 50 feet. Do not pass between the bank and a boat fishing that bank

Summary of methods implemented to achieve enforcement.

#1 Communicate the rules, expectations and need for cooperation thoroughly through email, meetings and websites like Big Indiana Bass.

#2 District officials will develop a relationship with the organizer of each group conducting a fishing tournament. Monitor launch time and weigh-in of the authorized organization. The authorized organization is to report suspected un-unauthorized tournament activity by calling the Lake Area Manager on duty. District officials will investigate the report and act accordingly.

#3 The action taken by the Lake Area Manager on duty will be progressive not punitive based on the cooperation of the organization or individuals conducting and unauthorized tournaments. Attempts at off-site weigh-ins will be closely monitored with the cooperation of residents and businesses.

#4 As a last resort the IDNR Conservation Officer or Putnam County Sheriff will be called to resolve any disputes for non-compliance.

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