



2024 Midwest College Shootout

Presented by the
Wisconsin Fishing Team
on

September 28th, 2024 on the Madison chain

\$100 per boat



It is required for each tournament participant to read through the entirety of the tournament itinerary, especially the rules and regulations. Any questions can be directed to tournament director **Jacob Wegner** at (414)-294-9205 or jdwegner@wisc.edu

Date and Location

- Date → September 28th, 2024
- Launch and Weigh in → Olin Park Boat Launch - 302 E Lakeside St, Madison, WI 53715
- Lakes → Lake Monona, Lake Waubesa, and Upper Mud Lake
- Tournament times → **7:00am - 3:00pm** Saturday
- Lake Kegonsa and Lake Mendota are off-limits.
 - The Yahara River from the outlet of Lake Monona downstream to the US HWY 12 bridge, tournament anglers are restricted from fishing in this area.
 - Heading into the Yahara River from Lake Monona towards Mud Lake and Lake Waubesa, starting at the first no wake buoy to the US HWY 12 bridge, all water is off-limits.

Registration and Pre-Tournament Meeting

- **\$100 (mandatory) entry fee per boat**
- **\$10 (optional) big bass side pot per person**(awarded to heaviest bass in tournament)
- Check team Instagram [@wisconsinfishingteam](https://www.instagram.com/wisconsinfishingteam) for registration info, or contact tournament director listed on this flier
- Pre Tournament Meeting → 6:30 am at Olin Boat Launch
- Registration opens 6:00 am for those who did not register online
- Pre-registration QR code and link can be found at top of this document

Rules and Regulations

- The following rules will apply to the tournament and remain unchanged throughout the event unless State or local laws are in conflict. The interpretation and enforcement of rules will be left to the Tournament Committee. In the event of a rule violation, the Tournament Committee will take appropriate action, and all matters are final.
1. **Scoring:** Tournament standings will be determined by total weight of a boat's catch. The total fish per boat brought to weigh in can be no more than five largemouth and/or smallmouth bass, each with a minimum length of 14 inches. Fish will be measured on a Golden Rule bump board with the mouth closed and tail fanned and/or pinched to the longest position. Any dead bass presented for weigh-in will result in a penalty of 12 oz, or 0.75 lbs, deducted from the total catch weight. Any competitor weighing in a fish shorter than 14 inches will be disqualified. Any competitor not back at the official checkpoint by the designated time will be disqualified, regardless of excuse. Late is late. A tie for total weight will be decided by the biggest bass. If a tie still remains, the tie will be decided by the number of fish.
 2. **Permitted Fishing Locations and Times:** Tournament waters will include the following lakes: Monona, Waubesa, Upper Mud, and Mendota. Competitors cannot leave their boat for any circumstances unless it is at the official weigh-in location (Olin Park). There are no specified practice dates or cut-off times. Competitors are welcome to pre-fish any time before the beginning of the tournament.
 3. **Boat and Motor:** All boats must be at least 14 feet in length and meet Coast Guard requirements. There is no horsepower restriction. All boats must have a kill switch in working order and a functioning, aerated livewell or cooler of adequate size. A kill switch and livewell check will take place prior to takeoff.
 4. **Boating Conduct:** Boating safety must be observed at all times by competitors. Each competitor is required to wear a Coast Guard approved life vest at all times the outboard is operating. The vest is to be strapped, snapped, or zippered. Violation will be immediate disqualification. A kill switch attached to the life vest while the boat is operating is required.
 5. **Sportsmanship:** All competitors are expected to follow high standards of sportsmanship, safety, and conservation. Any observed infraction(s) will

result in disqualification. Fishing is not permitted within 100 feet of another competitor's boat during tournament hours.

6. **Tackle and Equipment:** All fish must be caught in a conventional sporting manner. Trolling as a method of fishing is prohibited. Only one rod may be used at a time per angler. Only artificial lures may be used, with the exception of pork rinds.
7. **Official Checkpoint and Meeting:** All competitors must attend the pre-tournament meeting at 6:30am, take-off at 7:00am, and weigh-in at 3:00pm at Olin Park Boat Launch.
8. **Alcohol and Drugs:** No alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs will be tolerated in the boat during tournament hours.
9. **Protests:** A protest or complaint may be filed in writing before the weigh-in scales close. The situation will be given consideration and ruled on by the Tournament Committee. All decisions will be final.
10. **Launch Fees:** Anglers are responsible for any and all applicable launch fees on the dates of the tournament. Launch fees are estimated at \$8 per day.

The Wisconsin Fishing Team hopes to make this a successful and enjoyable event for all. We hope to have a great turnout from all colleges as well as from the Madison community. If you have any questions feel free to contact the Wisconsin Fishing Team tournament director, Jacob Wegner at (414)-294-9205 or jdwegner@wisc.edu