2016 Long Beach Island Simply Bassing Official Tournament Rules & Requirements 15th Annual Simply Bassing Spring Bass Surf Fishing Tournament

STARTS: Saturday, April 30th, 2016 @ 00:00:01 AMENDS: Saturday, June 25th 2016 @ 6:00:00 PMFEES: \$20 registration fee for all entrants

*PRIZES:	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place
	\$1000	\$500	\$300	\$200

***NOTE:** Prize amount is based on 100 entrants. If tournament has less than 100 entrants, the prizes will be adjusted accordingly based on the number of entrants less any tournament expense fees.

SIMPLY BASSING TOURNAMENT RULES & REQUIREMENTS:

- Register & Weigh-In Only at the Follow Participating Shops:
 - Bill's Surf & Tackle, Harvey Cedars 609.342.1372 (Fax:609.342.1372)
 - Captain's Quarters, Long Beach Twp 856.313.0562 (Fax:609.494.1067)
 - Fisherman's Headquarters, Ship Bottom 609.494.5739 (Fax:609.494.9271)
 - Jingle's Bait & Tackle, Beach Haven 609.492.2795 (Fax:609.492.2795)
 - Surf City Bait & Tackle, Surf City 609.494.2333 (Fax:609.494.4623)
- Entry fee is \$20 per angler.
- Striped Bass must be caught from the shores of Long Beach Island only; ocean, inlet, bay and jetties. Boat fishing is not permitted. Fish must be caught by means of rod and reel in accordance with NJ State and Federal regulations.
- To qualify, stripers must be a 32-inch minimum length.
- A contestant may only win one cash prize.
- From the time that a fish strikes or takes a bait or lure, only the angler may handle the rod reel and/or line.
- Weigh-in at participating shop only during regular store hours. Check with individual shops, hours may vary.
- To weigh in a fish, contestant MUST have the LBI Simply Bassing Tournament Registration Form which is received when signing up. No exceptions. Lost forms will require re-registering for the event at an additional fee of \$20.
- Fish size is based primarily on weight. Should two bass have identical weights, first the length then the girth will be considered. The final tie breaker will be date of catch with the earliest weigh-in time winning.
- Contestants agree to allow the tournament to take and use fish/angler photos for publicity purposes.
- Contestants must personally weigh in fish within 24-hours of catching it. However, on the last day of the tournament, Saturday June 25th at 12:00:00 PM Noon the tournament will end. All anglers must leave the beach with enough time to be at a weigh-in station before this deadline. *Exception: Should there be a line at a weigh-in station then fish will still qualify if the angler is present at the weigh-in station scale before the deadline.
- The tournament standings (leader board) will be posted online at www.LBIFT.com.
- Neither beach conditions nor beach access are guaranteed by Tournament Committee. No Refunds.
- The Tournament Committee will review all signed protests. Anonymous protests will not be considered.
- Weigh Masters have the right to cut open or mark a fish after it has been weighed and may hold a fish for inspection.
- All contestants must register for the tournament prior to fish being caught and submitting their catch. By registering for this tournament the angler acknowledges that they know, understand, and agree to follow and abide by these RULES & REQUIREMENTS. Any contestant may be required to submit to a polygraph test by the Tournament Committee. This test must be completed within 15-days of the request without any reservations by the contestant. Failure to submit would automatically eliminate the said contestant and their catch from the tournament making them ineligible for any prizes plus forfeiture of any sign-up fees. The Tournament committee has the right to eliminate any Striper that they deem as taken in violation of the RULES & REQUIREMENTS.
- All Tournament Committee decisions are final.

BEST OF LUCK FISHING!!!

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