



# Virginia Beach Anglers Club

## Bylaws & Appendixes

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## I. Name of Organization

The name of the corporation is Virginia Beach Anglers Club, Incorporated.

## II. Purpose

### A. Nonprofit

Virginia Beach Anglers Club is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, religious and scientific purposes, under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

### B. Specific

1. To encourage sport fishing, both freshwater and saltwater, while supporting prudent governmental and other policies that promote the preservation, conservation and ecology of all marine life.
2. Monitor legislative and regulatory activities relating to management of local and regional fisheries and participating actively, where appropriate, to ensure the adoption of sound management policy and practices that best serve the interests of VBAC members.
3. Educate members and others in the techniques of sport fishing to enhance their enjoyment of the sport.
4. Create youth interest in sport fishing by supporting youth fishing activities and programs.
5. Promote interest and participation in recreational and competitive angling by conducting programs and activities that encourage sport fishing.
6. Conduct social activities that create a wholesome climate for deriving the maximum pleasure from sport fishing by members, their families and guests.
7. Plan and conduct fund-raising activities to provide the revenues needed to support the above objectives.

## III. Membership

### A. Eligibility

1. Any person subscribing to the purpose and objectives of the VBAC as described in Article II, is eligible for membership.
2. Membership is granted after completion and receipt of a membership application and annual dues.

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## B. Code of Conduct

The following code of conduct outlines the principles and behaviors that we expect from all members and their guests. Remember, for many in the public, your behavior represents all anglers.

1. Respect for others
  - a) Treat all members, officials, and the public with respect and courtesy.
  - b) Avoid behavior that may be considered harassment, bullying, or intimidation.
  - c) Do not discriminate against an individual for any reason, whether it be sex, race, marital status, age, disability, occupation, religion or belief.
2. Safety and Responsibility
  - a) Always follow safety guidelines.
  - b) Read and familiarize yourself with the VBAC Bylaws.
  - c) Follow state and local regulations and obtain permission when required.
3. Environmental Awareness
  - a) Respect the environment and wildlife in and around our fishing spots by doing minimal damage and/or disturbance to the habitat or ecosystem.
  - b) Avoid littering and remove old tackle. Leave it cleaner than you found it.
  - c) Report a wildlife violation to the DWR Wildlife Crime Line 800-237-5712.
4. Sportsmanship
  - a) Do not bring VBAC into disrepute either verbally or digitally and adhere to the principles of fair play and good sportsmanship.
  - b) Report any rules infractions or cheating to the club immediately.
  - c) Respect the decisions of club officials and tournament organizers.
5. Membership Responsibilities
  - a) Attend club meetings and participate in club activities.
  - b) Pay dues and fees on time and treat club property and equipment with care and respect.
  - c) Recognize and understand how to report any safeguarding concerns relating to children, young people and adults at risk.

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## 6. Officers & Board Members

- a) Agree to always represent the best interests of the club and not represent any other interest/matter that may be contrary to the best interests of VBAC and the sport of angling.
- b) Abide by all resolutions democratically agreed by the Board.
- c) Outside of Board meetings the members will support any motion or decision properly discussed and voted on in the meeting, even if they were not in agreement with the decision. All members will be able to have a frank and meaningful discussion during the meeting, but once the democratic decision has been made the topic or motion cannot be raised again unless circumstances deem the decision was not in the best interest of the club. This does not exclude the members discussing or sharing their opinion or preference.
- d) No member may publicize any matter in the name of the club unless that member has been nominated the spokesman for the club. This should not prevent a member from expressing their own views at private meetings, but they must make it totally clear that these are personal views and will not necessarily be adopted by the Board.

## C. Types of Memberships

### 1. Family

- a) All family members residing in the same household, includes spouse and all dependent children through age seventeen (17).
- b) Dependent children over age seventeen (17), attending a school of higher learning, and still claiming their parent's residence as their own, and dependent upon the parents for their support will fall under the family membership classification.

### 2. Individual

- a) Membership shall include individual members eighteen (18) years of age or older.
- b) Children aged seventeen (17) and under may apply for an individual membership but they must be sponsored by an active member who is eighteen (18) years of age or older.

### 3. Life

- a) Those members who have distinguished themselves through exceptional service to the VBAC and who have been so designated and excused from further payment of dues by the Board of Directors.
- b) Entitled to all club rights and privileges.

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4. Honorary
  - a) People selected by the Board of Directors when it deems such people are worthy of this recognition.
  - b) Exempted from payment of dues and shall not have the power to vote. The list of honorary members shall be reviewed annually and approved by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

## D. Annual Dues

1. Individual members shall pay dues as determined by the Board of Directors.
2. For families wishing to have two votes for any club business, memberships shall be 1.5 times the cost of an individual membership.
3. Annual dues shall cover the period from January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>.
4. New members joining from October through the end of the year shall be considered paid for the following year.
5. Members with dues in arrears beyond the annual March business meeting shall be dropped from the rolls and therefore forfeit all rights and privileges of membership. Members may be reinstated upon payment of the current year's dues.

## E. Good Standing

Individual, Family, and Life Members who have paid their dues and are not in debt to the club, will be considered in good standing.

## F. Resignation

1. Any member may resign by filing a written resignation with the secretary.
2. Resignation shall not relieve a member of unpaid dues, or other charges previously accrued.

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## G. Discipline

### 1. Termination

- a) For cause and upon 14 days' notice, any member may be suspended or expelled. Sufficient cause for such suspension or termination of membership shall be violation of the bylaws or any lawful rule or practice duly adopted by the VBAC, or any other conduct prejudicial to its interests.
- b) When warranted, other disciplinary action may be prescribed in lieu of suspension or expulsion.
- c) Any disciplinary action shall be prescribed by a two-thirds vote of the entire membership of the Board of Directors.
- d) All rights, privileges and interests of a member shall cease on the termination of membership.

### 2. Appeals

- a) Any member suspended or expelled may appeal to the General Membership.
- b) Within seven days of receiving the Board's decision, a member shall notify the Board in writing of the decision to appeal to the General Membership.
- c) The appeal will be heard at the next regular membership meeting.
- d) At the membership meeting it should be the first item discussed on the agenda and in the following format:
  - (1) Each side will state their argument starting with the President.
  - (2) Each side may have one rebuttal statement.
  - (3) Ballot vote of the membership. The question on the ballot will be "I concur with the decision of the Board of Directors. Yes or No".
  - (4) A 2/3 majority is required to overturn the decision of the Board.
  - (5) If the decision is overturned, the suspension or expulsion will be considered null and void.



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## IV. Meetings

### A. Regular

Regular meetings of the membership shall be held on the first Thursday of each month.

### B. Board

1. The Board shall meet monthly, on the third Thursday of the month.
2. Special meetings of the Board may be called at the President's discretion or when the President is petitioned in writing by three or more members of the Board.
3. See Special Meeting requirements, Article IV. D, 2, 3, and 4.

### C. Annual

1. The regular December meeting shall be called the "Annual Meeting".
2. Officers and committee chairpersons shall make year-end reports to the membership.
3. Annual elections of officers and Board members shall be held.

### D. Special

1. May be called by the President or upon written request of any five members.
2. Only such business as described in the written request shall be transacted at a special meeting.
3. Seven (7) day notice should be given.
4. The minutes from the Special meeting shall be read at the next Regular meeting.

### E. Quorum

1. Fifteen voting members in good standing shall comprise a quorum for Regular, Annual, and Special meetings.
2. A majority of the membership of the Board shall constitute a quorum for Board meetings.

### F. Parliamentary Procedure

1. Any question concerning parliamentary procedure at meetings shall be determined by the President by reference to Robert's Rules of Order.

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2. All issues to be voted on shall be decided by a simple majority of those present at the meeting in which the vote takes place unless otherwise specified (e.g. (III.G.2d)(4)).

## V. Elections

### A. When

1. Annual election shall be held at the Annual meeting in December.
2. As needed to fill vacancies, decided by the BOD.

### B. Who

1. The election is for three (3) Board members (replacing the three (3) that have been on the Board for three (3) years) and five (5) Officers.
2. If other Board positions need to be filled, it should be stated who is running for which openings.

### C. How

1. The vote will be by secret ballot.
2. Unopposed positions may be elected by a motion on the floor.

### D. Nominations

1. The nomination period is opened at the October General Membership meeting and closed at the beginning of the Annual meeting.
2. Any member of Good Standing may be nominated.
3. Members may self-nominate.
4. Members may only accept a nomination for one position.
5. Nominees will be listed in the monthly newsletter.

### E. Votes

1. Each Individual, Life, and Family membership in good standing shall have one vote in all VBAC affairs brought to the membership for decision.
2. If the Family membership paid 1.5 times the annual dues, they shall have two votes in all VBAC affairs brought to the membership for decision.

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## VI. Board of Directors

### A. General Powers

The affairs of VBAC shall be managed by its Board of Directors, hereinafter referred to as the BOD. The BOD shall have control of and be responsible for the management of the affairs and property of VBAC.

### B. Number, Tenure, Requirements, and Qualifications

1. The BOD shall be comprised of the six (6) Officers described in Article VII and nine (9) Board members.
2. Board Members will serve three-year terms. The three (3) new members elected each year will replace the three members that have been on the Board for three (3) years.
3. The immediate past President shall serve as the Chairman of the Board of Directors.
  - a) The intent is to provide guidance and history for the BOD.
  - b) This is a honorary non-voting position, unless the BOD is tied. Then the Chairman may make the deciding vote.
4. Shall be a member in good standing.
5. Shall be 18 years of age or older.

### C. Vacancies

1. Whenever any vacancy occurs in the BOD it shall be temporarily filled by an individual selected and approved by a majority vote of the remaining members of the BOD at a Board meeting until an election is held.
2. If a position becomes vacant during the three-year term, an election will be held to fill the position for whatever time is left of the three-year term.

### D. Compensation

Members of the BOD shall not receive any compensation for their services as Directors.

### E. Removal.

1. Any member of the BOD may be removed with or without cause, at any time, by vote of three-quarters (3/4) of the members of the BOD if in their judgment the best interest of VBAC would be served thereby.

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2. No BOD member shall be expelled without an opportunity to be heard and notice of such a motion of expulsion shall be given to the member in writing fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting at which a motion shall be presented, setting forth the reasons of the Board for such expulsion.
3. Member may appeal per Section III, G, 2.

## VII. Officers

### A. President

1. Shall have general superintendence and direction of all other officers of VBAC and see that their duties are properly performed.
2. Preside at all meetings of the membership.
3. Appoint all standing and special committees described in Article VIII.
4. Serve as ex-officio member of all committees.
5. Represent VBAC at conferences, symposia and other meetings at which the VBAC is expected to be represented.
6. Prepare the agenda for the Board meeting.

### B. First Vice-President

1. In the event the President is unable to exercise his duties, assume the duties of President as described above.
2. Assist the President in conducting general membership or board meetings.
3. Serve as Membership Coordinator. As such maintain records to include name, type of membership, address, telephone number(s), e-mail address, boat name and current dues status.
4. Maintain list of member volunteers as submitted by committee chairs, for eligibility for participation in selection of club sponsored tournament teams.

### C. Second Vice-President

1. Assist the President and First Vice-president as instructed.
2. In the event the First Vice-President is unable to exercise his duties, assume the duties of the First Vice-president as described above.
3. Coordinate the activities of standing and special committees as directed by the President.
4. Coordinate and solicit nominations for the fall elections.
5. Serve as the VBAC Historian.

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## D. Recording Secretary

1. Attend and maintain a written record of all board and general membership proceedings.
2. Report the minutes at scheduled meetings of the board and membership.
3. Maintain Club documents to include By-Laws, Minutes (keep for seven (7) years), Agenda, etc.
4. Perform other such duties as required by the President or the Board.

## E. Corresponding Secretary

1. Compile, write and publish the VBAC newsletter, Tight Lines, forwarding it to the membership before each scheduled meeting.
2. Coordinate with the First Vice President the records required to forward the newsletter to the membership.
3. In the event the Recording Secretary is unable to exercise assigned duties, assume the duties of Recording Secretary as described above.
4. Assist the officers and board members with the preparation of other correspondence as may be required for the effective administration of the VBAC.
5. Maintain an updated Club Roster and make it available to members when requested.

## F. Treasurer

1. Serve as the chief financial officer of the VBAC and provide for the safekeeping and accounting of all VBAC funds. The VBAC funds shall be deposited in an account with a local bank. The President and Treasurer shall be authorized to withdraw funds from this account. The signature of either one of these officers is to be acceptable by the bank. Only one signature is required.
2. Collect and account for all dues, sales and tournament proceeds and such other funds that accrue to the VBAC.
3. Pay accounts payable by check after determining their accuracy and legitimacy.
4. Prepare an annual budget for Board approval by the end of January of each year.
5. The fiscal year shall coincide with the calendar year.
6. Prepare and deliver a written financial report at each board and membership meeting.

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7. In coordination with the President, arrange for an audit of the VBAC's accounts at least annually and as otherwise directed.
8. Prepare and file local, state and federal tax returns as required.
9. Act as the VBAC Registered Agent.
10. At no time shall only one member be listed on any financial account that VBAC owns.
11. The financial records of the organization are public information and shall be made available to the membership, board members, and the public.

## G. Line of Succession

The line of succession shall be President, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, and Board of Directors (year elected to the Board (current term), then years as a VBAC Member).

## H. Vacancies

1. If an Officer's Post becomes vacant, the next Member in the Line of Succession shall assume those duties until a temporary appointment is made.
2. The President shall appoint a member in Good Standing to fill that position (except Treasurer) until a General Membership election can be held.
  - a) If the President is the vacancy, the 1<sup>st</sup> VP, shall become the President and the 2<sup>nd</sup> VP becomes the temporary 1<sup>st</sup> VP until a General Membership election can be held for the 1<sup>st</sup> VP position. (The intent is to never have a President that was not elected by the General Membership.)
  - b) The 1<sup>st</sup> VP will finish out the partial term as President and then complete the full term.
  - c) If the Treasurer is the vacancy, the senior Board Member shall assume those duties, including account access, until the position is filled by an election of the General Membership.
3. The membership shall be notified of the vacancy and appointment as soon as possible.

## I. Terms of Office

1. Each officer position is for one year.
2. The President's position will be filled by the previous year's 1<sup>st</sup> VP.
3. The election for all Officers, except the President, and the three (3) Board members will be held at the Annual meeting in December.

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4. The term of office will run from January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>. (This allows left seat, right seat turnover and to change who's on the bank accounts.)

## VIII. Committees

### A. Responsibilities

1. The President, with assistance from the Board, shall appoint standing and special committees as required for the efficient administration of the VBAC.
2. Standing and Special Committees will be chaired by current board members whenever possible.
3. Standing committees shall include Audit, Nominating, Ways and Means, Tournament, Public Relations, Prize Fish Program, Surf Fishing and Special Events.
4. Special committees shall be appointed as needed to respond to the specific needs of the VBAC.
5. Committee chairs shall maintain and report (to the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President) the names of club member volunteers who worked committee functions.

### B. Standing Committees

1. Ways and Means
  - a) Plan and conduct fund raising activities, including advertising, trophy sponsors, raffles, merchandise sales and other activities to raise revenue.
  - b) Prepare and submit to the Treasurer a written financial report, including documentation of receipts and expenditures, for each fund-raising activity.
2. Tournament
  - a) Plan and conduct all VBAC tournaments.
  - b) Coordinate Surf and Boat Team entries.
  - c) Update rules and procurement of promotional materials and trophies.
  - d) Prepare and submit to the Treasurer a written financial report, including documentation of receipts and expenditures, for each tournament.
3. Public Relations
  - a) Prepare and implement communications programs to publicize the VBAC and its activities.

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- b) Coordinate social media and internet accounts (ie. Website, Facebook, Instagram, Etc.)
- 4. Prize Fish – shall plan and conduct the monthly and annual prize fish programs, assuring proper documentation of all prize fish entries.
- 5. Program – shall arrange for a speaker at the monthly membership meetings and other occasions.
- 6. Special Events – shall be responsible for such events as the annual awards banquet, oyster roast, Christmas party and participation in shows, as deemed appropriate by the Board.

## IX. Tournaments, Awards, & Prize Fish Program

### A. Tournaments

- 1. The VBAC shall sponsor a series of tournaments and give awards each year to encourage participation by members and others in sport fishing.
- 2. The list of Sponsored Tournaments, Awards, and participation in Team Sponsored Tournaments shall be reviewed annually and approved by a simple majority vote of the Board.

### B. Eligibility.

- 1. Shall be in good standing per Section III, D.
- 2. Participation
  - a) Shall have participated with the VBAC by helping with at least one club activity during the year prior to the day that the entry fee is required to be paid. (Suggested Activities – Club Officer, Club Board Member, Newsletter, Club Sponsored Tournaments, Club Adopt-A-Spot Clean-up, Awards Banquet, Boat Show, Oyster Roast, Meeting Refreshments, Raffles, Club Apparel Sales, etc.)
  - b) The person in charge of the activity will keep a record of who participates in the activity, but it is the Member's responsibility to make sure their name gets recorded with the person in charge. The 1<sup>st</sup> VP maintains the master list.
  - c) The President has discretion as to additional activities that count towards the participation requirement.

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## E. Boat Tournaments with Club Sponsored Teams

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## F. Prize Fish Program

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## X. Amendments

### A. Bylaws

1. May be amended, repealed or added to at any regular membership meeting with a two-thirds majority vote of the members present.
2. The vote may only occur after being discussed at two consecutive Regular Membership meetings.
3. The proposed amendment, repeal or addition shall be published in the VBAC newsletter after the first meeting and shall include the date, time, and location of the meeting where they will be voted on.

### B. Appendixes

1. May be amended with a simple majority vote of the Board of Directors.
2. The changes shall be published in the following months newsletter and discussed at the following months Membership Meeting.

## XI. Dissolution

A. The VBAC shall be dissolved upon a two-thirds vote of the membership and after adhering to Article XI.

B. Upon dissolution of the VBAC, any assets and resources lawfully available for distribution shall be distributed to one (1) of more qualifying organizations described in Section 501 (c)(3) of the 1986 Internal Revenue Code (or described in any corresponding provision of any successor statute) which organization(s) have a charitable purpose which, at least generally, includes a purpose similar to the dissolving corporation.

C. The organization to receive the assets of the VBAC hereunder shall be selected in the discretion of a majority of the managing body of the corporation.

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## ADOPTION OF BYLAWS

We, the undersigned, are all of the Officers of this corporation, and we consent to, and hereby do, adopt the foregoing Bylaws, consisting of the 17 preceding pages, as the Bylaws of this corporation.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by a majority vote of the general membership on the 1st day of May, 2025.

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Bob Burstein, President - VBAC

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Richard Califf, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

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Thomas Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

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Mike Anderson, Treasurer

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Russell Willoughby, Recording Secretary

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Lou Corigliano, Corresponding Secretary

# Amendments

Date Approved

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## *Club Sponsored Tournaments*

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### Club Sponsored Tournaments

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## Appendix A

### Club Sponsored Tournaments

#### I. Cobia

- A. Date: Normally held during the third or fourth weekend in June. The specific date is to be scheduled one year in advance to facilitate publication of the tournament date.
- B. Location: Determined by tournament chairperson.
- C. Species: Cobia
- D. Format: Open to the Public. There are no boat size restrictions. This is a one-day tournament emphasizing cobia as the target species. The Tournament Chairperson publishes the rules after review and approval by the Board of Directors.
- E. Prize:

#### II. Kayak

- A. Date: September or October
- B. Location: Local Tidewater area
- C. Species: TBD
- D. Format: Kayak only tournament open to the public. Catch Photo and Release format. Species and techniques to be determined by chairperson. A one-day tournament with rules and regulations announced with tournament information and at the captains' meeting.
- E. Prize:

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#### III. Lake Smith Crappie

- A. Date: Held in the spring in late March and/or fall in early December.
- B. Location: Lake Smith (shore and boat) and includes Little Creek Reservoir for boats only.
- C. Species: Crappie
- D. Format: Open to the public as well as club members. Anglers may fish from the shore or boat. Entry fees for adults and children and cash prizes are announced prior to tournament. Cash prizes awarded to top two winners upon completion of weigh-in the afternoon of the tournament.
- E. Prize:

#### IV. Rockfish Rodeo

- A. Date: Normally scheduled for late November or early December.
- B. Location: Determined by Tournament Chairperson.
- C. Species: Stripped Bass
- D. Format: Open to the General Public. This is a one-day tournament emphasizing Striped Bass as the target species. The Tournament Chairperson publishes the rules after review and approval of the Board of Directors.
- E. Prize:

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#### V. Stan Sutliff Memorial Surf Fishing

- A. Date: September or October
- B. Location: Sandbridge
- C. Species: TBD
- D. Format: Only open to members of Virginia Beach Anglers Club, Great Bridge Fisherman's Association, Norfolk Anglers Club, Tidewater Anglers Club and the Portsmouth Anglers Club. Techniques to be determined by chairperson. A one-day tournament with rules and regulations announced with tournament information and at the captains' meeting.
- E. Prize:

#### VI. VBAC Intra-Club Surf Fishing

- A. Date: Multi day event Qualifying Series held from April through September.
- B. Location: TBD with up to two events in OBX, NC
- C. Species: TBD
- D. Format: Varies by event. Points are earned and accrued during each event. Upon completion of the final event, anglers scoring the top three aggregate point totals will earn the right to select a surf tournament of their choice in priority order from first to third. Event dates, times, locations, rules, and guidelines will be provided at the February and March VBAC General Membership Meetings. Opportunity for up to three different anglers to fill positions on a surf fishing team the following year. All regular qualifying requirements must be met.
- E. Prize: Recognition on VBAC website. Other prizes may be available based on event sponsorship and Club funding availability.



## Appendix A

### Club Sponsored Tournaments

#### VII. VBAC Pier Fishing

- A. Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in July, August, and September from 1000 to 1400
- B. Location: Ocean View Fishing Pier
- C. Species: TBA
- D. Format: Open to General Public. This is a one-day tournament for the months listed above. The three target species to be selected by the tournament committee. The winners will be determined by the overall longest fish of the combined three species.
- E. Prize:

#### VIII. VBAC Roulette Challenge

- A. Date: January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>
- B. Location: Anywhere
- C. Species: TBD (5 species randomly drawn at the March meeting)
- D. Format: VBAC members in good standing. Members have until the March meeting to enter the Roulette and pay the \$20.00 entry fee. All fish of the 5 species selected and caught from January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>, can be presented for the competition. Relying on the honor system, we only accept the weight of the fish. At the end of the year, the participants with the heaviest fish in each category are declared the winner of the category.
- E. Prize: The winner of each category gets an equal share of the total money collected. The prize money is determined by the number of entrants.

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## **Surf Tournaments Club Sponsored Teams**

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## Appendix B

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## Appendix B

# Surf Tournaments – Club Sponsored Teams

### I. Intent

- A. VBAC is committed to fielding teams experienced in tournament fishing.
- B. Selecting participants that will represent the club well.
- C. Providing all interested club members with an opportunity to be selected for a team.

### II. Eligibility

- A. Shall be in good standing.
- B. 18 years or older at the time of the tournament for Ocracoke, Hatteras Village, Nags Head and CHAC Surf Tournaments. Minors are encouraged to fish in the other tournaments.
- C. Participation
  - 1. Shall have participated with the VBAC by helping with at least one club activity during the year prior to the day that the entry fee is required to be paid. (Suggested Activities – Club Officer, Club Board Member, Newsletter, Club Sponsored Tournaments, Club Adopt-A-Spot Clean-up, Awards Banquet, Boat Show, Oyster Roast, Meeting Refreshments, Raffles, Club Apparel Sales, etc.) The person in charge of the activity will keep a record of who participates in the activity, but it is YOUR responsibility to make sure your name gets recorded with the person in charge.
  - 2. The President has discretion as to additional activities that count towards the participation requirement.

### III. Team Requirements

- A. Tournaments require a 6-person team.
- B. 4-wheel drive vehicles, minimum of two.

### IV. Team Selection

- A. Returning Team

The entire team (e.g. all six returning anglers) may return to the same tournament the following year if that team finishes first, second, or third.

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### B. Two Team Tournaments

The intention is for VBAC to put forward the most competitive team possible.

1. A team which finishes first, second or third in the previous years tournament will be designated as Team A.
  - a) If multiple VBAC teams finish in the top three, both teams will return as previously registered. The highest finishing team will then be designated as Team A.
  - b) If one or more team members do not return to Team A, the surf fishing committee, at a meeting with a quorum of the committee present, may select one or more anglers from Team B or those who have submitted a registration form for the tournament to fill out Team A.
  - c) Team B will be filled out by random drawing from those who have submitted a registration form for the tournament.
2. All anglers from the previous years tournament will be ranked from 1 to 12 based on their total points scored (for tie-breakers, see F. for additional guidelines), regardless of the team they competed for in the tournament. Anglers who did not score any points in that tournament will be removed from the rankings.
3. Team A
  - a. Comprised of the top six ranked anglers.
  - b. If one or more of the top six qualifying anglers do not return for Team A, the available position(s) will be filled by the next highest ranked angler(s) until there are no eligible anglers remaining.
  - c. If the list is exhausted and there are less than four returning members, the surf fishing committee, at a meeting with a quorum of the committee present, may select one or more anglers from the previous year to return for Team A until Team A consists of total of four returning anglers.
  - d. The remaining position(s) on Team A will be available for random selection by drawing from those who have submitted a registration form for the tournament.

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#### 4. Team B

- a. All six positions will be selected by random drawing from those who have submitted a registration form for the tournament.
- b. If a team finished first, second, or third in a given tournament and one or more team members do not return, the rules from IV.B.1 of this section apply.

#### C. One Team Tournaments

The intent is that there will be at least two team members that have tournament experience.

1. If Section IV, A does not apply, then the following process should be used.
2. The first three positions for the team will be filled by anglers which finished in the top three places (based on points scored) of the same tournament from the previous year.
3. The last three places will be available for selection by random drawing of those who have submitted a registration form.
4. If only two members of a team score points during a tournament, those two members will return to the same tournament the following year. The remaining four places will be available for selection by drawing four names from those who have submitted a registration form.
5. If less than two members of a team score points during a tournament, the Surf Fishing committee, at a meeting with a quorum of the committee present, may select from all the remaining anglers from that team to the next years team.
6. The remaining four places will be available for selection by drawing four names from those who have submitted a registration form.
7. If less than two tournament anglers choose to return and fish, any remaining positions will be available for random selection by drawing from those who have submitted a registration form for the tournament.

#### D. Participation

1. If a returning team member fails to support the Club by helping with at least one Club activity (Bylaws IX.B) during the previous year, that angler will be removed from the upcoming year's team.

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2. The next highest scorer of the previous year's team will fill their spot on the upcoming year's team. Otherwise, the normal selection process will apply.
- E. When  
Selection is held in March for all the Surf Tournaments except for the Ocracoke Invitational, which is held in February.
- F. 4-Wheel Drive Vehicle
1. A minimum of two 4-Wheel Drive vehicles are required in order to access the fishing sites.
  2. If those vehicles are not available from the returning team members, the drawing for the necessary positions will be as follows:
    - a) The applications submitted for the drawing will be divided into two groups, those with four-wheel drive vehicles available, and those without four-wheel drive vehicles.
    - b) Names will be drawn from those who have four-wheel drive vehicles available until the vehicle needs are satisfied. If there are still positions to be filled, then the names from both groups will be mixed together and the remaining positions will be filled by names drawn from the combined group.
- G. Alternates
1. After the Teams are filled, alternates will be selected and ranked by drawing all the remaining names and ranking them in the order drawn.
  2. If a team member leaves the team, then the alternates will be called in the order drawn until a replacement is found.
  3. If a replacement cannot be found from the alternates, then the replacement will come from the membership at large.
  4. Anglers selected as alternates need to be committed to fish these tournaments. If an angler drops out, an alternate angler becomes fully responsible to repay the fees associated with fishing the tournament, regardless of the amount due or the time frame of which exists before the start of the event.
  5. New members joining the club after the drawings at the March meeting may have their names added to the end of the alternate lists.

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#### H. Exceptions

The Surf Committee has the right to adjust the team selection criteria or team composition if needed.

#### V. Member Responsibility

A. Cost of lodging and Participation fee.

B. Transportation to the event.

C. Tackle, bait, ice, food, etc.

D. Appropriate fishing license and gear.

E. Team members shall wear club shirts while fishing and at clubhouse functions.

F. Notify the Team Captain or the Surf Fishing Committee Chairman as soon as possible if unable to attend the tournament.

G. All VBAC Team members must adhere to and always maintain VBAC personal conduct standards when representing the Club and/or when participating in VBAC functions and events.



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## VI. Team Captain

### A. Requirements

1. Must have fished in at least one previous tournament.
2. Must accept all the responsibilities.

### B. Selection – Will be selected by their Team at their first meeting.

### C. Responsibilities

#### 1. Team Meeting

- Review personal conduct standards.
- Oversee the drawing/selection of meals
- Oversee sleeping arrangements (#1 Returnee has 1<sup>st</sup> choice)
- Oversee bait options and decisions
- Address of lodging
- Check-in and departure times
- Team members schedules and transportation
- Coordinate early arrival of Team Box
- Share everyone's contact information

#### 2. At the Tournament

- Attend Captain's meeting or arrange alternate – critical.
- Review rules, guidelines, and changes with Team
- Go over site and ramp locations
- Review start and stop times
- Prepare tournament and club score sheets
- Contact judges, get phone numbers, give them score sheets
- Oversee scoring on the beach
- Verify scoring and sign score sheets (keep copy/get a pic)
- Police the sites at the end of the day

#### 3. After the Tournament

- Ensure all ties are broken prior to leaving.
- Oversee proper routing of complaints, protests, or challenges.
- Oversee the cleanup of the cottage and ensure proper checkout.
- Resupply the Team Box and return to the Surf Fishing Committee.
- Complete and return all paperwork to the Surf Fishing Committee.
- Prepare tournament summary for the VBAC Newsletter.

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#### VII. Lodging & Registration Costs

##### A. Registration Costs

1. VBAC shall pay \$240.00 of the tournament fee for each team.
2. The team members are responsible for the remaining amount and it will be divided evenly between the team members.

##### B. Lodging

1. Will be divided evenly between the team members.
2. May include a security deposit and insurance that will be returned to the member if not used.

##### C. Deposit

1. Each member will pay a \$100.00 deposit for each team they are on.
2. The deposit is due at the next Regular meeting after their selection to the team.
3. It is Paid to the Surf Fishing Committee Chairman.

##### D. Balance

1. The balance of any lodging expenses must be paid to the Surf Fishing Committee Chairman no later than the second Regular meeting following selection.
2. If any additional amount owed is not paid by that time and special arrangements for payment have not been made with the Surf Fishing Committee Chairman, that angler will be dropped from the team and an alternate found.

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#### VIII. Team Member unable to compete.

- A. If a team member leaves the team prior to making any payments, then they have no further obligation to the team. The alternate will be responsible for their share of lodging expenses.
- B. If a team member leaves the team after making any payments for the tournament, the alternate is responsible for repaying the original team member any monies already paid and any additional monies owed.
- C. If a team member leaves the team after making any payments for the Participation fee and lodging and an alternate is not found, then they forfeit the money paid to pay their share of the lodging.

#### IX. VBAC Responsibilities

- A. Tournament Entry fee up to \$240.00. Any additional fee will be paid for evenly by the team members.
- B. Funds sufficient to secure accommodations, including the security deposit and/or trip insurance. These funds will be reimbursed to the club by the team members.
- C. VBAC will return to the team members their portion of the security deposit or trip insurance when it is refunded.

#### X. Scoring

- A. In addition to the Tournament Judge's official score sheet, each individual team member will keep their own score on a personal score sheet provided by the Team Captain. Each individual will write down the scoring fish information on his personal score sheet. The Team Captain will collect the personal score sheets from each member to help verify the scores. All score sheets are to be presented to the Surf Fishing Committee Chairman after the tournament.
- B. Tie Breaker
  - 1. In the event of a tie, the winner shall be determined according to the rules for "tie breakers" in the tournament rule book for that tournament.
  - 2. In the advent there is still a tie, a coin flip will be used.
  - 3. All ties will be broken prior to leaving the tournament.

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#### XI. Complaints, Protests and Challenges

- A. All complaints, protests and challenges must be submitted in writing by the individual, on their own behalf, to the Team Captain prior to the end of the Tournament.
- B. If the issue is not resolved by the Team Captain,
  - 1. The submittal will be forwarded to the Surf Fishing Committee Chairperson or the Club President within seven days of the event.
  - 2. The issue will be reviewed by the Surf Fishing Committee or Club President and presented to the Board of Directors as required.
- C. In the instance a submittal is made referring to an event occurring outside of a surf fishing tournament, the individual will have 30 days from the day of the event in question to submit this information to the Club's Board of Directors.
- D. If this procedure is not followed, the submittal is subject to dismissal and will not be considered.

#### XII. Lodging

- A. Only team members are permitted to stay overnight in the team's lodging at any time during the tournament.
- B. In the event a team has only one member of the opposite sex and the reserved team lodging does not have a separate room for that angler, additional lodging will be secured for that angler, and the additional cost will be spread out among all the team members.

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#### XIII. Surf Fishing Tournaments that VBAC participates in:

A. Ocracoke Invitational Surf Fishing Tournament, Sponsored by Ocracoke Invitational Surf Fishing Tournament Committee

-Late April or early May at Ocracoke, NC

-Entered by VBAC every year since 2000. Second team entered in 2018.

B. Hatteras Village Civic Association Invitational Surf Fishing Tournament, Sponsored by the Hatteras Village Civic Association

-September at Hatteras, NC

-Entered by VBAC since 1986. Second team entered in 1992

C. Nags Head Surf Fishing Club Invitational Surf Fishing Tournament, Sponsored by the Nags Head Surf Fishing Club

-October at Nags Head, NC

-Entered by VBAC since 1989. Second team entered in 2019.

D. Cape Hatteras Anglers Club Invitational Surf Fishing Tournament, Sponsored by the Cape Hatteras Anglers Club

-November at Buxton, NC

-Entered by VBAC every year since 1960. Second team entered in 2019.

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## *Boat Teams*

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#### I. Intent

- A. VBAC is committed to fielding teams experienced in tournament fishing.
- B. Selecting participants that will represent the club well.
- C. Providing all interested club members with an opportunity to be selected for a team.

#### II. Eligibility

- A. Shall be in good standing.
- B. Age requirement is determined by the tournament rules.
- C. Participation
  - 1. Shall have participated with the VBAC by helping with at least one club activity during the year prior to the day that the entry fee is required to be paid. (Suggested Activities – Club Officer, Club Board Member, Newsletter, Club Sponsored Tournaments, Club Adopt-A-Spot Clean-up, Awards Banquet, Boat Show, Oyster Roast, Meeting Refreshments, Raffles, Club Apparel Sales, etc.) The person in charge of the activity will keep a record of who participates in the activity, but it is YOUR responsibility to make sure your name gets recorded with the person in charge.
  - 2. The President has discretion as to additional activities that count towards the participation requirement.

#### III. Team Requirements & Responsibilities

- A. Teams consist of Boat Captain, 1<sup>st</sup> Mate, and maximum number of anglers allowed by the tournament or boat capacity (by weight).
- B. All crew members must be VABC members.
- C. Each member, except the Captain, is required to pay a \$10.00 participation fee.
- D. Each Team is responsible for their own bait, ice, fuel, food & drink, etc. The boat captain determines how the expenses will be split.
- E. Anytime a boat is underway (not anchored or secured to a dock), life jackets shall be worn.



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#### IV. Boat Selection

- A. Two months prior to the tournament, boats will be randomly drawn from a sign-up list.
- B. Pending the Board's approval, VBAC may sponsor as many boats as the tournament will allow.
- C. Any VBAC member in good standing may enter their boat in the drawing.
- D. The boats will be entered in the tournament in the order drawn until all the positions are filled.
- E. The remaining boats will become alternates and will be called in the order drawn if a vacancy should occur.
- F. The person in charge of the teams will notify the captains of the boats which boats are in the tournament and the list of alternate boats.
- G. Interested club members can sign up to be a crew member; a random drawing may be conducted to fill any openings on a club sponsored boat (should any exist).

#### V. VBAC Responsibilities

- A. Pay the entry fee for the approved number of boats.
- B. VBAC has no other responsibility for the boats or crews.

#### VI. Eligible Tournaments

- A. Hunt for Hardheads  
May  
Number of boats entered: 5
- B. Catch'n for Kids Club Challenge  
August  
Number of boats entered: 5
- C. Catch'n for Kids Rockfish Tournament  
December  
Number of boats entered: 5
- D. Other tournaments may be added at the Boards discretion.

# Virginia Beach Anglers Club

## *Prize Fish Program & Special Awards*

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## I. Rules

A. Date: The contest will run from January 1 through December 31. All entries from the previous year must be turned in by the regular January business meeting.

B. Eligibility

1. Entries may be mailed to the VBAC Post Office Box, the PFP Chairperson, or placed in the hands of the Prize Fish Committee before the regular business meeting begins, following the month the fish was caught.
2. The contest is open to all members in good standing and is free.
3. To qualify for entry as a catch, all fish must be weighed on certified scales.
4. Fish must be taken on hook and line and must follow all recreational fishing regulations as determined by the state to which it was caught.

C. Location

1. The territorial limits for the contest shall be the waters of Virginia and North Carolina and their coasts.
2. Fish caught outside of Virginia or North Carolina in a VBAC sponsored event (VBAC subsidized boat trips, VBAC subsidized surf fishing tournament participants, etc.) including the day prior (tournament specific pre-fishing day) will be eligible for the Prize Fish Contest.
3. Waters must be open to the public.

D. Club Record

1. To qualify for a club record, the fish must be weighed at an official state weigh station.
2. Weights should be converted to pounds and ounces.
3. A witness must be present and must sign the form.
4. If the fish qualifies for a VA or NC state tournament citation, that receipt will meet the witness' requirements.

- E. Minimum Weights and Lengths
  - 1. Entries in the monthly contest must meet “minimum club size requirements” to be considered for the annual contest.
  - 2. Minimum acceptable weights and lengths are set by the PFP Committee and approved by the Board of Directors.
- F. Acceptability of entries will be at the discretion of the PFP Committee whose decision will be final.
- G. Tie Breakers
  - 1. In the case of a tie in the catch category, length, then girth will be used to determine the winner.
  - 2. In the case of a tie in the release category, the first caught will break the tie.
  - 3. Length will only be used to qualify a fish in the release category or for tiebreaker purposes.
  - 4. Weight will only be used to qualify a fish in the catch category or for tiebreaker purposes.
- H. Definitions
  - 1. CATCH: Fish kept and weighed on a certified scale.
  - 2. RELEASE: Fish measured and released alive at time of capture.
  - 3. CERTIFIED SCALES: Scales certified by a state official.
  - 4. SURF FISHING AWARDS: Apply to saltwater species only.

## II. Awards

- A. The largest catch of the year for each listed species. (With the exception of the release only species.)
- B. The most fish released for each of the release only species.
- C. One or more prize fish from the open category at the discretion of the Prize Fish Committee.
- D. *Saltwater* Anglers of the Year in the following categories:
  - 1. Release
  - 2. Female
  - 3. Male
  - 4. "Most Outstanding" catch for a saltwater gamefish.

- E. *Freshwater Anglers of the Year* in the following categories:
1. Release
  2. Female
  3. Male
  4. "Most Outstanding" catch for a freshwater gamefish.
- F. *Surf Angler of the Year*:
1. Criteria: One award each, to the female and male with the most minimum fish (saltwater species only) entered.
  2. Format
    - a. Selection made by the most minimum fish (saltwater species only) entries received.
    - b. In the event of a tie, the date of catch/release shall be the deciding factor.
  3. Award
    - a. Male Surf Angler of the Year receives the "Jay Smith Memorial Surf Fishing Award".
    - b. Female Surf Angler of the Year is to be the recipient of the "Gene Farrar Memorial Surf Fishing Award."
- G. *Youth Anglers, Yearly Awards*
1. Junior Angler (Ages 13-17)
  2. Guppy Angler (Ages 7-12)
  3. Fry Angler (Age 1-6)
- H. *Monthly awards*
1. May be given at the discretion of PFP Committee.
  2. The winner may make a selection from the prize box or, if applicable, the angler may receive a prize issued by the Prize Fish Committee Chairperson.
- I. *Sand Witches Memorial Award*. This award is given to the largest red drum by length registered in the Ladies category. There is no minimum length requirement.
- J. Recognize members that earn:
1. Master Angler (i.e., Six or more fish of different species meeting the minimum club requirements for the species). State release citations also qualify.
  2. Expert Angler (i.e., Six or more fish of the same species meeting the minimum club requirements for the species). State release citations also qualify.
  3. Certificates of Merit for outstanding catches and for outstanding releases including new club records.

### III. Eligible Species & Requirements

- A. Annual Award – the catch or release must meet or exceed the VBAC club minimums.
- B. A fish whose catch or release earns a state citation from either North Carolina or Virginia will have met the VBAC requirements.
- C. Open Category:
  - 1. Outstanding catches of any legally caught fish not listed on the eligible species lists.
  - 2. One or more certificate(s) may be awarded from this combined category at the discretion of the PFP Committee.
- D. Youth Anglers:
  - 1. Junior Division
    - a. The fish must be within 50% of the state citation minimum size requirements.
    - b. The VBAC May award up to a total of twelve certificates at the discretion of the PFP Committee.
  - 2. Guppy Division
    - a. The fish must be within 25% of the state citation minimum size requirements.
    - b. The VBAC may award up to a total of twelve certificates at the discretion of the PFP Committee.
  - 3. Fry Division
    - a. There are not any fish size requirements.
    - b. Fry are allowed necessary adult assistance while fishing.
    - c. May award up to a total of six certificates at the discretion of the PFP Committee.

E. Saltwater Species, Minimum Weights and Release Lengths:

## VBAC Saltwater Minimums for Awards

Species		Weight (lb/oz)	Release Length
Amberjack		38/0	38
Bass			
	Black Sea	3/12	17
	Striped (SW)	RO	33
Bluefish		12/0	27
Cobia		41/4	38
Croaker		2/4	15
Dolphin		18/12	35
Drum			
	Black	RO	35
	Red	RO	35
False Albacore		RO	24
Flounder		4/8	20
Gray Triggerfish		3/0	15
Jack Crevalle		RO	30
Kingfish (Roundhead)		1/2	12
Mackerel			
	King	15/0	33
	Spanish	3/0	20
Marlin			
	Blue	RO	
	White	RO	
Pompano		1/2	12

Release  
RO= Only

Species		Weight (lb/oz)	Release Length
Sailfish		RO	
Sharks (any)		RO	54
Sheepshead		7/8	18
Spadefish		6/0	17
Spearfish		RO	
Spot		0/12	10
Swordfish		75/0	Any
Tarpon		RO	27
Tautog		6/12	17
Trout			
	Gray	6/12	17
	Speckled	3/12	23
Tuna			
	Albacore	30/0	24
	Bigeye	52/8	38
	Blackfin	15/0	24
	Bluefin	75/0	45
	Yellowfin	52/8	38
Tilefish			
	Blueline	7/8	
	Golden	22/8	
Wahoo		26/4	38

RO=Release  
Only

Virginia DWR Trophy Fish Size Chart - <https://dwr.virginia.gov/fishing/trophy-fish/size-chart/>



F. Eligible Freshwater Species, Minimum Weights, and Minimum Release Lengths are:

Virginia Citation Requirements			2021 VBAC Requirements	
Species	Weight	Release Length	Weight	Release Length
Bass, Largemouth	8 lb 0 oz	22"	6 lb 0 oz	17"
Bass, Hybrid Striped**	8 lb 0 oz	24"	6 lb 0 oz	18"
Bass, Rock	1 lb 0 oz	12"	12 oz	9"
Bass, Smallmouth	5 lb 0 oz	20"	3 lb 12 oz	15"
Bass, Striped (FW)	20 lb 0 oz	37"	15 lb 0 oz	28"
Bass, White	2 lb 0 oz	16"	1 lb 8 oz	12"
Bowfin	10 lb 0 oz	30"	7 lb 8 oz	23"
Carp	20 lb 0 oz	34"	15 lb 0 oz	26"
Catfish, Blue	30 lb 0 oz	38"	22 lb 8 oz	29"
Catfish, Channel	12 lb 0 oz	30"	9 lb 0 oz	23"
Catfish, Flathead	25 lb 0 oz	40"	18 lb 12 oz	30"
Chain Pickerel	4 lb 0 oz	24"	3 lb 0 oz	18"
Crappie, Black	2 lb 0 oz	15"	1 lb 8 oz	11"
Crappie, White	2 lb 0 oz	15"	1 lb 8 oz	11"
Drum, Freshwater	6 lb 0 oz	24"	4 lb 8 oz	18"
Fallfish	1 lb 4 oz	14"	15 oz	11"
Gar	10 lb 0 oz	40"	7 lb 8 oz	30"
Muskellunge	15 lb 0 oz	40"	11 lb 4 oz	30"
Northern Pike	6 lb 0 oz	30"	4 lb 8 oz	23"
Perch, White	1 lb 4 oz	13"	15 oz	10"
Perch, Yellow	1 lb 4 oz	12"	15 oz	9"
Sauger*	2 lb 0 oz	18"	1 lb 8 oz	14"
Saugeye	4 lb 0 oz	23"	3 lb 0 oz	18"
Shad, American			Release only	12"
Shad, Hickory			1 lb 2 oz	9"
Sunfish, Bluegill	1 lb 0 oz	11"	12 oz	8"
Sunfish, Redear	1 lb 0 oz	11"	12 oz	8"
Sunfish, Other	1 lb 0 oz	10"	12 oz	8"
Trout, Brook	2 lb 0 oz	16"	1 lb 8 oz	12"
Trout, Brown	5 lb 0 oz	25"	3 lb 12 oz	19"
Trout, Rainbow	4 lb 0 oz	22"	3 lb 0 oz	17"
Walleye	5 lb 0 oz	25"	3 lb 12 oz	19"

\* Clinch and Powell Rivers only

\*\* Claytor and Flannagan Reservoirs only

## Appendix D

# Prize Fish Program & Special Awards

### IV. Committee

#### A. Responsibilities

1. Recognize prize fish caught each month in each category and division.
2. Select the prize fish for each species caught in every category and division as the annual winner for that species.
3. Document and maintain all of the VBAC's prize fish records for all categories that awards are given.
4. Review the minimum weights and lengths each year prior to the November Board meeting to determine if recommendations for change are warranted.

#### B. Positions

1. Chairperson
  - a) Responsible for managing the Prize Fish Program and reports directly to the VBAC President.
  - b) Usually selected from the Board of Directors by the VBAC President and will serve for the period of one-year beginning the day following the annual banquet and concluding at the end of the annual banquet the following year.
2. Members
  - a) Selected by the PFP Chairperson to serve for the same period of as the Chairperson.
  - b) There is no set number of committee members. It is recommended to have at least three (3).

#### C. Meetings

1. The PFP Committee will meet at least once a year to determine the prize fish awards for the annual banquet. This meeting will be held as soon as possible after the January business meeting and obtain the budget from the Treasurer.
2. Other meetings will be held at the discretion of the Chairperson.

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### V. Special Awards

#### A. Dr. James C. Wright Conservation Honorary Award

1. Criteria: Presented to an individual, who contributed substantially to the conservation of freshwater or saltwater fish. Although not a firm requirement, this award normally focuses on conservation efforts within the State of Virginia.
2. Format: Candidates are proposed by the Board of Directors at the November Board meeting and tabled for thirty days. The slate is reviewed at the December Board meeting. Other candidates can be added at this time. The merits of each candidate are discussed in open forum and the final selection made by a secret ballot. The name of the recipient is held secret until the Annual Awards Banquet.
3. Award: The recipient's name and year of the award is engraved on the perpetual trophy. The recipient also receives a replica trophy for permanent retention.

#### B. VIRGINIA BEACH ANGLER'S CLUB MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD

1. Criteria: This award recognizes an outstanding VBAC member who has given much time and effort to improving the quality of the VBAC. This award is not based on angling efforts and excludes from consideration those duties performed in conjunction with an elected office.
2. Format
  - a. President appoints a Committee Chairperson on or about the October time frame.
  - b. The Committee Chairperson will select the remaining committee members (normally 2-3 people).
  - c. At the January Board meeting the Committee Chairperson proposes to the Board a list of candidates for the award. The Board may propose other candidates.
  - d. Selection of the recipient is by ballot vote.
  - e. The recipient must receive a majority vote of the Board.
  - f. The Chairperson keeps the name of the winner secret.
  - g. This award can be won more than once by any member.

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3. Award
  - a. The award is a plaque.
  - b. The plaque is sponsored and presented each year by the VBAC at the annual awards banquet.