



# Major League Fishing • Bass Pro Tour

## HEAVY HITTERS | Tyler, Texas

### April 9-14, 2022

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#### COMPETITION WATERS:

- Lake Palestine

#### OFFICIAL RAMP / STAGING AREA:

- The Villages Marina, Big Eddy Rd, Flint, TX 75762, (GPS: 32°13'05.6"N, 95°28'06.3"W)

#### SCORABLE BASS:

- **Competition Days 1-5:** Approved species of bass must weigh **2 pounds** or more to be scorable and every scorable bass counts.
- **Championship Day:** Approved species of bass must weigh **3 pounds** or more to be scoreable and every scorable bass counts.

#### OFF-LIMITS:

- 12:01 a.m. on March 8 through 30 minutes prior to official sunrise on April 7.

#### ALL ANGLER MEETING:

- **April 6 at 5:30 p.m.** - Location TBA.
- This in-person meeting is mandatory for all MLF Bass Pro Tour anglers. Anglers must wear a collared polo-style shirt or jersey.

#### OFFICIAL PRACTICE HOURS:

- **April 7** - 30 minutes prior to official sunrise to 30 minutes after official sunset.
- **April 8** - 30 minutes prior to official sunrise until 6 p.m.

#### COMPETITION SCHEDULE & FORMAT:

- **April 9** - Qualifying Group A, Day 1 - 16 anglers - Total weight carries to Qualifying Group A, Day 2
- **April 10** - Qualifying Group B, Day 1 - 16 anglers - Total weight carries to Qualifying Group B, Day 2
- **April 11** - Qualifying Group A, Day 2 - 16 anglers - Two-day weight total - Top eight advance - Winner advances to Championship Round.
- **April 12** - Qualifying Group A, Day 2 - 16 anglers - Two-day weight total - Top eight advance - Winner advances to Championship Round.
- **April 13** - Knockout Round - 14 anglers - Zeroed weight - Top eight anglers advance to Championship Round.
- **April 14** - Championship Round - 10 anglers - Zeroed weight - One-day total weight.

*Please note:* MLF Heavy Hitters anglers will practice in their personal boats, but will compete in MLF-provided league boats, wearing MLF-provided league jerseys and hats.

#### COMPETITION HOURS (Central Time Zone):

- **Period 1** - 8-10:30 a.m.
- **Period 2** - 10:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.
- **Period 3** - 1:30-4 p.m. (End of competition)

#### SERVICE CREW LOCATION:

- The Villages Marina, Big Eddy Rd, Flint, TX 75762, (GPS: 32°13'05.6"N, 95°28'06.3"W)

**PRE-COMPETITION STAGING:**

- Each morning before competition begins, competing Heavy Hitters anglers will meet their MLF official and MLF camera operator at the official staging area prior to takeoff. Anglers will depart with their MLF official from the daily staging area to the official ramp in a controlled, orderly fashion for takeoff. Takeoff will begin approximately 30 minutes prior to official lines in.

**TAKEOFF PROCEEDURE:**

- Takeoff will be based on Heavy Hitters qualification standings for the first day of competition. When all boats have been put into the water and anglers are ready, a fast-paced but safe takeoff will begin in order from 1-16 on Day 1 and reversed 16-1 on each group's second competition day. Knockout Round anglers will depart in the order of their Qualifying Round finish. Championship Round anglers will depart in the order of their Knockout Round finish. The estimated takeoff time will be approximately 30 minutes prior to official lines in. Anglers will have their names announced, with a 5-second interval between each name.

**TOURNAMENT PAYOUTS:**

- Payouts for this tournament will total \$507,500. The following reflects the payouts by place finish and Big Bass:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – \$100,000
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – \$25,000
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – \$20,000
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place – \$18,000
- 5<sup>th</sup> Place – \$15,000
- 6<sup>th</sup> Place – \$14,500
- 7<sup>th</sup> Place – \$13,500
- 8<sup>th</sup> Place – \$12,500
- 9<sup>th</sup> Place – \$11,000
- 10<sup>th</sup> Place – \$8,000
- 11<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> Places – \$4,000 Each
- 21<sup>st</sup> – 32<sup>nd</sup> Places – \$3,000 Each
  
- Big Bass Group A / Group B – \$25,000 Each
- Big Bass Knockout Round – \$50,000
- Big Bass Championship Round – \$100,000

**LICENSES & PERMITS:**

- It is each Heavy Hitters angler's responsibility to understand state license and permit requirements. MLF does not check licenses or permits at Heavy Hitters.



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