



NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Event Overview

April 1-4, 2025

For more info: Please contact TBF at 580.765.9031 www.bassfederation.com

Competition Waters:

Lake Dardanelle, Arkansas

Registration Mandatory Rules Briefing:

Tuesday, April 1, 4:30-5:30pm
Location TBA

Local Hosts:

Russellville Tourism and Visitors Center
500 W. Main, Suite 109
Russellville, AR.
479.967.1762

Welcome Banquet:

Tuesday, April 1, 5:30-7:30pm

Takeoff: 7:00am CT Wed., Th., Fri. April 2, 3, 4

Lake Dardanelle State Park
100 State Park Drive
Russellville, Ar. 72802

Weigh-In: April 2, 3, 4

Lake Dardanelle State Park
Weigh-in starts promptly - 3:00pm CT Daily

Overview:

The 2025 TBF National Championship is the ultimate dream for any angler. Each of the 7 TBF Division Champion Boaters and Co-Anglers will receive a "Live YOUR Dream" prize package. The top Boater and Co-Angler will earn the National Champion titles and the lion's share of the largest payout in federation history. Held Lake Dardanelle, AR., this no entry fee event consisting of 58 Boaters and 58 Co-Anglers representing every TBF state federation and all 7 TBF divisions in North America. These top anglers competed during 2024 and earned their spots through a series of TBF club, state and one of 21 close-to-home TBF National Semi-Final events to earn a spot in the 2025 TBF National Championship.

- Prize list extends to all boaters and co-anglers.
- All 58 Boater's will receive a boat gas stipend for each competition day they fish to help offset fuel costs.
- Increased prize package for all 14 Division Champions (7 boaters and 7 co-anglers) not just the event winners. This means "regional" "Live YOUR Dream" winners in every TBF Division!
- **TBF National Champion** "Live YOUR Dream Prize Package" **ONE OF A KIND** first-place prize package for this qualified angler WILL include in cash and prizes:
 - + A "dream rig" new Ranger Z520 fully rigged with 250 HP Motor and all the goodies! Theirs to keep and fish/"Live THEIR Dream" out of!
 - + PLUS, a \$20,000 CASH Prize!
- + An automatic berth into the 2025 BFL All-American, if qualified.
 - + An automatic berth into the 2025 MLF Series Championship.
 - + A reserved slot for the TBF Champion boater on the 2026 MLF Invitationals
- + PLUS, a set amount that TBF will pay up-to in entry fee stipends to ASSIST our champion, so they can fish any TBF affiliated or other approved circuit anywhere in the US or Canada to Live YOUR Dream!
 - + **And more!**

- **TBF Co-Angler National Champion** “Live YOUR Dream” prize package for this qualified angler includes:
 - + A \$20,000 CASH Prize
 - + A \$250.00 Bass Pro Shops / Cabela’s Gift Card
- + An automatic berth into the 2025 BFL All-American as a Co-Angler, if qualified.
 - + An automatic berth into the 2025 MLF Series Championship as a Co-Angler.
- + A set amount that TBF will pay up to in entry fee stipends to ASSIST our champion to fish any TBF affiliated or other approved circuit anywhere in the US or Canada that YOU choose to Live **YOUR Dream!**
 - + **And more!**

Format:

- **Prize purse – Nearly \$400,000.00** in cash, bonuses and prizes
- **Filmed for network TV** on the Pursuit Channel
- **Days 1 & 2; (April 2-3)** – Full Field; Boaters & Co-Anglers, compete and weigh-in at Lake Dardanelle State Park at 3pm CT
 - 58 Boaters and 58 Co-Anglers will compete while representing the 7 TBF Divisions and their home states
- **Day 3; April 4– Top 7 Boaters & Co-Anglers compete and weigh in at 3:00pm CT**
 - 7 Division-Champion Boaters and 7 Division-leading Co-Anglers based on accumulated weight from days one and two. If Qualified, ALL 14 advance to the 2024 BFL All-American
 - Winning Boater and Co-Angler determines National Champions titles by the accumulated weight from days one through three and wins National Champions prize packages.

Key Rules:

- **Lake goes off limits (Saturday at midnight) 12:01am Sunday, March 16, 2025 it is off-limits.** Only allowed practice days after that are Sunday, Monday March 30, 31, all day and Tuesday April 1 until 3pm. Tournament competition days are Wed., Th., Fr. April 2, 3, 4
- Each angler may weigh in five bass per day.
- Arkansas fishing license is required
- Length limits are 14” and over for largemouth and 12 inches for smallmouth and spotted bass.
- Only artificial lures are permitted, state law will be followed on Umbrella rigs.
- Bass must be kept alive. Anglers are assessed an 8-ounce penalty for each bass brought to the weigh-in not alive and you may NOT cull a dead bass.
- Anglers who are late for the official check-in are assessed a 1 pound-per-minute penalty
- Anglers who choose to wear an inflatable life preserver **MUST** carry a regular NON- Inflatable life preserver in the boat at all times as well to be legal.

A very special thank you to the TBF sponsors who make this event possible including: Your home state TBF affiliated State Federations who qualified you to get here! Ranger Boats, Bass Pro Shops, Cabelas, Crush City Rapala, Humminbird, Impulse Lithium, Lews, MinnKota, Power Pole, Rapala, Strike King, Sufix Line, TH Marine, VMC Hooks, Faculty Of Fishing, our partners in fishing at MLF and our 2025 host, Russellville Arkansas.



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