



National Semi-Finals FACT SHEET – District 16 Vermont and Massachusetts

South Hero, VT – Lake Champlain

September 13-14, 2025

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<p><u>Registration/Rules Meeting</u></p> <p><u>Location:</u> Mallets Bay Pavillion 97 Blakely RD Colchester, VT 05446</p> <p><u>Date:</u> Friday, September 12, 2025</p> <p><u>Registration Times:</u> 5:00 p.m. – Registration Opens 5:45 p.m. – Registration Closes. 6:00 p.m. – Mandatory rules briefing begins.</p> <p>All anglers must be off the water by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the rules meeting.</p>	<p><u>Launch/Weigh-In</u></p> <p><u>Launch Locations:</u> Day 1 Mallets Bay, Colchester, VT Day 2 Apple Island, South Hero, VT</p> <p>Take-off will begin at 7:00 a.m. or first safe light.</p> <p><u>Weigh-In Locations:</u> Day 1 Mallets Bay, Colchester, VT Day 2 Apple Island, South Hero, VT</p> <p>Weigh-in starts at 3:00 p.m.</p>	<p><u>Required Items and Safety Equipment</u></p> <p>It is the responsibility of each participant to have ALL required state and federal safety equipment on board as well as, ALL permits' licenses, passes or stamps, etc. required.</p> <p>At time of inspection each morning, be prepared to properly display 1 life jacket for each angler; 1 throwable PFD; and, demonstrate functioning kill switch.</p> <p>Inspection will be held during lineup for takeoff. Live wells must be empty.</p> <p>Anglers must have a valid Vermont fishing license.</p>
<p><u>Fish Limits</u></p> <p>Largemouth and smallmouth Bass 12" inches and over.</p> <p>Anglers are allowed to weigh a limit of five (5) fish per person unless otherwise required by law or tournament officials</p> <p>Any fish presented for weigh-in which fails to measure the official length limits shall accrue penalties at the rate of one (1) pound for each non-legal fish plus loss of the fish. An 8-ounce deduction will be made for each fish presented to the bump master for weighing that is determined to be non-releasable.</p>	<p><u>Tournament Directors</u></p> <p>Robert Bordeaux (802)310-0839 802spinnerbait@gmail.com</p> <p><u>Site Hosts</u></p> <p>Vermont Bass Federation & South Hero, VT</p>	<p><u>Boundaries</u></p> <p>Tournament waters are OFF limits Monday, and Tuesday, prior to the event. Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday are practice days. Saturday and Sunday are competition days (Read the rules)</p> <p>Any waters within these boundaries posted "off limits" or "no fishing" by state or federal agencies will be off limit. Any live release areas established by the Tournament Director will be off limits. That as well as any additional off limits will be announced at the pre-tournament briefing. Only that water open to all public fishing will be considered tournament waters. Any waters closed to public fishing will be closed to this tournament's contestants. All local, state and federal regulations apply.</p>
<p><u>Overall Payback in cash and prizes is more than 100%!</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 75% payback to 20% of the field for both boaters and co-angler - 10% to State Federations - 15% to Federation Championship <p>PLUS.....</p>	<p><u>Contingencies at all 22 Semi-Final Events!</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Click here to view ALL <p>Please read the 2025 Official TBF-National Semi-Final Rules carefully!</p>	<p>Stay up-to-date on the latest news! Sign up for the FREE e-newsletter at: Bassfederation.com</p> <p>CLEAN DRAIN & DRY YOUR BOATS BEFORE LEAVING HOME & AFTER EACH EVENT!</p> <p>HELP STOP AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES.</p>

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