

# Louisiana High School B.A.S.S. Nation Hierarchy of Captain Participation

To continue to level the playing field in all our state qualifiers as well as our state championship, we want to remind everyone what our requirements are for allowing someone to captain an individual high school team for our organization.

Nothing has changed from the past; we just want to make sure that everyone understands what the requirements are for a person to be a captain and to remove any grey areas.

### Below are the preferred associations between and captain and his or her team.

- 1. Parent or stepparent of one of the anglers.
- 2. Older sibling, grandparent or great grandparent of one of the anglers.
- 3. Uncle or aunt of one of the anglers
- 4. 1<sup>st</sup> cousin, great aunt or uncle.
- 5. Official faculty member of the team's institution

### Anything below the level above must have prior approval of the state youth director.

6. Relative beyond those listed above.

## Those captains that fall below this level we prefer to be Louisiana B.A.S.S. Nation Members

- 7. Supplemental "team" captain (helps all teams at a school or club if no other captain is available).
- 8. A pre-determined captain who regularly fills in for a single parent. Must be approved by coach.
- 9. A pre-determined captain who regularly fill in for a team whose family does not have access to a boat. (Absolutely must be pre- approved early in the season by the team coach or sponsor and the state director a week prior to practice day)
- 10. Any close (lifelong) family "friend" who fills in and isn't a regular fill in captain for any individual team (absolutely must be pre- approved by the team coach or sponsor two weeks, and the state youth director, a week prior to practice day.)

#### Those who will not be permitted to captain any individual team.

- 11. A professional or semi-professional angler who is not the parent, stepparent, grandparent, or direct uncle or aunt of one of the team members.
- 12. A guide on the body of water being fished unless they are the parent or stepparent of one of the team members.
- 13. A top fisherman on a given body of water to be fished who does not meet "family" criteria set forth in numbers 1-5 above.
- 14. Anyone who falls into items 7-10 above who doesn't live in the same general area as the team fishing.
- 15. Anyone who has, or will receive payment to take a team fishing on practice or tournament day.
- 16. Anyone who does not meet criteria 1-10 above.

If you have questions or want us to review a potential captain's eligibility, please email us @: <a href="mailto:louisianahsbn@gmail.com">louisianahsbn@gmail.com</a>

Louisiana B.A.S.S. Nation reserves the right to deny any captain. Failure to notify the state director and board of a captain change that does not fall into numbers 7-10 above could be grounds for penalty assessment or disqualification.