

# Ridgway Reservoir Smallmouth Bass Classic

July 7-30, 2017

## PRIZE CATEGORIES

**Grand Prize** – A new 14 foot Tracker fishing boat with trailer, and 25 hp Mercury motor. Life jackets and Humminbird sonar/GPS combo included. Package valued at over \$6,000.

**Second Tier Prizes** – Five Creek Company Clark Fork pontoon boats with oars and life jackets.

**Youth Prizes** – A package of fishing lures will be given to any angler under 12 years of age who turns in a smallmouth bass. Limited to one prize per angler under 12.

## RAFFLE

1. *Prizes* – One *Grand Prize*, five *Second Tier Prizes* and *Youth Prizes* will be awarded.
2. *Raffle* – Anglers will be awarded a raffle ticket for each smallmouth bass of any size checked at the fish scanning station. All adult prizes will be given away via the raffle at the end of the tournament.
3. *Check Station* – All smallmouth bass must be turned in at the Fish Checking Station located at the Ridgway State Park boat ramp. It will be open from 12 PM to 4 PM Mondays and Fridays and 10 AM to 6 PM on Saturdays and Sundays from July 7 – July 30, 2017.
4. *Raffle Drawing* – The raffle drawing for all prizes will occur on Sunday July 30 at 4 PM at the Fish Checking Station at Ridgway State Park. Anglers are encouraged to attend, but do not need to be present to win.

## RULES

1. This is a smallmouth bass only tournament. You may possess other species as allowed by Colorado Fishing Regulations, but they may not be entered in the tournament.
2. There is no bag or possession limit on smallmouth bass at Ridgway Reservoir.
3. Anglers must possess a valid Colorado fishing license and follow all Colorado boating and fishing regulations, including method of take regulations. All smallmouth bass must be disposed of according to Colorado Fishing Regulations by the angler. Anglers may also donate smallmouth bass carcasses to CPW for research purposes at the check station.
4. Any angler cited for an angling violation during the duration of the contest will be disqualified from the tournament.
5. Angling will begin at 7 AM on Friday July 7, and end at 3 PM on Sunday July 30, 2017. Only smallmouth bass caught within this time frame from Ridgway Reservoir can be entered in the

tournament, and any violations will result in tournament disqualification. Anglers may fish as many days of the tournament as they wish.

6. Anglers are only eligible for prizes if the smallmouth bass they catch are dead when presented at the Fish Checking Station. It is illegal to transport live fish in Colorado.
7. There are no daily time restrictions on angling within the official tournament period, however, fish will only be accepted when the Fish Checking Station is open. The Fish Checking Station will be located at the Ridgway State Park boat ramp and will be open from 12 PM to 4 PM Mondays and Fridays and 10 AM to 6 PM on weekend days for the duration of the tournament.
8. Participating anglers must register for the tournament when their first fish are checked in. They will receive an angler number after providing their phone number and email address for correspondence regarding winning prizes. The angler number will be used to match winning raffle tickets to the angler. Anglers are responsible for putting their number on all raffle tags they enter. Raffle tags without an angler number will not be eligible for prizes.
9. Raffle tickets will be dropped into a locked box by each angler as they are checked. This box will not be opened until the raffle drawing on 4 PM on Sunday July 30 2017 at the Fish Checking Station. All winners will be contacted by Friday August 4, 2017.
10. All smallmouth bass will be marked at the Fish Checking Station after they are turned in so that anglers cannot receive multiple raffle tickets for an individual fish.
11. A valid Colorado State Parks pass is required to enter the park and to participate in the tournament.
12. Colorado Parks and Wildlife employees and their immediate families are not eligible to participate in the tournament.