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OMB No 1545-0047

## Short Form

2019

Open to Public Inspection

Form 990-EZ

## Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

Do not enter social security numbers on this form, as it may be made public.

Go to www.irs.gov/Form990EZ for instructions and the latest information.

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2019 calendar year, or tax year beginning January 1, 2019, and ending December 31, 2019

B Check if applicable

- ☐ Address change  
☒ Name change  
☐ Initial return  
☐ Final return/terminated  
☐ Amended return  
☐ Application pending

C Name of organization

New Hampshire B A S.S. Nation

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)

380 Lafayette Rd

Room/suite

11-269

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code

Seabrook, NH 03874

D Employer identification number

68-0627457

E Telephone number

6177801777

F Group Exemption  
NumberG Accounting Method ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual Other (specify)

I Website: www.nhbassnation.com

H Check ☒ if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)J Tax-exempt status (check only one) - ☒ 501(c)(3) ☐ 501(c) ( ) (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527K Form of organization ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B)) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ.

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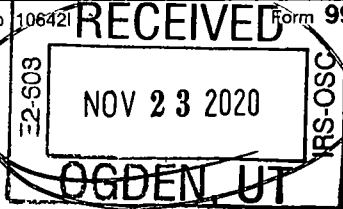
## Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the instructions for Part I)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I ☒

1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	7693
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	8800
3	Membership dues and assessments	3	8040
4	Investment income	4	
5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	
6	Gaming and fundraising events:		
a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	
b	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)	6b	44950
c	Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c	32302
d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d	12648
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	9571
b	Less: cost of goods sold	7b	7980
c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	1591
8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8	
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8	9	38772
10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	
11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	
12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	
13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	
14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	5803
15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	225
16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	30079
17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	36107
18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	2665
19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	18275
20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20	
21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	20940

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**Part V Other Information** (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V.) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V ☐

	Yes	No
<b>33</b> Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O . . . . .		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>34</b> Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O. See instructions . . . . .	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>35a</b> Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)? . . . . .		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b> If "Yes" to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O . . . . .		
<b>c</b> Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III . . . . .		
<b>36</b> Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N . . . . .		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>37a</b> Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ▶ <b>37a</b> 0		
<b>b</b> Did the organization file <b>Form 1120-POL</b> for this year? . . . . .		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>38a</b> Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee; or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return? . . . . .		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b> If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II, and enter the total amount involved . . . . . <b>38b</b>		
<b>39</b> Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
<b>a</b> Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 . . . . . <b>39a</b>		
<b>b</b> Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities . . . . . <b>39b</b>		
<b>40a</b> Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 ▶ 0 ; section 4912 ▶ 0 , section 4955 ▶ 0		
<b>b</b> Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I . . . . .		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>c</b> Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 . . . . . ▶ 0		
<b>d</b> Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization . . . . . ▶ 0		
<b>e</b> All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T . . . . .		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>41</b> List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ <u>New Hampshire</u>		
<b>42a</b> The organization's books are in care of ▶ <u>John Foster</u> Telephone no. ▶ <u>6177801777</u> Located at ▶ <u>9 Grove St, Byfield, MA</u> ZIP + 4 ▶ <u>01922</u>		
<b>b</b> At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>c</b> At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the United States? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ _____		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>43</b> Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of <b>Form 1041</b> —Check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year . . . . . ▶ <b>43</b>		
<b>44a</b> Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ . . . . .		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b> Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ . . . . .		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>c</b> Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year? . . . . .		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>d</b> If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O . . . . .		
<b>45a</b> Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? . . . . .		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>b</b> Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ. See instructions . . . . .		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**46** Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I . . . . .

	Yes	No
<b>46</b>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**Part VI Section 501(c)(3) Organizations Only**

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47–49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI . . . . . ☐

**47** Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II . . . . .

	Yes	No
<b>47</b>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**48** Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E . . . . .

	Yes	No
<b>48</b>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**49a** Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? . . . . .

	Yes	No
<b>49a</b>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**b** If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization? . . . . .

	Yes	No
<b>49b</b>		<input type="checkbox"/>

**50** Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees, and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and title of each employee	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
None				

**f** Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 . . . . . 0

**51** Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
None		

**d** Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 . . . . . 0

**52** Did the organization complete Schedule A? **Note:** All section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A . . . . . ☒ Yes ☐ No

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of officer	Date
	John Foster - President Type or print name and title	11/02/2020

<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	Firm's name	Firm's EIN		Phone no	
	Firm's address				

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No

**SCHEDULE A**  
**(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Public Charity Status and Public Support**

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

▶ **Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.**

▶ Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for instructions and the latest information.

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**2019**

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Name of the organization

New Hampshire B.A.S.S. Nation

Employer identification number

68-0627457

**Part I Reason for Public Charity Status** (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box.)

- 1 ☐ A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 ☐ A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ).)
- 3 ☐ A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4 ☐ A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state:
- 5 ☐ An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 6 ☐ A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 ☐ An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 8 ☐ A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 9 ☐ An agricultural research organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land-grant college of agriculture (see instructions). Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university:
- 10 ☐ An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)
- 11 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 12 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2)**. See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box in lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
- a ☐ **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
- b ☐ **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
- c ☐ **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
- d ☐ **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
- e ☐ Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.

f Enter the number of supported organizations . . . . .

g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1–10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
(A)						
(B)						
(C)						
(D)						
(E)						
<b>Total</b>						

**Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2015	(b) 2016	(c) 2017	(d) 2018	(e) 2019	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.") . . . . .						
<b>2</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf . . . . .						
<b>3</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge . . . . .						
<b>4 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 3 . . . . .						
<b>5</b> The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f) . . . . .						
<b>6 Public support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2015	(b) 2016	(c) 2017	(d) 2018	(e) 2019	(f) Total
<b>7</b> Amounts from line 4 . . . . .						
<b>8</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources . . . . .						
<b>9</b> Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on . . . . .						
<b>10</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.) . . . . .						
<b>11 Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10						
<b>12</b> Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions) . . . . .					<b>12</b>	
<b>13 First five years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and <b>stop here</b> . . . . .						<input type="checkbox"/>

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>14</b> Public support percentage for 2019 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)) . . . . .	<b>14</b>	%
<b>15</b> Public support percentage from 2018 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 . . . . .	<b>15</b>	%
<b>16a 33 1/3% support test—2019.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and <b>stop here</b> . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . .		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>b 33 1/3% support test—2018.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and <b>stop here</b> . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . .		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2019.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and <b>stop here</b> . Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . .		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2018.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and <b>stop here</b> . Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . .		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>18 Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions . . . . .		<input type="checkbox"/>

**Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)**

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II.  
If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2015	(b) 2016	(c) 2017	(d) 2018	(e) 2019	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	17391	10557	6820	7475	8040	50283
<b>2</b> Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose . . . . .	55519	44880	65724	70152	71014	307289
<b>3</b> Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
<b>4</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf . . . . .						
<b>5</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge . . . . .						
<b>6 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 5 . . . . .	72910	55437	72544	77627	79054	357572
<b>7a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons . . . . .						
<b>b</b> Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year . . . . .						
<b>c</b> Add lines 7a and 7b . . . . .						
<b>8 Public support.</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6.) . . . . .						357572

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2015	(b) 2016	(c) 2017	(d) 2018	(e) 2019	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6 . . . . .	72910	55437	72544	77627	97054	357572
<b>10a</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources . . . . .						
<b>b</b> Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975 . . . . .						
<b>c</b> Add lines 10a and 10b . . . . .						
<b>11</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on . . . . .						
<b>12</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.) . . . . .						
<b>13 Total support.</b> (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.) . . . . .	72910	55437	72544	77627	79054	357572
<b>14 First five years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and <b>stop here</b> . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/>						

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>15</b> Public support percentage for 2019 (line 8, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) . . . . .	<b>15</b>	100 %
<b>16</b> Public support percentage from 2018 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 . . . . .	<b>16</b>	100 %

**Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage**

<b>17</b> Investment income percentage for 2019 (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) . . . . .	<b>17</b>	0 %
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from 2018 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 . . . . .	<b>18</b>	0 %
<b>19a 33 1/3% support tests—2019.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and <b>stop here</b> . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
<b>b 33 1/3% support tests—2018.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and <b>stop here</b> . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>20 Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/>		

**Part IV Supporting Organizations**

(Complete only if you checked a box in line 12 on Part I. If you checked 12a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 12b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 12c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 12d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

**Section A. All Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? If "No," describe in <b>Part VI</b> how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.		
<b>2</b> Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in <b>Part VI</b> how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).		
<b>3a</b> Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.		
<b>b</b> Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? If "Yes," describe in <b>Part VI</b> when and how the organization made the determination		
<b>c</b> Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? If "Yes," explain in <b>Part VI</b> what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.		
<b>4a</b> Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? If "Yes," and if you checked 12a or 12b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below		
<b>b</b> Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? If "Yes," describe in <b>Part VI</b> how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations		
<b>c</b> Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in <b>Part VI</b> what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.		
<b>5a</b> Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in <b>Part VI</b> , including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed; (ii) the reasons for each such action; (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action; and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).		
<b>b Type I or Type II only.</b> Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
<b>c Substitutions only.</b> Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
<b>6</b> Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? If "Yes," provide detail in <b>Part VI</b> .		
<b>7</b> Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (as defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).		
<b>8</b> Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).		
<b>9a</b> Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? If "Yes," provide detail in <b>Part VI</b> .		
<b>b</b> Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in <b>Part VI</b> .		
<b>c</b> Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in <b>Part VI</b> .		
<b>10a</b> Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? If "Yes," answer 10b below		
<b>b</b> Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)		



**Part IV Supporting Organizations** (continued)

	Yes	No
<b>11</b> Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
<b>a</b> A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
<b>b</b> A family member of a person described in (a) above?		
<b>c</b> A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in <b>Part VI</b> .		

**Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? If "No," describe in <b>Part VI</b> how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.		
<b>2</b> Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? If "Yes," explain in <b>Part VI</b> how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.		

**Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? If "No," describe in <b>Part VI</b> how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s)		

**Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?		
<b>2</b> Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? If "No," explain in <b>Part VI</b> how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s)		
<b>3</b> By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? If "Yes," describe in <b>Part VI</b> the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.		

**Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations**

<b>1</b> Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions)		
<b>a</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete <b>line 2</b> below		
<b>b</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete <b>line 3</b> below		
<b>c</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in <b>Part VI</b> how you supported a government entity (see instructions)		
<b>2</b> Activities Test. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
<b>a</b> Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? If "Yes," then in <b>Part VI</b> identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities		
<b>b</b> Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? If "Yes," explain in <b>Part VI</b> the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement		
<b>3</b> Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
<b>a</b> Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? Provide details in <b>Part VI</b> .		
<b>b</b> Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in <b>Part VI</b> the role played by the organization in this regard.		

**Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations**

- 1** ☐ Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970 (explain in Part VI). See instructions. All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A—Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
<b>1</b> Net short-term capital gain	<b>1</b>		
<b>2</b> Recoveries of prior-year distributions	<b>2</b>		
<b>3</b> Other gross income (see instructions)	<b>3</b>		
<b>4</b> Add lines 1 through 3.	<b>4</b>		
<b>5</b> Depreciation and depletion	<b>5</b>		
<b>6</b> Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	<b>6</b>		
<b>7</b> Other expenses (see instructions)	<b>7</b>		
<b>8 Adjusted Net Income</b> (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4)	<b>8</b>		
Section B—Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
<b>1</b> Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year)			
<b>a</b> Average monthly value of securities	<b>1a</b>		
<b>b</b> Average monthly cash balances	<b>1b</b>		
<b>c</b> Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	<b>1c</b>		
<b>d Total</b> (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	<b>1d</b>		
<b>e Discount</b> claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in <b>Part VI</b> ):			
<b>2</b> Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	<b>2</b>		
<b>3</b> Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	<b>3</b>		
<b>4</b> Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	<b>4</b>		
<b>5</b> Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	<b>5</b>		
<b>6</b> Multiply line 5 by .035.	<b>6</b>		
<b>7</b> Recoveries of prior-year distributions	<b>7</b>		
<b>8 Minimum Asset Amount</b> (add line 7 to line 6)	<b>8</b>		
Section C—Distributable Amount			Current Year
<b>1</b> Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	<b>1</b>		
<b>2</b> Enter 85% of line 1.	<b>2</b>		
<b>3</b> Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	<b>3</b>		
<b>4</b> Enter greater of line 2 or line 3.	<b>4</b>		
<b>5</b> Income tax imposed in prior year	<b>5</b>		
<b>6 Distributable Amount.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions).	<b>6</b>		
<b>7</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).			

**Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations (continued)**

Section D—Distributions		Current Year	
1	Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes		
2	Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity		
3	Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations		
4	Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets		
5	Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)		
6	Other distributions (describe in <b>Part VI</b> ). See instructions.		
7	<b>Total annual distributions.</b> Add lines 1 through 6.		
8	Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in <b>Part VI</b> ). See instructions.		
9	Distributable amount for 2019 from Section C, line 6		
10	Line 8 amount divided by line 9 amount		

Section E—Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2019	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2019
1 Distributable amount for 2019 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2019 (reasonable cause required—explain in <b>Part VI</b> ). See instructions.			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2019			
a From 2014			
b From 2015			
c From 2016			
d From 2017			
e From 2018			
f <b>Total</b> of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2019 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2014 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f.			
4 Distributions for 2019 from Section D, line 7 \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2019 distributable amount			
c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4.			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2019, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in <b>Part VI</b> . See instructions.			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2019. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in <b>Part VI</b> . See instructions.			
7 <b>Excess distributions carryover to 2020.</b> Add lines 3j and 4c.			
8 Breakdown of line 7:			
a Excess from 2015			
b Excess from 2016			
c Excess from 2017			
d Excess from 2018			
e Excess from 2019			

**Part VI**

**Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b, Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c, Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a, and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V, Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions.)

Area with horizontal dashed lines for supplemental information.



**Part II Fundraising Events.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

		(a) Event #1 Team Trail (event type)	(b) Event #2 State Team Qualifier (event type)	(c) Other events State Team Qualifier (total number)	(d) Total events (add col (a) through col (c))
Revenue	1 Gross receipts . . . . .	30395	14555		44950
	2 Less: Contributions . . . . .	0	0	0	0
	3 Gross income (line 1 minus line 2) . . . . .	30395	14555		44950
Direct Expenses	4 Cash prizes . . . . .	28230	0		28230
	5 Noncash prizes . . . . .		4072		4072
	6 Rent/facility costs . . . . .				
	7 Food and beverages . . . . .				
	8 Entertainment . . . . .				
	9 Other direct expenses . . . . .				
	10 Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) . . . . . ▶				32302
11 Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) . . . . . ▶				12648	

**Part III Gaming.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (add col (a) through col (c))
Revenue	1 Gross revenue . . . . .				
Direct Expenses	2 Cash prizes . . . . .				
	3 Noncash prizes . . . . .				
	4 Rent/facility costs . . . . .				
	5 Other direct expenses . . . . .				
	6 Volunteer labor . . . . .	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	
	7 Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d) . . . . . ▶				
	8 Net gaming income summary. Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d) . . . . . ▶				

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization conducts gaming activities \_\_\_\_\_

a Is the organization licensed to conduct gaming activities in each of these states? . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "No," explain \_\_\_\_\_

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended, or terminated during the tax year? . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," explain: \_\_\_\_\_

- 11** Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 12** Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust, or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 13** Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in
- |                                      |            |   |
|--------------------------------------|------------|---|
| <b>a</b> The organization's facility | <b>13a</b> | % |
| <b>b</b> An outside facility         | <b>13b</b> | % |
- 14** Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records

Name ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

Address ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

- 15a** Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b** If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- c** If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party:

Name ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

Address ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

**16** Gaming manager information:

Name ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Description of services provided ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Director/officer

☐ Employee

☐ Independent contractor

**17** Mandatory distributions:

- a** Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b** Enter the amount of distributions required under state law to be distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Part IV Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v), and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also provide any additional information. See instructions.

**SCHEDULE O**  
**(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ**

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on  
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

▶ Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for the latest information.

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**2019**

**Open to Public  
Inspection**

Name of the organization

New Hampshire B.A.S.S. Nation

Employer identification number

68-0627457

Form 990EZ, Part I, Line 16 Other Expenses - The amount of \$30,079 was expenses as outlined below

We provide gas to volunteers who tow equipment to our events

We provide plaques to all our winners throughout the year to recognize their accomplishments

We purchase clothing for all our regional and national competitors

We purchase prizes to be given away to random participants to aide in drawing more participants

We have to pay fees to marinas for access to the lakes we fish and these show up as expenses

We purchase various fish care products and tournament supplies such as ribbons, zip ties, etc

Form 990EZ, Part V, Line 34 The word "Federation" was dropped from our name This has been filed with the State of NH See attached  
supporting documents including our "Constitution and By-Laws" and a print out from State of NH



# 2019 New Hampshire B.A.S.S. Nation

## Constitution and By-Laws

### **ARTICLE I: Name and Purpose**

#### *Section 1: Name*

This organization shall be called the New Hampshire B.A.S.S. Nation (N.H.B.N.), a non-profit affiliate of Bass Angler's Sportsman's Society (B.A.S.S.).

#### *Section 2: Purpose*

The N.H.B.N. is a non-profit organization established to preserve and promote the Sport of Bass Fishing, to practice and promote sound environmental policies to conserve our natural resources, to promote youth and public interest in sport fishing and conservation, to work for an abundant, healthy, and self-sustaining bass fishery; to act as an effective voice for the advancement of bass fisheries, to communicate effectively with organizations that impact on the sport of bass fishing, and to support local, state and national agencies and organizations whose objectives are to conserve and manage our national resources.

### **ARTICLE II: Membership**

#### *Section 1: Number of Members*

The New Hampshire B.A.S.S. Nation shall consist of NO LESS than 6 CLUBS. A Club can have no less than six (6) members to be considered a Club. The minimum number of N.H.B.N. members shall be 36. The minimum number of N.H.B.N. members must be 60 in order to compete in the Divisional and National Championships.

#### *Section 2: Requirements for Membership*

B.A.S.S. Nation Club: A Club affiliating with the N.H.B.N. will be required to actively support, promote and care for the N.H.B.N. that will be entitled to all rights and privileges. A Club must be a recognized B.A.S.S. Club and meet all B.A.S.S. Club requirements.

#### *Section 3: Dues*

State dues shall be the same dollar amount as B.A.S.S. Nation National dues. These dues are to be paid at the December meeting for current Club rosters. Additional dues will be collected throughout the year as Clubs add new members.

#### *Section 4: B.A.S.S. Nation Meeting*

The N.H.B.N. will hold general membership meetings during the third week of each month. The Board of Directors will meet at any time deemed necessary to conduct B.A.S.S. Nation business. The day of the week for all meetings shall be determined by the Board of Directors.

#### *Section 5. Club in Good Standing*

To be considered a Club in good standing, a B.A.S.S. Nation Club will be required to attend 75% of the monthly general membership meetings and hold at least one verifiable environmental project, such as a lake clean-up project before or after a club tournament. Any B.A.S.S. Nation Club failing to maintain 75% attendance at the general membership meeting and hold at least one verifiable environmental project, such as a lake cleanup project before or after a club tournament may be notified and Club in good Standing status will be suspended for a period of one year.

An excused absence from a monthly membership meeting will be given on emergency basis only. The B.A.S.S. Nation President must be notified within 24 hours of the nature of the emergency. If the B.A.S.S. Nation President cannot be reached the B.A.S.S. Nation Vice-President may then be contacted.

Additionally, each club will be required to support one Junior Bassmaster or High School event each year. Requirements/schedule/needs will be determined by the Youth Director. Failure to supply the minimum support (2 boats per club) will jeopardize the clubs "Club in good standing" status.

### **ARTICLE III: Officers, Club Representatives and Duties**

#### *Section 1: Officers and Their Duties*

The Officers of NH B.A.S.S. Nation shall consist of: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The Board of Directors do not have voting rights except in the case of a tie, when the President may cast a vote as a tie breaker. The NH B.A.S.S. Nation Board of Directors cannot simultaneously serve on a competing organization's Board of Directors.

#### *Section 2: Duties of the Board of Directors*

**President** The President will preside over meetings of the Board and open meetings of the N.H.B.N., supervise all N.H.B.N. activities, be the official representative of the N.H.B.N., votes as a tie breaker, prepares the following years' proposed budget (to be presented annually at the October meeting, discussed in November, and voted on in December), and serves as a liaison between the N.H.B.N. and B.A.S.S.

**Vice President:** The Vice President will serve as acting President in the absence of or vacancy of the President, and perform other duties as delegated by the President.

**Secretary.** The Secretary will serve as acting President in the absence of both the President and Vice-President, provide a record of meetings to all Board members and Club Representatives within the week following each N.H.B.N. meeting keeping current and accurate official records of the N.H.B.N., submit appropriate documents necessary for the N.H.B.N.'s compliance to state regulations, affiliation requirements with National B.A.S.S., also to perform other Secretary duties as delegated by the President or acting President.

**Treasurer:**

The Treasurer will serve as President when no other officers are present; be responsible for the receipt, disbursement and banking of all N.H.B.N. monies, maintain accurate records and providing a current financial statement to all Board members and Club Representatives at each regularly scheduled meeting; should be bonded, participate in an Annual Financial Report, and perform Treasurer related duties as delegated by the President or acting President.

#### *Section 3: B.A.S.S. Nation Club Representatives and Their Duties*

Each B.A.S.S. Nation Club will Appoint annually in January, a delegate, known as a Club Representative, to represent that Club at all B.A.S.S. Nation meetings. The Club Representative shall have the responsibility of carrying back to their Club an accurate verbal or written report of B.A.S.S. Nation meetings and voting results. Only B.A.S.S. Nation Club Representatives will have the authority to cast their Club's vote on all matters. Each B.A.S.S. Nation Club Representative will be entitled to one vote. A B.A.S.S. Nation Board Member can serve as their club's representative.

## **ARTICLE IV: Elections, Vacancies, and Eligibility**

### *Section 1: Eligibility for holding office*

Be a member in good standing for a period of one full year.

### *Section 2: Term of Office*

The terms of office shall be staggered as such:

President	2 Year Term
Vice-President	1 Year Term
Treasurer	2 Year Term
Secretary	1 Year Term

### *Section 3: Vacancies*

In the event of an office becoming vacant, nominations will be called for from each Club. If more than one candidate is obtained, an election will be held. In the event a candidate is not obtained, a blind draw will be held of all clubs in N.H.B.N. The club drawn will supply an officer at the next meeting.

### *Section 4: Election procedures*

Annually, in October, each N.H.B.N. affiliated Club will nominate and submit to the current Board of Directors, three candidates to fill the expired term of current officers. These nominees need not be from the respective nominating Club. The B.A.S.S. Nation Secretary will compile a list of nominees along with a declaration as to which office each nominee is seeking. Said list is to be returned to the Clubs prior to November 31st. In December, each Club will cast a vote for each expired office. These votes will be presented to the current Board in a sealed envelope marked "Election Results" and signed by the representative club President and Secretary. These election results will be tabulated by the current Board of Directors at the N.H.B.N. meeting held in December each year. The newly elected officers will be in their duties on January 1st to continue until term expires.

### *Section 5: Proposed Changes and Voting Procedures*

Proposed changes to the B.A.S.S. Nation By-laws and Rules may be submitted only by Club delegates. By-laws may be changed once a year with recommended changes submitted in writing in October, discussed in November and voted on in December. These proposals can be adjusted based on the discussions in the November meeting if the submitting Club agrees with the proposed adjustments. In the event the submitting Club agrees with the proposed adjustments, they need to incorporate those adjustments into the final copy which will be voted on in December. Otherwise, the original submittal will be voted on "as is" at the December meeting. Approved changes will become effective January 1st. With the following exceptions, by-laws changes can be made under abnormal or extreme conditions during the year but require 100% agreement by all Club Representatives. The President will only vote in case of a tie. In which case, this decision will be final. Each Club Representative is entitled to one vote, majority rules.

## **ARTICLE V: Standing Committees**

The Board, by simple plurality vote, will appoint the following standing committees, and such other special committees as may become necessary. The terms of appointment to the standing committees shall be one year.

To be eligible for appointment, a prospective candidate must be a member of B.A.S.S. and a B.A.S.S. Club affiliated with the N.H.B.N. Each committee chairman will be appointed by the Board of Directors.

#### *Section 1: Environmental Committee*

The number of members to serve on this committee shall be determined by the Board. The purpose of this committee shall be to protect our natural environment from harmful change, to document and report to the proper authorities, violations of local, state and federal anti-pollution laws, statutes, regulations ordinances and other regulatory devise, to take political action to improve our environment, to take legal action, where appropriate, to undertake informational and educational programs to bring to the public a great awareness of threats to our environment, and, above all, to take a leadership role in repairing the harm that has already been done to the life giving water of America.

#### *Section 2: Tournament Committee and Tournament Director*

The Tournament Director is an elected position with a one year term of office. The Tournament Committee for all B.A.S.S. Nation Tournaments shall consist of the State Team members and the Tournament Director. The State Team members assigned to the committee will change each year after the new State Team is determined. The purpose of the Tournament Director is to oversee the committee and plan, organize and operate B.A.S.S. Nation sanctioned tournaments within the State of New Hampshire, and if appropriate, the surrounding states, to select sites, collect entry fees, determine eligibility, set an awards list and rule with final authority and proper conduct, procedures and qualifications on all sanctioned tournaments. Provided however, that all such state Club tournaments will be conducted within the spirit and letter of the current B.A.S.S. Nation Tournament Rules and other applicable rules. Tournament rules conflicts will be resolved by the Tournament Director.

All state tournaments (STQT) will be open to NHBN members 16 years of age or older. It will be the primary duty of the state tournament committee to so conduct it's affairs that only honor, integrity, sportsmanship and the highest ideas of fair play will accrue to it, and thus to each and every member of Bass Angler's Sportsman's Society.

#### *Section 3. Youth Activities Committee*

The number of members to serve on this committee shall be a one-to-one ratio with the number of Clubs having a B.A.S.S. affiliated youth club. The purpose of this committee shall be to plan, organize and implement all B.A.S.S. Nation funded activities of their respective youth clubs.

#### *Section 4: Special Committee*

Special committees may be formed by the Board, but only for closely defined purposes. Special committees may not supersede or otherwise infringe upon the duties and responsibilities of standing committees.

### **ARTICLE VI: Affiliations, Qualification, Responsibilities & Funding of the State Team**

#### *Section 1. Participation and Qualification*

Participation in the NHBN State Team Qualifying Tournament is open only to Members and Clubs in good standing within the New Hampshire B.A.S.S. Nation. Eligibility of individual Club member participants shall be determined by their respective Clubs.

If a participant was placed on the pairings for the S.T.Q.T. and does not complete both days of competition without a valid, verifiable reason will automatically forfeit their entry fee and is banded

from the following years S.T.Q.T. That individual will have seven (7) days from the first day of the S.T.Q.T. to submit, verbally or in writing to the Tournament Director or the B.A.S.S. Nation President, their reason for not showing up. The determination by the Director or President will be final.

At the meeting prior to the S.T.Q.T., each affiliated Club, through their Representative, will make known their participation level in the S.T.Q.T. The entry fee for the State Team Qualifying Tournament will be \$170.00 for Anglers and \$120.00 for co-anglers. Entry Fees along with a copy of required insurance will be collected at the meeting prior to the S.T.Q.T.

## *Section 2: The State Team and Funding*

If a member of the State Team does not fulfill his or her duties as a State Team Member they

1. Will not be allowed to fish the S.T.Q.T. for one year.
2. Will not be allowed to fish the Eastern Regional Tournament.
3. Will be held accountable per the current signed state team contract.

Prior notification, to the State Team Captain and the President, of a good and reasonable situation, may allow the team member one exemption of his or her duties, but said team member must still have his/her work station covered by a member of his/her club. Any Club not fulfilling this requirement may be notified, after a majority vote of Club Representatives, that their "Club in Good Standing" status may be suspended for a period of one (1) year.

As an incentive for all participants on the NH State Team, the tournament team winnings awarded to them during the Eastern Regional will be divided as follows.

1. Twenty five percent (25%) of the tournament winnings will go the "general operating account" or "State Team account" for the following year. The Board of Directors will have discretion on where to use the funds.
2. Seventy five percent (75%) of the tournament winnings will be divided among the state team participants evenly. In the event that product only has been won by the state team, the team will have to wait until the product is either auctioned or sold in order to receive their winnings.
3. Any contingency money won by an angler due to the products they own will be one hundred percent (100%) allocated to the angler as well as the individual payouts.

In the event an angler qualifies for the Bassmaster Classic, N.H.B.N. will provide up to \$2,000.00 for the competitor based on the funds available in the Bassmaster Classic account. If the account has less than \$2,000, N.H.B.N. can provide an interest free loan from the operating account to the competitor for the balance. A promissory note will have to be signed by the angler to take advantage of the loan.

Any monies won by the competitor at the B.A.S.S. Nation National Championship and Bassmaster Classic will be 100% allocated to the angler.

Anglers competing in the Eastern Regional, National Championship, and Bassmaster Classic will be required to wear sponsor clothing as determined by the current contract commitments of N.H.B.N. In the event an angler chooses not to support N.H.B.N. in this manner, then all support to the anglers as outlined above will be voided.

The funding of the State Team and National Qualifiers will be based on a budget proposed by the President. Only Reasonable & Customary expenses should be taken into account when developing these general budgets; meaning that mileage, boat gas, hotels, launch fees, licenses,

etc should be based on what is reasonable & customary. Any additional funds needed beyond what is outlined in the budget are the responsibility of the individuals.

## **ARTICLE VII: State Team Qualifying Tournament**

### *Section 1: Site Selection*

Site selection will be the responsibility of the Tournament Director and the Board of Directors. Site selection will be made at the October meeting thereby allowing sufficient time to complete permit applications for Department of Fish and Game. The Tournament Committee is responsible for all tournament preparations, i.e. launching, over-night accommodations, scoreboard, public relations, and conducting the weigh in.

### *Section 2. Pre-Tournament Practice*

The tournament waters shall be off limits to all competitors starting:

1. Monday midnight prior to the first competition day.
2. There shall be no off limits period for STQT's held outside the state of New Hampshire.

The off limits dates can be obtained from your Club Rep. or by calling any board member. The competitor must know and observe these dates.

During the off limits period, a competitor may not have the assistance or advice of anyone for the purposes of locating or catching bass unless that person is a fellow competitor in the tournament. A competitor may not be on the tournament water during the off limits period. Competitors may only travel on the tournament water (from other launches), before and after competition day launch & weigh-in.

### *Section 3: Tournament Rules*

The current Official Rules of Bass Angler's Sportsman's Society Nation Tournaments and the current N.H.B.N. Tournament Rules will serve as the Official Rules for the N.H.B.N. State Team Qualifying Tournament, as well as the rules for all sanctioned B.A.S.S. Nation Tournaments. In the event there is a conflict between these two sets of rules, the N.H.B.N. Tournament Rules shall take precedence. Proposed changes to of these tournament rules will be submitted by the Club Representatives at the January meeting, discussed at the February meeting, and voted on at the March Meeting. Proposed changes will be adopted by majority vote of the B.A.S.S. Nation Club Representatives and will be effect for the next B.A.S.S. Nation Tournament.