



## BASS CLASS – COURSE SYLLABUS

### GET HOOKED FISHING SCHOOL

#### 6-MONTH COURSE

#### 2015 BASS CLASS

Get trained on different rod and reel set-ups, differences in fishing line, fishing knots, artificial baits and lures while the fish GET HOOKED! Navigate, control and read topographical maps and electronics for the guide into waters UNKNOWN. Learn environmental conservation, catch and release, boater safety, comradery, and positive fishing etiquette to stand out from the rest, but most of all to enjoy the sport of fishing. Think, Adapt, and React instantly to the fishing environment with bass fishing techniques that only you will have. Pitch, Jig, Crank, and finesse your way through the spring, summer, and fall month patterns for all weather situations. Learn on one of the top national bass fishing lakes in the country right here in Upstate New York...on beautiful Oneida Lake.

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## LEARNING OUTCOMES

### MISSION STATEMENT

To improve all anglers' skill level as it relates to fishing, environment, conservation, but most of all to enjoy the sport of fishing. Let's all strive to become better people that will contribute to nature and society in a positive way.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of this course you will:

- Have learned important Life lessons, Different Fishing Techniques, and Applications
- Be able to pick the right Rod, Reel, Line, Fishing Knots, Tackle, and Rigs for Large and Smallmouth Bass
- Know how to fish Bass in all Weather and Water conditions
- Understand preserving the Lake Environment and Conservation

## COURSE STRUCTURE

Get Hooked! fishing classes are conducted in both a classroom as well as a professional outdoor setting, which means you will engage in both a traditional learning environment and hands-on workshops. Each class will be 3 hours long, and will provide detailed information about the class topic or fishing applications for that class.

## COURSE REQUIREMENTS

### NYS FISHING LICENCE

- It is a requirement that all participants obtain a NYS fishing license.

### ROD AND REEL

- Each participant is responsible to come prepared with a rod and reel for outdoor sessions at the lake.

### PROPER ATTIRE

- Please come to all outdoor sessions prepared with appropriate attire suitable for that day's weather conditions. We recommend ponchos, water-resistant materials, jackets or other outdoor-appropriate clothing as each participant is responsible for their own comfort level.

**NOTE:** If you have any concerns or financial reasons you are unable to obtain these course requirements, please contact your instructor, Mike Pikulinski.

## COURSE COMMUNICATION

### ANNOUNCEMENTS & E-MAIL

Announcements will be posted on the GetHooked.com website, as well as sent out through E-mail. Each participant is required to provide a personal e-mail address for the program to effectively distribution class announcements and news.

## COURSE PARTICIPATION POLICY

Participation is essential to getting the most out of your Get Hooked! experience, for this reason, attendance is highly recommended to all of our program participants. Consistent failure to attend classes may prevent you from receiving your official end-of-course certificate of achievement.

## WORKSHOP ASSIGNMENTS

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Each month you may have the following assignments:

- In-class quizzes
- Hands-on testing
- Class reading assignments

## OTHER COURSE POLICIES

### PROGRAM DROP

If a participant chooses to forgo their enrollment in any of the Get Hooked programs, this must be decided before the start date of class. After this deadline, all payments become non-refundable.

### STUDENT CONDUCT

We do expect all Get Hooked participants to respect one another and follow proper classroom etiquette. The goal is for each person to get the most out of their program experience.

This means that you should:

- Avoid being disruptive during classes
- Refrain from smoking and/or using tobacco products during any workshop or class session
- Attend and be on time to all possible sessions
- Refrain from using derogatory and profane language during class
- Silence cell phones to avoid distractions during class.

## PROGRAM SCHEDULE

CLASS SESSION	DATE	LOCATION	LESSON TOPICS
Promo Event	July	Big Bay, Oneida Lake	Elite Pro Kick-off Day
Class 1	September	Big Bay, Oneida Lake	- Bass Basics - Applying the Basics
Class 2	October	Big Bay, Oneida Lake	- "Game Time" - "In the thick of things, or off in the deep end?" <b>Guest Speaker: DEC</b>
Class 3	November	Big Bay, Oneida Lake	- "Dog Days" - "Falling Short"

Class 4	December	Big Bay, Oneida Lake	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- "Winter is Near"</li> <li>- "Winterization Thinking"</li> </ul> <b>Guest Speaker:</b> Mercury Motors Rep.
Class 5	January	Big Bay, Oneida Lake	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- "Honing Your Skills"</li> <li>- "New Year/New Gear"</li> </ul>
Class 6	February	Big Bay, Oneida Lake	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- "Boater Safety Class" presented by Gene Cochran</li> <li>- "Graduation"</li> </ul>



