

“ALABAMA RIG” in our Circuit & Open Tournaments this season.

After attending the FLW/TBF Ohio Bass Federation State Meeting today, we spoke to representatives from ODNR on their stance for this controversial rig. They’re view is that it IS legal in Ohio as long as there are only “3 hooks” being used and the 2 remaining spreaders are only baited with hookless “drones” or attractors. They further determined that the 3 ‘hooks” used could be a single baited hook or a treble hook.

HOWEVER... after speaking to several other directors from other circuits attending, we concluded that it would be almost impossible to enforce the “3 hook rule” and we all felt that it would give the user an UNFAIR ADVANTAGE over other competitors, PLUS, use of the Alabama Rig could even begin to decimate the bass population in some of our smaller fisheries. The negative scenarios to our Circuit and others in Ohio are many, and those of us in attendance have agreed to BAN THE USE OF THE ALABAMA RIG IN ANY FORM from our tournaments.

In a nut shell, ANY FORM of the Alabama Rig WILL NOT BE ALLOWED and anyone found to be using this rig in our tournaments will be immediately disqualified.

Some of you may feel this move is unfair, but if you respect our resources (the Bass) you will understand why we have made this decision.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us anytime.