



Ceremonies

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FIPS-Mouche International Sport Fly Fishing Federation

Opening parade.

All participants will be formed to a queue in ascending alphabetical order of present countries, host country at the end. Opening march to the place of opening ceremony is to be led by team of FIPS-Mouche and International Supervisors (carrying the flag of FIPS-Mouche).

Opening Ceremony.

General Instructions. As a minimum, the speeches should be translated into English. The welcome should include a special welcome to the main sponsors. The International Organiser is responsible for briefing the speakers on the necessity for them to be brief, to speak slowly and to pause frequently to allow Interpreters to translate.

Program:

- 1. Official Welcome.** This should come from the President or International Organizer which issued the invitation to teams to participate. This should be followed by a welcome to the country from a Representative of the National Government, if one is present, or by the local Mayor or equivalent official.
- 2. Statement of Olympic ideals.** Should be read by a Competitor, possibly the Captain of Host country or by the youngest competitor or a former World Champion. To be decided by consultation between the International Organiser and the senior FIPS-Mouche representative present.
- 3. Opening of the Championships.** President of FIPS-Mouche, or his representative, thanks the Hosts for their welcome and then declares the Championship officially open.

Closing Parade

Same procedure as opening parade.

Closing Ceremony

Site. A site should be chosen which provides good opportunities for TV and photo journalists. The sun should not be directly facing participants or the cameras. The banners and signage of main sponsors should be arranged to give maximum prominence.

National Anthems. Prior to the Closing Ceremony, the International Organiser must liaise with Team Captains to ensure that the correct National Anthems, or equivalents, of Gold Medal winners are selected and played.

Presentations. The International Organiser must also consult with the President of FIPS-Mouche, or his representative, on who should present the medals. The FIPS-Mouche President or his Representative awards gold medallist/s (individuals and teams) and Host Country representatives upon discretion of organizers will present all other medals. The assistance handing the medals on a pillow is highly recommended.

Podium. The Olympic 3 level large size podium is to be used. The winner/s stand/s in the highest level, the silver medallist/s stand/s on the right-hand side of the gold medallist/s and the bronze is on the lowest platform.

Program:

- 1. Official Welcome.** This should come from the President or International Organizer, optionally followed by a speeches of the country from a Representative of the National Government, if one is present, or by the local Mayor or equivalent official.
- 2. Medal ceremony.** The International Organiser or Master of Ceremonies calls out Individual winners in reverse order. Each Medal winner is presented with an appropriate medal, as the National flag is raised and for the Gold Medal holder an appropriate National Anthem is played. Each Individual winner then takes his place on the Podium. The procedure for the presentation of the team Medals is the same as for the Individual winners as above.

3. **Conclusion.** On conclusion of the presentation of Medals it is customary for a representative of the Host Country to make a few remarks, which again need to be translated. The Closing Ceremony is concluded by the remarks of the President of FIPS-Mouche or his Representative who officially closes the Championship.

Final Banquet

This should be an informal and jolly occasion and provides the opportunity for sponsors to present any additional prizes to competitors or for the exchange of gifts and mementoes.

In case of the Senior World Championship a parchment, which originated in Norway in 1994, is passed on by the International Organiser to a representative of the next following Host country.

Any concluding speeches or activities are decided by the Host country.