



Euro/Ladies 2021 cancelled

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FIPS-Mouche International Sport Fly Fishing

Following recently published COVID strategy and cancellation process to be applied on 2021 FIPS-Mouche championships and taking into account the results of online status meetings with International Organizers, FIPS-Mouche Board **due to Covid situation decides to cancel:**

- **26th FIPS-Mouche European Fly Fishing Championship 2021 Norway**
- **1st FIPS-Mouche World Ladies Fly Fishing Championship 2021 Norway**

After the recent holiday there was a significant increase in virus spreading with mutated variants. Soon the Easter holidays are upcoming and there is expected even more spreading of COVID-19 due to this. The Government has announced that large part (regions) of the country in lockdown at this time (new update 16.4.2021). Herewith some restrictions as of today:

- In order to limit the risk of infections imported from abroad, the government further tightened non-Norwegian citizens' entitlement to enter Norway.
 - o Non-Norwegian citizens resident in Norway.
 - o The border is effectively closed to all non-Norwegian citizens who are not residents of Norway. Norwegian citizens are always entitled to enter Norway
 - o Register 72 hours prior arrival
 - o Persons arriving from abroad must also provide proof of a negative test taken no earlier than 24 hours prior to entering Norway.
 - o All persons arriving in Norway must take a test at the border.
 - o All arrivals must quarantine in a quarantine hotel (for 10 days).
 - o Only elite sporting events are permitted
- Events that bring people together from different municipalities should be postponed or cancelled.

Norway has delayed vaccine program (stopped Astra Zeneca at time) and will most likely restrict this summer as a minimum be:

- Register 72 hours prior arrival
- Persons arriving from abroad must also provide proof of a negative test taken no earlier than 24 hours prior to entering Norway.
- All persons arriving in Norway must take a test at the border.
- All foreign citizen arrivals must quarantine in a quarantine hotel (7- 10 days).

The Government expects that regular tourism will be possible not earlier than August/September.

As of today FIPS-Mouche Board starts an intensive communication with all affected future host countries (category Euro/Ladies) on alternative to shift all scheduled future events by one year in order the above cancelled event for 2021 can be postponed to 2022. FIPS-Mouche will inform all Members on any progress in this matter.

Best wishes and stay all safe

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