



**27th FIPS-Mouche European Fly Fishing Championship
Covilha, Portugal 22 - 28 May 2023**

RULE MODIFICATIONS

[FIPS-Mouche](#) has appointed Portugal to be the host country for the 27th FIPS-Mouche European Fly Fishing Championship to be held in Covilha, Portugal. These Rule Modifications apply to the [latest published FIPS-Mouche Competition Rules](#).

Article 2 : General Information

2.2. Add: Four sessions will be held in rivers, bank fishing, wading allowed. One session will be held on a lake, bank fishing, wading not allowed. Sectors and rotation matrix are described in annex A.

Article 9: Bank Fishing Competitions

9.3. Add: The beats on the river will be an average of 350 (three hundred and fifty) meters without buffer zones. The length of the beats on the still water sectors will be from 50 to 100 (fifty to one hundred) meters with buffer zones.

9.7 Add: Wading is only allowed on the river sectors, chest waders may be worn.

Add 9.9 : During the lake fishing there will be 4 rotations 45 minutes fishing time each with 15 minutes rotation time.

Article 11: Duration of events, scoring and practice sessions

11.3. Add: The hours for fishing will be in the program of the championship: from 09:30 to 12:30 (13:15 for the lake sector)

11.4. Add: All practice fishing prior to the championship will be catch and release, using only barbless hooks.

Article 24: Eligible fish

Add: Eligible fish species:

During bank fishing River: Brown trout (*Salmo trutta*), Nase (*Chondrostoma nasus*), Barbel (*Barbus barbus*) with minimum size of 200 mm.

During bank fishing Lake : Brown Trout(*Salmo Trutta*), Rainbow Trout (*Oocorhynchus mykiss*), Northern Iberian chub (*squalius carolitertii*) with a minimum size of 200 mm

Measuring will be done from the tip of the nose to the extremities of the tail, squeezed together.

Article 29 : Competition flies

29.6 Change : A maximum of 3 flies is allowed for the lake fishing, 2 flies for the river fishing.

Article 33 : Awarding of points

33.1 For each eligible fish caught, a competitor will score 100 points.

33.2 Competitors will receive 20 points per centimetre length of each eligible fish.

Sectors

I	Bank – River Zêzere (upper) Manteigas
II	Bank - River Alva Vila nova de Poiares
III	Bank – River Paul Covilhã
IV	Bank – River Zêzere (lower)
V	Bank – Lake Vale do Rossim Gouveia

Rotation Matrix between Sectors

	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
GROUPS	23 May	24 May	25 May	26 May	27 May
A	I	II	III	IV	V
B	II	III	IV	V	I
C	III	IV	V	I	II
D	IV	V	I	II	III
E	V	I	II	III	IV