

43<sup>rd</sup> FIPS-Mouche World Fishing Championship Font Romeu, France 23-30 June 2024

# **RULES MODIFICATIONS**

<u>FIPS-Mouche</u> has appointed France to be the host country for the 43<sup>rd</sup> FIPS-Mouche World Fly Fishing Championship to be held Font Romeu, France. These Rule Modifications apply to the <u>latest published FIPS-Mouche Competition Rules</u>.

## **Article 2 : General Information**

The championship program shows 7 days . One extra day has been added, due to time schedule of fishing sessions, logistics and to allow for symposium, cultural activity , medals ceremony, closing ceremony and banquet.

The organisers will adhere to an environmental charter. The welcome package will contain a used tippet storage system, thus all nylon or fluo carbon leftovers will not go into nature.

The maximum number of participating teams is set to 30.

**2.2. Add** Three sessions will be held in rivers, bank fishing, wading allowed. Two sessions will be held in lakes, bank fishing, no wading allowed.

### **Article 9: Bank Fishing Competitions**

**9.3. Change:** The approximate average length of the beats will vary from sector to sector and depend on the number of teams registered :

- Sector I VICDESSOS river 2 x 350 m
- Sector II CARLITS lakes 200 m
- Sector III TET river 2 x 350 m
- Sector IV CAMPORELLS lakes 150 m
- Sector V AUDE river 2 x 350 m

**9.4 Add**: Upon instruction by the competitor the controller may follow the angler in the water along the riverbank or even cross the river when required. Controllers, if required, will be equipped with wading equipment to do this.

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

# Article 11: Duration of events, scoring and practice sessions

## 11.1 Add:

<u>River fishing</u> : the sessions will be split into 2 subsessions and so fishing 2 different beats during 2 x 2 hours with about 1 hour rotation time. The beat in the second subsession will not have been fished in the first subsession. The pairing of the beats for the 2 subsessions will be communicated within 1 month after registration closure. No change of the controller between the two subsessions. Each controller will manage the transportation to the next beat of his competitor during the rotation.

<u>Lake Fishing</u>: On the lake sectors there will be 3 rotations , fishing 4 beats during 1 hour with 45 minutes rotation time.

The rotation system will be communicated within 1 month after registration closure. No change of the controller between the two subsessions. Each controller will guide his competitor to the next beat during the rotation.

**11.3 Add:** The hours for fishing will be in the program of the championship : from 08:30 to 15:00 hrs

On lakes the total fishing time will be 4 hours.

<u>On rivers</u> the total fishing time will be 4 hours. A change over time, after 2 hours at the end of the first subsession, is foreseen. Before the start of the second subsession there will be a 30 minute preparation time.

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

# Article 14 : Obligations of competitors

**Add** : all used tippet material must be stored in the tippet storage holder provided by the organsisation in the goody bag.

# Article 23: Care of fish caught

**23.1.** Add: When the competitor wants to score a fish, she/ he has to make sure, that the fish is all the time submerged in the water if possible, while bringing the fish to the controller. If not, that catch will be disallowed, and thus not registered on the scoresheet.

# Article 25: Eligible fish

25.1. Add: Eligible fish species:

Brown Trout (Salmo Trutta Fario), Rainbow Trout (Oncorhynchus mykiss), Grayling (Thymallus Thymallus), with a minimum lenght of 200mm.

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

#### **Article 33: Awarding of points**

33.1 points per fish : 100.

33.2 points per centimetre of the fish's total length : 20.

#### Annex A

#### **Rotation Matrix**.

•	Sector I	VICDESSOS river	Bank Fishing
•	Sector II	CARLITS lake	Bank Fishing
•	Sector III	TET river	Bank Fishing
•	Sector IV	CAMPORELLS lake	Bank fishing
•	Sector V	AUDE river	Bank fishing

## **Rotation Matrix between Sectors**

Group	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4	Session 5
	24 June	25 June	26 June	27 June	28 June
Α	I	II	111	IV	v
В	II		IV	V	I
С		IV	V	I	II
D	IV	V	I	II	III
E	V	I	II	III	IV