

European Federation of Sea Anglers Malta Section

European Shore Fishing Championships

16th - 20th November, 2015

Malta

The Official Head Quarters



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Welcome to Malta

There is a saying in Maltese which says "Essence is found in small bottles".

For various reasons, I wouldn't dare to elaborate more but, would prefer to leave this for your kind judgement.

It is our great pleasure to first of all invite you our dear EFSA Members to the 2015 EFSA Shore Fishing Championships in Malta where together with your Guests, you will also enjoy the beauty that our Country and the Mediterranean Sea offers.

While feeling honoured that EFSA – Malta was accepted to hold these prestigious Championships, I must also say that this will be the opening of a wide spectrum to the sport fishing in Malta.

This is due to the fact that these will be the very first Shore Fishing Championships to be organized and held in our Country.

The fishing method to be used at the European Shore Fishing Championships in Malta is somehow different to the one that was used in the previous Championships.

As the Mediterranean Sea offers a great challenge to Anglers who prefer to fish for Mullet, Scad / Mediterranean Trevally and the Salema beside others, the fixed or running float system and the fine tip rod will surely be required.

This does not hold back those deep sea Anglers who prefer to fish for Breams, Rainbow Wrasse, Parrot Fish and other bottom found species.

Whilst looking forward to meet you and your guests in November, we are confident that the combination of our climate, heritage and above all our hospitality, will surely make your stay in our Country a truly memorable one.



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The Championship Venues

To be chosen from:

- Marsaskala (Żonqor Point)
- Valletta (Marsamxetto)
- Sliema
- Pembroke
- Baħar iċ-Ċagħaq



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Monday 16 th		Training
Tuesday 17 th	09.00 hrs	Sight Seeing Tour
	19.30hrs	Registrations Official Opening Ceremony (in Uniform) Drawing of Zones Reception
Wednesday 18 th	09.00 hrs	Distribution of Bait at match location Draw of Peg Numbers
	11.00 - 16.00 hrs	The Championships (1 st Match)
Thursday 19 th	09.00 hrs	Distribution of Bait at match location Draw of Peg Numbers
	11.00 - 16.00 hrs	The Championships (2 nd Match)
Friday 20 th	07.00 hrs	Distribution of Bait at match location Draw of Peg Numbers
	09.00 - 14.00 hrs	The Championships (Final Match)
	20.00 hrs	Closing Ceremony Dinner (in Uniform)

Notes:

- Times of fishing may vary.
- Safety / Waterproof shoes or boots are recommended



Bait provided for each Championship Match



Two (2) Boxes of Worms (Hniex) approx 40 worms in total



250 gr. Shrimps (Gambli tal Friza)



350 gr. Bogue (Vopi)



2 pieces Milk Based Dry Dough



1 Kilo Ground Bait (Cheese based) 2 Kilo Breadcrumbs (ground bait mixture)

Note:

Bait and ground bait for the training day is not included in the package.

However, these can be ordered from the organizers in advance by not later than the 31st October 2015



European Shore Fishing Championships Rules - Malta 2015

- The Championships will be run under the rules of EFSA Malta and that of the European Federation of Sea Anglers in force at the time of going to print. Any of these rules can only be adjusted or changed by a dispensation being asked for and approved at a Standing Committee Meeting.
- Only 1 rod and reel may be used at any time at sea.
 Another 2 spare rods can be fully assembled but, excluding bait.
 All spare rods cannot at any time be facing the sea.
 Additional to the 2 spare rods, shall be kept completely disassembled.
- 3. Spare loose traces without bait are allowed.
- 4. The use of fine tip rod, fixed or running Floats and Ground baiting are permitted.
- 5. Fishing and / or Ground baiting is Not allowed at any time prior to the starting signal of each Championship session.

Only sea depth measuring and other fishing related preparations (on shore), are permitted before any starting signal.

6. A maximum of two (2) single hooks are allowed on each trace. Double hooks are not allowed.

Each hook size shall be a minimum of 5mm (approx. Size 10)

7. A casting weight of less than 50 grams does not require a shock leader.

However, should the casting weight exceed the 50 grams, a 7 meter shock leader of a minimum 24 kg breaking strain is required.

- 8. No Pendulum Casting is allowed at any time.
- 9. The distribution of bait and the peg draw are done at the Championships venue approximately two (2) hours prior to the starting signal of each session
- 10. The only bait allowed during the Championships is the one supplied by EFSA Malta with NO bait additives.
- 11. Unused bait must be returned to the organizers at the end of each session and not carried over. Failure to comply will result in disqualification.
- 12. Each competitor must bait their own hooks, cast and retrieve their own tackle/ trace and net / land the fish.
- 13. Each competitor will act as a steward and must make themselves fully aware of the rules. Additional non competing stewards by EFSA Malta will also be available.
- 14. The Competitors must only offer live fish for measurement.
- 15. All fish (measured or undersized) must be released immediately with the exception of Salema (xilpa), Saddled Bream (kahlija), and, Mullet (mulett). These will be collected by the EFSA Malta stewards and placed temporarily in a holding tank who will release them hourly.

- 16. The releasing of any fish (measured or undersized) shall be done in the non fishing area between each competing angler and, in full view of the neighbour angler.
- 17. In the event of any non live fish, these shall be kept by any of the EFSA Malta stewards and is disposed in a proper manner after the ending of each session.
- 18. All fish measured in centimetres from nose to tail and must be over 15cm except for the following dangerous considered species. Any size of these species are recorded as follows:
 - a. Scorpion or Rock Fish (Skorfon) 15cm
 - b. All type of Ray and Skate (Rajja u Hamiema) 40cm
 - c. Moray Eel (Mrejjen) and Conger Eel (Gringu) 60cm
- 19. Competitors, who attempt to increase the length of any fish, will be immediately disqualified.
- 20. Squid (Klamari), Cuttlefish (Sicc), Octupus (Qarnit), Streaked Weaver (Traċna) and / or any non fish like creature do NOT count for measurement.
- 21. The competitor's score card must be signed by, either a competing or a non competing steward and endorsed by the competing angler for every fish measured. At the end of each session, the total number of fish caught shall be signed upon by both the steward and the competitor.
- 22. No points will be given unless each fish measurement is signed upon.
- 23. Any fish caught must be measured and signed for before, the same angler can reel in again.
- 24. The signed score card and the peg marker must be returned to the zone chief steward by the competing angler after each session and before leaving the Championship venue.
- 25. No litter must be left by any angler
- 26. Any infringement shall lead to Disqualifications
- 27. The relevant team captain must hand any complaint in writing to the Organizers within one (1) hour of the termination of the day's session
- 28. The protest committee will consist of Phil Lustig (EFSA HQ), Sandra Agius Darmanin (EFSA Malta) and three (3) other delegates, one each from any three other representing Countries. The delegate of the protesting Country shall have no vote.
- 29. The results will be displayed at the HQ Hotel within six (6) hours after the ending of each Championship session.
- 30. The Organizers shall not be liable for any loss or damage of whatsoever nature incurred at any time before, during or after the Championships.

Point System

Preliminary -

Fish caught = 1 point per cm + 5 points per fish (In case of a tie - The amount of fish caught will determine the place to be awarded.)

Intermediate -

The Zone winner will receive the equivalent points of the amount of anglers in the zone

i.e If a zone has 9 anglers, the winner of the zone will get 9 points. The second place angler will get 8 points and so on...

Final

The winner of the Championships will be that angler who will get the most intermediate points over the 3 days

In case of a tie, the total amount of the preliminary point system will determine the place to be awarded.

If the situation persists, the amount of fish caught will determine the place to be awarded

Fish measurements are taken from Nose to Tail fin (Total length) (i.e from 0 to 1.99cm = 1cm from 0 to 2.99cm = 2cm)



Total length (cm)

Prizes and Awards

Individual: 1st. - 2nd - 3rd places Championship Pin – Medal – Trophy - Equipment 4th - 5th - 6th places - Trophy

International Team

The Winning Team (1^{st place})
Each team member (5) will be awarded with a Medal - Trophy - Equipment
2nd and 3rd place
Each team member (5) will be awarded with a Medal - Trophy

Life Member: 1st – 2nd – 3rd place Medal - Trophy

Senior (Over 65 years): 1st – 2nd – 3rd place Medal - Trophy

Lady: 1st - 2nd - 3rd Place Medal - Trophy

Junior (age between 12 and 18 years): 1st - 2nd - 3rd Place Medal - Trophy

Optional - Blind Draw - €10 pp per team

2 Men Team - (Open): 1st - 2nd - 3rd Place Medal - Prize
4 Men Team - (Open): 1st - 2nd - 3rd Place Medal - Prize

Heaviest Fish over 1 Kg. over the 3 days of the Championships - €10pp Payout: 100% to the Winner (in case of a tie, the payout will be shared amongst)



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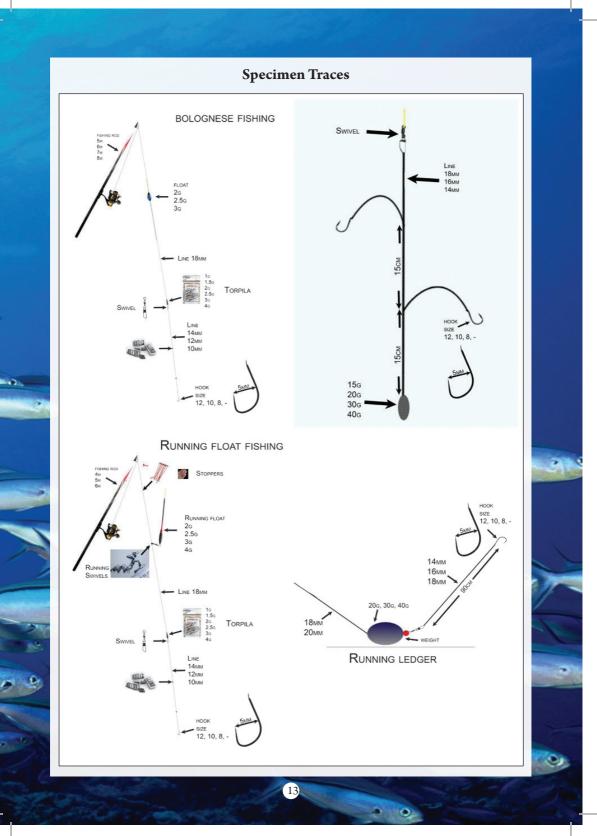
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The three Cities

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Type of fish expected



Diplodus sargus White bream Sargu



Oblada melanura Saddled bream Kaħlija



Pagrus pagrus Red porgy Pagru



Diplodus puntazzo Sheepshead bream Mogħza



Diplodus annularis Annular bream Sparlu



Pagellus erythrinus Common pandora Pagella ħamra



Diplodus vulgaris Two banded bream Xirghien



Sparus aurata Gilt-head sea bream Awrata



Trachurus mediterraneus Mediterranean horse mackarel Sawrella



Spondyliosoma cantharus Black seabream Tannuta



Sarpa salpa Salema Xilpa



Pseudocaranx dentex Blue runner Sawrella imperjali

Oedalechilus labeo

Boxlip mullet

Mulett bobbin

Parrot fish

Marzpan



Lithognathus mormyrus Striped sea bream Mingus



Serranus scriba Painted comber Burgax

Muraena helena

Mediterranean moray eel

Morina



Chelon labrosus Thick lipped grey mullet Mulett kaplat



Symphodus tinca Peacock wrasse Tirda tal-passa



Mugil cephalus

Grey mullet

Mulett ta I-iswed

Mediterranean rainbow wrasse Għarusa







Scorpaena porcus Black scorpionfish Skorfna sewda

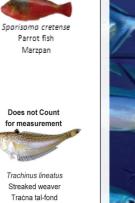


Scorpaena scrofa Red scorpionfish Ċippullazza





Trachinus lineatus Streaked weaver Traċna tal-fond









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