

## European Shore Championship 2019 • Akureyri May 2019

The organizing work for the European Shore Championship to be held from Akureyri, North-Iceland 1<sup>st</sup> May to 4<sup>th</sup> May 2019 is going well. A newsletter with detailed info, entry forms and more has been sent to your Section.

### Information

**Entry fee and closing date of entry:** The entry fee is €250 and €125 for juniors. Prize for the Gala-Dinner is €47 per person. Date of closing for registration is **28<sup>th</sup> February 2019**.

**Accommodation:** The HQ hotel for the venue is Hotel Kjarnalundur near the airport about 3.5 km. from Akureyri's town center. Book your accommodation on info@kjarnalundur and quote EFSA2019.

**The fishing spots:** We will be fishing from three different shores/spots: Nearby the center of Akureyri, from the piers in Akureyri and from a nearby village of Hjalteyri. Information which spot we will be fishing, to be announced at the registration or at the start of each fishing day.

**Fishing rules:** See homepage. A maximum of **two hooks** are allowed with minimum **gape 14 mm**.

**The point system and fishing:** The Championship is a Shore Championship with unlimited amount of fish to count for points. The calculation of each day result is done by adding the total running length of your fish with the number of your fish multiplied with a constant of five (Total length of fish + No. of fish x 5 = Total points of the day). See for the minimum sizes, in the Championship Rules.

**Fish to catch:** Cod, Coalfish, Haddock, Dab, Catfish (Wolf fish) and Whiting. We expect to fish few Shorthorn Sculpin (Scorpion fish), Rough Dab, Flounder, Halibut and Plaice and maybe some Thorny Ray, Redfish and Pollock.

**The fishing:** All the good size **fish has to be killed by bleeding**. You will be provided with a bucket for your fish. The shore Stewards will measure and write your fish down on the Scorecard. After that they will put the fish into the common box. If you got a record fish or if it is your personal record you can tag it and bring it in for measuring.

**Bait:** We will use Blueeye and/or Mackerel.

**Teams:** It is free of charge to register into teams. Your Secretary will register your Section's teams in due course.

**Tackle shop:** There is a tackle shop in Akureyri.

**Clothing:** It can be cold and windy in early May in Iceland. Bring with you warm cloths and boots.

**Travel information to Akureyri:** There are several international airlines with regular flight schedules to Iceland. Icelandair: icelandair.com, Wowair: wowair.com, Various international airlines from Europe.

**Flying to Akureyri.** Drive from Keflavik to Reykjavik approx. 45 km. Domestic flights from Reykjavik to Akureyri. Air Iceland Connect. <https://www.airicelandconnect.is/>

**Driving to Akureyri.** Rent a car at the airport and drive to Akureyri - approx. 5-6 hours and 433 km. At the airport there are several rentals i.e. Avis, Euro Car, Hertz, Budget Car and more. Take the main road: Keflavik-Reykjavik 45 km. When you are in Reykjavik you will see a big mountain Esja in direction north. Drive towards the mountain and you will be out of Reykjavik. Take the A1 to the tunnel that goes under the fjord Hvalfjordur, free of charge, and drive to Borgarnes. When out of Borgarnes, drive on and you will see a road sign to Akureyri 314 km. The HQ hotel, Hotel Kjarnaskogur, is very near Akureyri's airport.

**Spouse tour:** There will be no spouse tour organized by the Organizing Committee. But there are many places near Akureyri worth visiting: Lake Myvatn, Dettifoss the largest waterfall in Europe and more.

**EFSA uniform:** You have to wear EFSA uniform at the Prize giving Ceremony and at the Gala dinner.

**Protest Committee:** Phil Lusting (EFSA HQ), Helgi Bergsson (EFSA Iceland), and three other committee members from representing Sections. Protest Committee meetings to be held at Hotel Kjarnalundur the HQ hotel.

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