

European Shore Championship 2019 • Akureyri May 2019 • Newsletter no. 2

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The organizing work for the European Shore Championship to be held from Akureyri, North-Iceland 1st May to 4th May 2019 is going well.

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 **28th February 2019**. Entry forms see below.

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. See prices below.

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 below. 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, fishing gear and fishing technique in the below Championship Rules and Things to know.

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: See below.

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.

Helgi Bergsson

Chairman EFSA Iceland



Dear fellow anglers and friends.

For the second time EFSA Iceland welcome you to Akureyri for the European Shore Championship 2019. Our first was the European Shore Championship in 2012 when we for three days fished from three different shores with 66 anglers from 8 Sections. The total number of fish accounted for in 2012 was 2.940 and ten species of fish were caught: Cod, Haddock, Coalfish, Dab, Shorthorn Sculpin (Sea Scorpion), Whiting, Catfish, Plaice, Long Rough Dab and Thorny Ray.

In this European Shore Championship we will fish from the same shores as in 2012 or the shore from Akureyri's airport by the main road to the centre of the town, from Akureyri's harbor piers and from Hjalteyri about 24 km. from Akureyri where an old Herring station from last century is.

The weather in Iceland in early May can be windy and cold so remember to bring with you some warm cloths and boots.

I am sure that you will enjoy your stay in Iceland and in Akureyri and I and all our members look very much forward to see you.

AKUREYRI Iceland 2019

EFSA European Shore Championship Programme and Timetable of Events

Wednesday 1st May

20:00. Registration and drawing of Zones at HQ Hotel.

Thursday 2nd May

10:00. Buses depart for Venues.

12:00. Drawing of Pegs at Zones, distribution of bait.

13:00. Start fishing - at signal.

18:00. Lines up.

19:00. Buses depart for Hotel.

Friday 3th May

11:00. Buses depart for Venues.

12:00. Drawing of Pegs at Zones, distribution of bait.

13:00. Start fishing - at signal.

18:00. Lines up.

19:00. Buses depart for Hotel.

Saturday 4th May

09:00. Buses depart for Venues.

10:00. Drawing of Pegs at Zones, distribution of bait.

11:00. Start fishing - at signal.

16:00. Lines up.

17:00. Buses depart for Hotel.

21:00. Prize giving and Gala Dinner.

The times and programme are subject to alteration at the discretion of the Organizing Committee.

Trophy and Medal List

European Shore Champion Prizes

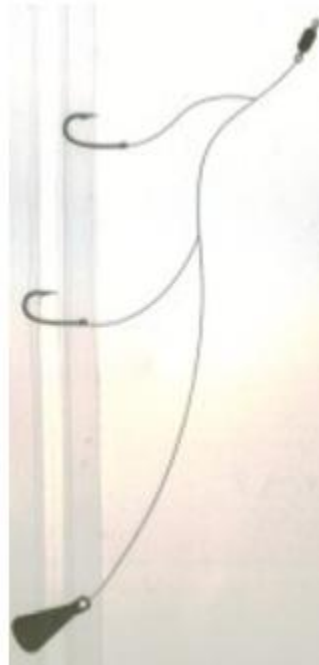
Category	Medal/Pins	Prizes
Individual Shore Champion	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medals and EFSA Pins	1st – 3rd
Lady European Champion	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medals	1st – 3rd
Life Member Champion	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medals	1st – 3rd
Best Senior	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medals	1st – 3rd
Best Junior	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medals	1st – 3rd
Team of Two	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medals (2)	1st – 3rd
Executive Team	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medals (3)	1st – 3rd
Team of Four	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medals (4)	1st – 3rd
National Team Champion	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medals (5)	1st – 3rd
Largest Fish	Gold	1st
Largest Flatfish	Gold	1st

The first three individuals will be rewarded with the Championships Shore Pins as European Shore Champions 2019.

Things to know

Our beaches are mainly rocky beaches therefore good footwear is recommended. Venues are at several places in Eyjafjordur area mainly in shorter distance than 30 minute drive from HQ hotel. One or two Zones are at most Venues. Fishing is usually very good, consisting mainly of Cod and Dabs. Several other species can be caught, Haddock, Coalfish, Long Rough Dab, Whiting, Plaice, Catfish, Thorny Ray, Shorthorn Sculpin, Halibut and Flounder.

You can unhook your trace after pulling in fish and put a new trace on and cast out again but you must unhook your fish, kill it (by gilling, bleeding) and put in your box (or releasing it if undersize) before pulling in again. Most of the fish will reach the minimum size, some codling and coalfish though can be too small. Fishing will take place in daylight so no headlights should be necessary.



Most common traces are Paternosters but one up/one down is also commonly used. In most cases gripped leads are not necessary, there is no heavy current but sometimes it can blow a little. The fish is both close to shore and further out so you do not have to be a super caster to fish. Sometimes it is even better to fish closer to the shore.

There can be a bit of seaweed few meters out so try to lift your fish from the bottom when pulling in. A maximum of two hooks with minimum gape 14mm are allowed and the bait will be Blueye and/or Mackerel. Bait will be distributed at the drawing of Pegs one hour prior to fishing.

Accommodation at HQ Hotel – Hotel Kjarnalundur

No. of persons in a room	Price for a room	No. of nights	Price for a night	Rate of ISK/EUR	Price for a night
2 persons in a room	48.000 ISK	4	12.000 ISK	137.38	87.35 EUR
1 person in a room	39.800 ISK	4	9.950 ISK	137.38	72.43 EUR

Championship Rules 2019 Akureyri Iceland

1. The Championship will be fished to the EFSA General Shore Fishing Rules governing at the time of the Championship unless otherwise stated.
2. Only one rod and reel may be used at the time, a second rod may be assembled but no terminal tackle attached.
3. A maximum of **two hooks** with minimum **gape 14 mm** are allowed on a trace. No trebles are allowed.
4. Spare baited traces are allowed.
5. No wading above knee level.
6. Competitors must return to their peg on the foreshore after casting. Competitors are not allowed to leave their peg while their trace is in the sea.
7. No pendulum casting is allowed.
8. Anglers will be drawn into their zones at registration and must fish from their allocated peg as drawn at peg no. 1 at their zone, one hour prior to the session.
9. The only bait allowed is the one supplied by EFSA Iceland with NO bait additives.
10. Unused bait must be disposed of at the end of each session and not carried over.
11. Competitor must **kill all good size fish** and put them in a supplied box at their peg before he/she can reel in again.
12. Undersized fish must be returned.
13. Competitors trying to increase the length of any fish will be disqualified.
14. Stewards will be on each zone collecting and measuring the fish for the competitors and signing their score card. All fish caught is the property of EFSA Iceland.
15. Each angler must return their score card to the steward at the end of the session and sign the master-card for their score before leaving the beach. Failure to do so may result in disqualification.
16. Anglers must remove all litter, bait and dead fish from their peg on the shore at the end of each session.
17. The Organizers shall not be liable for any loss or damage incurred during the Championship.
18. The relevant team captain must hand any complaint, in writing, to the Organizers within 1 hour of the end of the session.
19. All fish are measured in centimetres and must be over 20 centimetres except for Cod and Coalfish which must be over 35 centimetres. Ray or Skate must be measured across the wings.
20. The protest committee will consist of Phil Lusting (EFSA HQ), Helgi Bergsson (EFSA Iceland), and three other committee members from representing Sections.
21. The results will be published two hour prior to the Prize giving.

Travel information to Iceland and Akureyri

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

From Reykjavik (Keflavik) international airport to Akureyri.

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.

<h1 style="margin: 0;">Entry Form</h1> <h2 style="margin: 0;">EFSA Shore Championship 2019</h2> <h3 style="margin: 0;">Akureyri Iceland</h3> <h3 style="margin: 0;">1st –4th May 2019</h3>
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1. Angler details:

Surname and title: _____ First Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Section : _____ Membership No: _____

2. Membership Class: Please mark in front of all relevant with **X** that apply:

Annual member Life member Lady Senior (65 and over) Junior (under 18).

Junior and Senior age at start of event to count.

3. Non-fishing companions:

Surname and title..... First Name.....

Surname and title..... First Name.....

4. Entry costs:

	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Junior</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Sub-total</u>
Shore Championship	€ 250	€ 125	€.....
Gala Dinner	€ 47	€ 47	€.....
Total amount due:				€

5. Account details:

Account name EFSA Iceland
 IBAN IS54 0324 2600 6906 6906 0628 30
 SWIFT Code esjaisre
 Bank address Borgartun 19. 105 Reykjavik. Iceland.

All entry forms must be sent to your own Section Secretary by the date specified by your Section. Your Section Secretary is responsible for forwarding all entry forms and cleared payments prior to close of entries which are due prior to: **February 28th 2019. No refund.**

The sender is responsible for all transmission charges imposed by the sending and receiving banks and this must be allowed for in any funds sent. Receipt of payments and entries received will be acknowledged to the relevant Section Secretary within one month of close of entries.

Section Secretaries only may send entry forms to:

EFSA Iceland Secretary
 Thorir Sveinsson, Stekkar 13, 450 Patreksfjordur, Iceland.
 E-mail: thosve@snerpa.is

6. I agree to be bound by the rules of the event and will not hold the Organisers or Federation responsible for any loss, damage or accident caused to myself, my companions or property during the event programme.

Date: _____ Signed: _____