



European Species Championship 2022 Olafsvik May 2022. Newsletter no. 1.

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The European Species Championship 2022 will be held from Olafsvik, West-Iceland from 26th May to 28th May. EFSA Iceland will not issue a brochure for the Championship but instead issue a regular Newsletter that will be sent out to all the Sections and published on EFSA Iceland and EFSA HQ websites, www.efsa.is/ <http://efsafishing.org>, and on Facebook.

Information

Entry fee and closing date of entry. Entry fee is ISK 50.000. Bait included. **Pre-Registration** before 5th **January 2022** and **payment of entry fee before 31st March 2022**. Price for Gala Dinner is ISK 7.000. If you want to have the entry form on Wordform please contact Thorir Sveinsson and he will send it to you by e-mail.

The rate of exchange. On 14th of September 2021 the rate of exchange for the Icelandic krona was approx. 1 € = 151 ISK krona and 1 £ Sterling = 177 ISK krona.

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The fishing spots. We will be fishing from the fishing banks near Olafsvik and the Snæfellsnes peninsula.

Fishing rules. See below.

Fish to catch. Cod and Coalfish. Other fish do not count for points.

The fishing. All the good size **fish must be killed by bleeding**. You will be provided with a bucket for your fish. The skipper will bleed the fish, the Crew measure and the Fish captain writes down on the Scorecard. After that 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 Herring 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 no tackle shop in Olafsvik.

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

Spouse tour. There will be no spouse tour organized by the Organizing Committee. But there are many places near Olafsvik worth visiting.

EFSA uniform. You must wear EFSA uniform at the Opening Ceremony, the Prize giving Ceremony and the Gala dinner.

Helgi Bergsson

Chairman EFSA Iceland



Dear fellow anglers and friends.

For the third time EFSA Iceland welcome you to Iceland for the European Species Championship in May 2022 in Olafsvik, West-Iceland. This Championship was supposed to be held in May 2021 but due the Covid-19 crises we had to postpone the venue. Let us hope that the pandemic will be over worldwide next year.

EFSA Iceland has held two European Championships before in Olafsvik. The first one was in 2014, a species Championship where we targeted big Cod. Our second one was the European Boat & Line Championships in 2018. The year before (2017) we held EFSA Iceland Open from Olafsvik to try out the rules and the fishing banks for the European Boat & Line Championships.

In this European Species Championship, we will be targeting big Cod and Coalfish. We will fish from the same fishing banks as in 2014 and 2018 and the fishing is unlimited. The point system is divided into four length categories: 35 cm to 55 cm, 56 cm to 75 cm, 76 cm to 100 cm and over 101 cm.

The weather in Iceland in 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 Olafsvik and I and all our members look very much forward to see you.

Organizing Committee



Helgi Bergsson Chairman



Pórir Sveinsson Secretary



Björg Guðlaugsdóttir



Gunnar Jónsson



Hersir Gíslason, Cashier



Sigurjón Helgi Hjelm

Olafsvik Iceland 2022

EFSA European Species Championship Programme and Timetable of Events

EFSA Species Championship 2022 will be held from Thursday 26th May to Saturday 28th May from Olafsvik, West-Iceland fishing for big Cod and Coalfish. The venue will be fished to the EFSA rules.

Thursday 26 May **Registration and Opening Ceremony**

18:00 Registration at Klif, Olafsvik
20:00 Opening Ceremony at Klif, Olafsvik

Friday 27 May **Cod and Coalfish**

06:30 Assemble at Pier Olafsvik
07:00 Boats depart for fishing grounds
08:00 Lines down
14:00 Lines up
16:00 All boats must be in harbour
19:00 Days results displayed

Saturday 28 May **Cod and Coalfish**

06:30 – 16:00 Same as Friday
19:00 Days results displayed
20:00 Presentation of awards
21:00 Gala Dinner at Klif, Olafsvik

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

Trophy and Medal List

European Species Champion Prizes

Category	Medal/Pins	Prizes
Individual Species Champion	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medals and EFSA Pins	1st – 3rd
Life Member Champion	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medals	1st – 3rd
Best Senior	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medals	1st – 3rd
Best Junior	Gold	1st
Team of Two	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medals (2)	1st – 3rd
Executive Team	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medals (4)	1st – 3rd
Team of Four	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medals (4)	1st – 3rd
National Team Champion	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medals (5)	1st – 3rd
Longest Cod	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medals	1st – 3rd
Longest Coalfish	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medals	1st – 3rd

Point system, boats, fishing gear, fishing technique

The point system and fishing. The Championship is a Specie Championship with **unlimited number** of Cod and Coalfish to count for points. Cod and Coalfish 35-55 cm 1 points, Cod and Coalfish 56-75 cm 4 points, Cod and Coalfish 76-100 cm 15 points, Cod and Coalfish 101 cm or longer 50 points. All other fish 0 point.

Boats. The boats in the Championship will mainly be small size fibre plastic fishing boats. Experienced skippers on each boat know where to catch the fish. The skipper can net/gaff the fish for the anglers if requested and they will gill all fish for the anglers. They can be of help in all troubles for example tangled lines or breaking the line, but they may never bait the hooks for anglers or touching the rod when the trace is down.

The boats will be drifting all day when fishing.

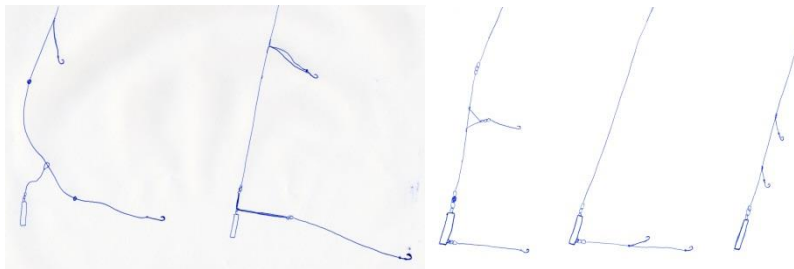


Fishing. Gear and technique.

In the EFSA Species Championship we will be fishing similar as in other EFSA Championships and with strong rods and reels. Bait will be supplied by the organizers and no other bait is allowed other than caught by the angler that day.

Fishing will mainly be on baited traces, paternoster or similar. Pirks and artificial lures can also be used. Pirking can sometimes be useful for an experienced angler.

Please just keep in mind, have the fish netted/gaffed when brought to the surface or try lifting the fish by getting hold of the line and bring it in carefully that way. Please do not lift the fish on board with the rod. If the fish in the process falls off the trace or the pirk it can cause severe personal damage.



Examples of common traces

Lead can be bought from EFSA Iceland at the Championship but notice there is no tackle shop in Olafsvik. The weather condition in May can be cold and windy with heavy sea so it is necessary to bring warm cloths and glove and rubber boots. Especially we recommend waterproof pants and jackets or anoraks.

Championship Rules 2022 Olafsvik Iceland

General Fishing RULES

1. The Championship will be fished to the EFSA rules governing at the time of the Championship unless otherwise stated.
2. The fishing will take place the 27 and 28 of May 2022.
3. The boat draw will take place in public at least one month before the Championship.
4. A husband and wife, parent and child may apply to be drawn on the same boat but a request to do so must be clearly stated on the entry form.
5. Fishing captain will be appointed for each boat and his duties will include: Ensuring that the Championship rules are obeyed. Responsible for drawing of places on board the boat. Observance of start and finish times. Complete the "Fish record card" for the anglers Liaising with the boat skipper.
6. Fishing area each day will be directed by the Organizing Committee who will be guided by prevailing weather conditions.
7. The Committee has the power to abandon that day's fishing or confine all boats to safe area. The Committee's decision will be final.
8. Bait will be supplied to each angler at the boat before each day's fishing. The only other bait allowed will be that caught by the competitor that day. Bait or baitfish may not be retained at the end of each day. Bait must not be shared.
9. Artificial lures are permitted.
10. Any fish used as bait shall have its tail cut off and cannot be eligible for points.
11. Anglers may receive assistance to net or gaff a fish.
12. A fish counting shall immediately be gilled and it is not permitted to start fishing again until it has been done.
13. A foul hooked Cod or Coalfish does not count and shall immediately be put in a common container aboard the boat.
14. Casting from a boat is only permitted using an under arm method with the terminal tackle and trace outside the boat at all times during the cast.
15. Only one trace at a time is permitted. Maximum of two hooks is permitted on a trace. One of the hooks can be double or treble hook but must then be assembled to a pirik. Double or treble hooks may never be baited. Length of a trace should not exceed 4.5 meters.
16. Lifting a fish and bring it aboard with the rod is not permitted.
17. Skipper or Boat Captain may:
 - a) Assist with gilling a fish.
 - b) Help anglers with mixed or tangled lines.
 - c) Gaff or net fish.
 - d) Break the line for anglers in case of the trace being stuck on the bottom.
 - e) Retrieving hooks from fish.
18. Skipper or Boat Captain may not:
 - a) Touch the angler's rod when the tackle is down except when trace is stuck on bottom.
 - b) Bait the hooks for anglers.
19. Only fish recorded on an angler's "Fish Record Card" count for points.
20. All anglers shall assemble at the harbour at 06:30 each day. Boats can leave harbour at 07:00. Lines down at 08:00. Lines up latest at 14:00. Boats shall be in harbour no later than 16:00 hour. If boats arrive at fishing grounds before starting time and all anglers are ready it's permitted to start fishing. Then the lines shall be up after exactly six hours.
21. Boats shall contact Organizing Committee immediately in case of a breakdown. The Organizing Committee decides if an extra fishing time is granted in each case.
22. Fish points are given by point system shown on the Scorecard. It is a part of the rules.
23. Each angler is responsible for checking that his/her catch is correctly entered on the Scorecard.
24. The Boat Winner each day will get 100 boat points and the other anglers will have their boat scores expressed as a percentage of the Boat Winner's score.
25. In case of a tie the angler with most fishing point will win. If two or more anglers are still equal the angler with fewer fish shall win.
26. Results will be published on a scoreboard at the Headquarters before 19:00 each day.
27. Any claim regarding a day's fishing shall be brought to the Organizing Committee no later than 17:00 that day.
28. Any claim regarding a day's result shall be brought to the Organizing Committee soonest possible, no later than 08:00 the following day.
29. Point system. Cod and Coalfish 35-55 cm. long 1 points, Cod and Coalfish 56-75 cm. long 4 points, Cod and Coalfish 76-100 cm. long 15 points, Cod and Coalfish 101 cm or longer 50 points. All other fish 0 point. Unlimited fishing.

Entry Form
EFSA Species Championship 2022
Olafsvik Iceland
26th –28th May 2022

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.....

<u>4. Entry costs:</u>	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Junior</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Sub-total</u>
Species Championship	ISK 50.000	ISK 25.000	ISK.....
Gala Dinner	ISK 7.000	ISK 4.000	ISK.....
Total amount due:				ISK

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. Pre-registration before 5th January 2022. Your Section Secretary is responsible for forwarding all entry forms and cleared payments prior to close of entries which are due prior to: **March 31st 2022. 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, Njörvasundi 1, 104 Reykjavik, 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: _____

Accommodation in the Snæfellsnes peninsula

See the website: <https://www.west.is/en/stay-and-dine/hotels>

In Olafsvik and Rif

Name	Address	E-mail	Website/Phone
Gisting og Gallerí	Brautarholti 7	guesthousegalleri.net	
Heimagisting	Skálholti	ragvig@simnet.is	
Við Hafíð Guesthouse	Ólafsbraut 55	vid.hafið@hotmail.com	
Hotel Ólafsvík	Ólafsbraut 20	info@welcome.is	hotel olafsvik.is, tel.00 354 4871212
Welcome Hotel	Klettsbúð 9	Hellissandur	hotel olafsvik.is, tel.00 354 4871212
Welcome Kría		Rif	hotel olafsvik.is, tel.00 354 4871212
Gamla Rif Guesthouse	Háarif 3	Rif	
Ólafsvík Apartments	Ennisbraut 1		booking.com
Apartments 3	Ennisbraut 2		airbnb.com
Bikers Paradise	Sandholti 45		tel.00 3544 361070
The Freezer Hostel		Rif	tel.00 354 8338200
G 42 Guesthouse	Grundarbraut 42		

In Grundarfjordur

Name	Address	E-mail	Website/Phone
Kirkjufell Hotel	Nesvegur 6	booking@kirkjufellhotel.is	www.kirkjufellhotel.is
Grund Guesthouse		grundguesthouse@gmail.com	tel. 00 354 840 6100
Kirkjufell Guesthouse		grundguesthouse@gmail.com	tel. 00 354 840 6100
Hellnafell Guesthouse		hellnafellguesthouse@gmail.com	tel. 00 354 894 4966
Grundarfjörður Bed & Breakfast		info@lakitours.com	tel. 00 354 546 6808
The old Post Office Guesthouse		gistipantanir@outlook.com	www.topo.is tel. 00 354 430 8043



Stigaspjald / Fish Record Card

EFSA Iceland 2022 Olafsvik

26th to 28th May

Boat no.

COD AND COALFISH Day 1

Angler's name: _____

No. _____

Cod/Coalfish	No. of Cod	No. of Coalfish	Points	Subtotal
35 cm to 55 cm			1	
56 cm to 75 cm			4	
76 cm to 100 cm			15	
>101 cm			50	

Samanlagt/Grand Total

Longest fish:

Cod

Coalfish

Measurement rules:

Not a whole centimeter of fish to be rounded down, i.e., 75.9 cm fish to be measured as 75 cm fish.

Mælingareglur:

Ekki heill centimeter af mældum fiski skal mælast niður, þ.e. 75,9 cm fiskur mælist sem 75 cm. fiskur.

Fishing captain signature: _____

Angler's signature: _____

Registration for Teams

It is free of charge to register into teams. The registration form for 4man and 2man team is:



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4man team

		Team no.
Angler	No.	Section

angler's signature

registration signature



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2man team

		Team no.
Angler	No.	Section

angler's signature

registration signature