



## EFSA CHAMPIONSHIP CHECKLIST - SHORE

### ALL EUROPEAN & THE BRITISH & IRISH SHORE CHAMPIONSHIPS WILL BE ORGANISED IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER

#### **The Venue:**

Find suitable venues for the Championships, where there are enough spaces for up to 80 anglers. In the event of inclement weather alternative venues should be available, but only used for safety reasons. EFSA Headquarters to be informed 18 months in advance of the venue selected and 12 months in advance of the dates.

#### **Preliminary Application for the Championships:**

Send out a preliminary application form to all Member Sections to enable interested participants to request the entry forms and programme.

#### **Sponsorship/Advertising:**

Obtain a sponsor or sponsors for the Championships and advertisers for the programme. The sponsor(s) name must not appear in bigger letters than "EFSA Shore Championships".

#### **Access to Venue:**

Inform the competitors the easiest and best way to reach the venue of the Championships, by air, car, ferry or train.

#### **Accommodation Available:**

Details should be provided to each competitor of the various grades of accommodation that are available, e.g., first class hotels, tourist hotels, guest houses, camp sites etc with approximate costs and addresses where further information can be obtained, and if possible, the Organising Committee should make preliminary bookings for whole hotels, where they may get a discount if they reserve the total number of rooms.

#### **Type of Fish Expected:**

Advise the competitors of the fish species that can be expected at the venue, including their average size and weight.

#### **Type of Tackle Required:**

Circulate a description of typical tackle, e.g., type of rod, reel, thickness, type and breaking strain of line required, weight of leads required, type of bait to be supplied, size and type of hooks and lures. Type of terminal tackle (paternoster rig, flowing rig etc) preferably with a sketch, showing the tackle. The organisers should also intimate the type of bait that they will be supplying to the competitors.

#### **Detailed Presentation to the SC Meeting:**

Prior to the Championships the organising Member Section must submit all the details concerning the Championships to an appropriate SC Meeting and to be prepared to answer questions.

#### **Invitation of National Teams & Individuals:**

All Member Sections shall be invited to attend and will be requested to intimate if any of their anglers will be fishing. Notification of the closing date for entries will be intimated in the invitation and a response slip should be included with the invitation. Failure to return the "response slip" by the specified closing date may disbar a Section from subsequent entry.

Section Secretaries will be asked to submit the names of the different competitors who will be fishing in the “A” and “B” National Teams. This information must be submitted as soon as possible after the closing date for entries.

**Rules:**

Rules for the Championship shall be in accordance with laid-down EFSA regulations. Dispensation from any of these rules can be requested. Only justifiable limits on tackle/methods will be approved. No restrictions should be requested that are in any way contrary to normal, accepted fishing practices.

- A) Open to all Member Sections and Individuals.
- B) A minimum of four Member Sections must attend to qualify for the award of European Championship Pins.
- C) A minimum of three Member Sections must attend to qualify for the award of British & Irish Championships Pins.
- D) The Host Section must provide details of venues and types of fish & tackle to be used to all Sections in the invitation brochure.
- E) Championship bars and badges will be supplied by the Host Section. These should be ordered from the EFSA HQ Supplies Officer.
- F) Registration of competitors and draw for zones should take place on the day **BEFORE** fishing commences and pegs be drawn on the venues each day. The peg draw must be done in the same sequence as drawn at the zone draw.
- G) Championship will be fished over three qualifying days.
- H) Any Open Championship, which a Section may wish to organise in conjunction with an EFSA or British & Irish event, must be fished on the day before or after the main Championships.
- I) A National Team shall consist of 5 anglers. (Best four to count each day).
- J) A maximum of two teams can represent any Section.
- K) Matches to be pegged in 5 zones.
- L) Individual Members to be spread equally amongst zones.
- M) The zone winner will receive a point per number of anglers in the zone i.e. 9 anglers = 9 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> place angler will receive 8 points. In the event one zone has 10 anglers, then the winning angler of EACH zone will receive 10 points and the rest of the positions will be scored pro rata.
- N) Zone points will be decided using the following point system: Points per fish and points per centimetre.
- O) No fish no points.
- P) The winner of the Championships will be the angler with the most zone points over the three days. In the event of a **tie on the daily result, each angler receives same points. After 3 days a tie is decided by (a) overall points scored (b) total number of fish (C) longest fish(es).**
- Q) A maximum of three hooks may be used. (One treble counts as three hooks)
- R) An angler may have additional rods assembled to the trace clip but must not have a trace attached.
- S) Only bait supplied by the organising Section is to be used.
- T) Bait must **NOT** be carried over to the next day.
- U) Open Two Three- or Four-Man Teams will be a **blind draw** and must be results based.
- V) A Headquarters, for Registration, and Prize-giving, must be designated and intimated to all those attending the event.
- W) The Host Section must supply EFSA Headquarters with a Report and full list of results within one month.
- X) **EFSA Dress code Rule 1.14 must be adhered to at Registration, Prize Giving and any Civic Event that may be organised.**
- Y) Any dispensations from EFSA rules must be applied for. **\*\*Fishing will be under EFSA Shore Rules unless specified above. \*\***

**Protest Committee:**

Form a Protest Committee of at least 5 persons from different countries, to include the Festival Officer or Hon Fish Recorder or any other member of the Executive.

**Results:**

Produce a results list daily which should be posted up at the Championship HQ each night.

A complete set of results should be available by the evening and posted before the Presentation and the Gala Dinner and at least one set should be handed out to each participating Section. A set should also be handed to any Executive Officers present. Print and send out a complete list of results to all member Sections, Hon.

General Secretary and the Festival Officer. This list should be the final list and include all competitors, teams and prize categories. EFSA Headquarters should receive a report on the Championships and a full set of results within one month.

**Social Events:**

Arrange a welcome party. This should take place on the day prior to the start of the Championships. Ideally at least one social evening should be organised where anglers and non-fishing visitors can meet.

**Prize-giving Ceremony:**

Organise a suitable venue for the presentation of awards and prizes with sufficient seating. Sponsors should be acknowledged and thanked during the ceremony.

(The laid down sequence of the prize-giving is listed on Appendix No.1)

**Gala Dinner:**

Arrange a closing dinner for all visitors. Send out invitations to all special guests. If necessary, arrange a top table for any sponsors, dignitaries etc. The costs of all social events should be shown separately on the entry form.

**After the Championships.**

**Festival fee or levy:**

As soon as possible after the end of the competition the appropriate fee or levy for the number of competitors entered must be sent to the Hon. Treasurer of EFSA.

**Thanks:**

Send letters of thanks to all sponsors, supporters etc. together with a brief report on the Championship.

**Peg draw for National teams & Individual Members.**

**This procedure MUST be adhered to in order to ensure fairness to all competitors.**

- A) There will be five zones (being the number of team members in a National Team).
- B) There will be enough pegs in each zone to accommodate all National Teams & Individual anglers.
- C) The Organising Chairman/President will draw out a team (A or B team) from a bag containing all Section Teams & Individuals.
- D) If an Individual draw is made, five names will be draw out for zone places.

**The above draw will be made for each day's fishing.**

**Distribution of Bait**

All bait supplied must be in similarly marked bags, to be picked at random.

**APPENDIX No.1 – The Prize-giving Ceremony.**  
**Sequence of Presentation.**

**Presentation of Prizes and Medals**

The sequence hereby given below should be adhered to for the presentation of the Prizes, Medals and Pins at the European Shore and British Isles Championships.

- Zone winners (if presented)
- Specimen Fish Awards (if presented)
- Longest Fish Awards
- Team Awards (National Teams = Medals only)
- Best Senior (over 65) (if presented)
- Junior Medal (if presented)
- Ladies Medal (if presented)
- Individual Champion of Europe or British & Irish (Prizes should be awarded in reverse order).

**Presentation of the EFSA Pins.**

The presentation of the EFSA Shore Championship Pins should be done once all the prizes and medals have been awarded.

The presentation of the Pins should be made by the most senior EFSA official in attendance at the Championships and in the following sequence.

Bronze  
Silver  
Gold

HQ Executive and EFSA Festival Officer (Shore)  
14<sup>th</sup> March 2023