

**46TH CIPS CONGRESS  
FIPS-MOUCHE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
APRIL 25th,2025 BOHINJ, SLOVENIA**

**MEMBER MOTIONS**

Having considered the motions received, the FIPS-Mouche Board proposes the following guidelines be adopted:

**Motion 1: Czech Fishing Union**

**Motion 1.1** ARTICLE 4.5 CHAMPIONSHIP PROTOCOL

Only the national anthem of the individual and team gold medal winners must be played immediately after the presentation. Only the registered team members may be on the podium at this point in time. During the playing of the anthem the flags of bronze, silver and gold medals are raised.

**Proposal:** We propose that the national anthems be reproduced for all medallists in the team competition. We suggest this for all categories (European Championships, World Championships, Youths, Women and Masters)

**FM STATEMENT:** As Article 4.5 of the Competition Rules complies with the Olympic Protocol

**FM RECOMMENDATION:** to reject this motion.

**FM PROPOSAL:** A short version of the anthems of all participating teams may be played during the presentation of the teams at the opening ceremony (see CR change nr. 2).

**Motion 1.2** ARTICLE 20: CONTROLLERS

**Proposal:** We suggest adding a point where the minimum age of controllers is clearly specified. The minimum age of controllers should be set at 18 years. Only as an exception to the rules can the organizing country lower the minimum threshold (rules modification), but not less than 15 years of age.

**FM STATEMENT:** It is important to involve young people in fly fishing, also as controllers, to give them a strong motivation and education in fly fishing and respect for nature and the environment.

**FM RECOMMENDATION:** to partially accept.

**FM PROPOSAL:** The minimum age for the controllers has to be **16 years old** at the time of the championship.

**Motion 1.3** ARTICLE 25.1 ELIGIBLE FISH.

Eligible fish species and size limits (minimum 20 cm) must be specified in the Rule Modifications. For measuring purposes, the length will be from the tip of the nose to whichever part of the tail is specified in the Rule Modifications.

**Proposal:** Possibility to reduce the minimum possible limit for a valid fish (18 cm).

**FM STATEMENT:** It is not recommended to reduce the size of the fish to 18 cm. Maintaining a minimum size of 20 cm or more is important to increase the sportiness of fly fishing, as larger fish are more difficult to catch and this leads to a positive development of fishing technique. Fly fishing has to be a challenge, and the number of fish caught is not the most important thing.

**FM RECOMMENDATION:** to reject this motion.

**Motion 1.4** ARTICLE 25.5. For a fish to be eligible both landing net and fish must be in the water at the point of netting.

**Proposal:** Remove this contradictory point.

**FM STATEMENT:** After careful consideration of this proposal, the FM Board does not see any contradiction. We decided to leave this article unchanged.

**FM RECOMMENDATION:** to reject this motion.

## **Motion 2: Slovak Fishing Association**

**MOTION 2.1** ARTICLE 12.2. Teams are drawn from the membership of their national organisation, and each team member must be a citizen of his team's country.

**Proposal:** Coach of the national team does not have to be a citizen of the country that nominates him/her in the position.

**FM RECOMMENDATION:** to accept this motion.

## **MOTION 2.2** ARTICLE 2.3 GENERAL INFORMATION

MASTERS Over 50 at any point during the year of competition

**Proposal:** Moving age limit for World Championship Masters from 50 to 60 years of age.

**FM STATEMENT:** After careful consideration of this proposal, the FM Board has decided to leave this article unchanged.

**FM RECOMMENDATION:** to reject this motion.

## **Motion 3: French Federation of Sport Fishing**

### **MOTION 3.1 ARTICLE 2.3 GENERAL INFORMATION**

YOUTH Ages 14–18 at any point during the year of competition

**Proposal:** request to raise the age limit for participation in the World Championships, from 18 years within the year to 20 years within the year.

Allow each nation to register two teams for the European Championships, one of which would be composed of competitors under 25 years old (U25)

**FM RECOMMENDATION:** to partially accept.

**FM PROPOSAL:** to extend youth age category and to split for U19 and U24 (see CR change nr.1)