European **Boat** and **Species** Championships 2027
Øresund - Helsingør, Denmark

EFSA

European Federation of Sea Anglers

Governing Body for the Sport of Sea Angling with Rod & Line in European Waters and Keeper of the European Records Fishes List of Marine Species



Dansk Havfiske Forbund / Danish Association of Sea Anglers

European Championships Boatfishing 2027

European Championship Species 2027

August 16th to August 20th

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EFSA Boat and Species Championship Helsingør August 16–20, 2027

Dear EFSA members and friends,
This year's EFSA European Boat Fishing Championships is bringing us back to Helsingør in Denmark. The waters there has been a regular feature for championships over the years. This time, though, it will be combined with the EFSA Species Championships targeting flatfish.
Personally I hold fond memories fishing there. I have been coming to Helsingør quite a few times even before I was a member of EFSA.
Over the years the Øresund provided some of the most prolific fishing due to the large amount of species to be caught there. Two days we will be spending on fishing for flatfish only.
Rather uniquely our hosts will offer for the EFSA community to stay at the LO School (Konventum) which will provide not just accommodation for the anglers but also food – and transportation to and from the harbour where the boats will take us out to the sea.
For the non angling travellers there is plenty to explore with the Kronborg Slot being the highlight with its Shakespearean history. Copenhagen is also just a 1 hour train ride away.
I am sure that Martin and his organizing team have everything possible prepared to provide a fantastic boat fishing experience for both the open championships as well as the species event!
See many of you there!

Marcus Wuest
EFSA President/Chairman





Welcome and hello again to all EFSA-friends,

In 2022 the DHF organized the European Boat championship; it does not feel so long ago, but it's already some years gone. Not much has changed in the fishing, the fishing is still good and many species can be caught. There is though a local cod-ban. Our hospitality is also still the same so a warm welcome to Denmark where the organization-team, the Danish anglers and I almost can't wait to hear "lines-down".
In 2027 we organize 2 championships, the EFSA Boatchampionship over 3 days and the EFSA Specieschampionship over 2 days, focused on flatfish. Of course we hope to offer the same good quality fishing as always; our (local) competitions show year-on-year that there is a wide variety of fish and many species are swimming around in large numbers in the Øresund in August. As some might remember from 2022, we even have tuna (though not counting..) that know that large schools of herring and mackerel are for the taking at that time of year in the Øresund.
The fishing will be around Helsingør, often only 15 to 30 minutes from the harbour. The Øresund is perfectly situated and we can always find a fish-giving spot, even with high winds. As most of you already experienced, we use scorecards – your neighbor angler makes a punch per fish - one scorecard for the Boatchampionship and another type for the Species, you can find these further down in the brochure.
These scorecards allow catch-and-release fishing, which is easy for all and presents all EFSA-anglers well. Of course, if you want a few "rødspætter/plaice" to eat, be our guest.
The Headquarter will be at Konventum (former LO-school); some of you might remember that we used this hotel also in 2013. There is a large parking space at the hotel. From the hotel we organized, on the competition-days, a bus-transfer to the harbour, see also time-schedule and entrance form. Just beside the hotel the forest begins and you can take a stroll, looking over the Øresund and relax after a good day fishing – though there is a bar at the hotel 😊.
And now : Let's go, let's go Fishing.

I wish you all a good and fair fishing on behalf of the Danish federation of Sea Anglers,

Martin Hubert,
Chairman of DHF.





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Head Quarter (HQ) : Konventum
HQ is located Erling Jensens Vej 1 – 3000 Helsingør
Tel. (0045) 49280900 www.konventum.dk

We have been able to reserve an amount of rooms at rebated prices. The sooner you book, the more chance you have to book at these rebated prices. Please use the rebate code when booking.
Rebate code EFSA 2027, link for booking :
https://emea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fkonventum.dk%2Fovernatning%2F&data=05%7C02%7C%7Ce9adb476c8634ddeb56708df2dc14138%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C639279980174304228%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=8D773WtN0wd10W7vsHUNdt8%2B0eNEOoSj5YOnUU2%2BW4U%3D&reserved=0

Denmark/Helsingør (Elsinore)/ København (Copenhagen) information
Helsingør can be reached directly by train from Kastrup, the airport of Copenhagen. There are ferries to/from Helsingborg in Sweden and motorway almost to Helsingør. Even though Denmark is under Schengen, please bring your passport, as there is specific control at the German border. At the border with Sweden there is always control, even though both are Schengen countries.
What to do in Helsingør apart from fishing ? During the last years the harbour area has been renewed and in the old docks a shipping museum was built. Also a food-market is located in this area. To complete the picture of a society that is open-minded, you now can find a ”silver male” sitting at the harbour, putting the little mermaid in Copenhagen in perspective. Of course the castle of Kronborg is situated at the waterfront already over 500 years and in the city there are many pubs and restaurants.
The hotel is situated 3 km from the harbour, there is a busconnection to the train station busnr. 353, every half hour. The hotel can order taxis, and below you can find a link to contact a taxi-company.

There are many attractions in North-Sealand, as the area north of Copenhagen is called. Castles in Fredensborg, Hillerød and Copenhagen are worth visiting. Copenhagen offers numerous museums, the famous Tivoli (oldest adventure park in the world), located in the middle of the city with > 30 restaurants or a seight-seeing trip with the canalboats can be made and maybe you end up for a lunch or dinner at Nyhavn. Also Helsingborg in Sweden can easily be reached by ferry in 20 minutes.

Some links you can check :
https://www.visitcopenhagen.com/copenhagen/areas/helsingor/great-experiences-in-helsingor-and-the-surrounding-area
https://www.visitcopenhagen.com
https://www.visitnorthsealand.com
https://www.wonderfulcopenhagen.dk/

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The organizing committee









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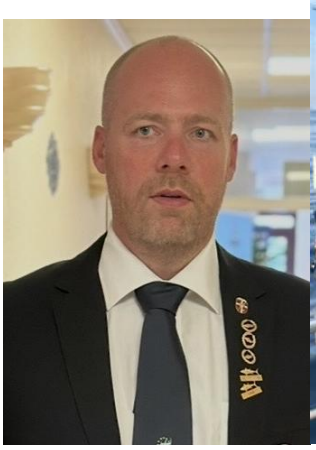



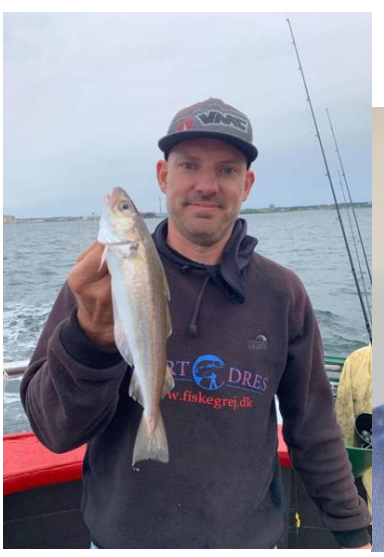

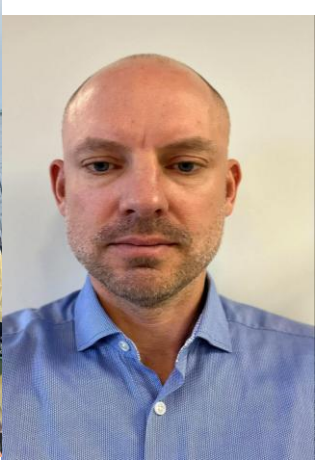

Martin Hubert

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Time schedule :

Registration starts Saturday at HQ (Konventum)

Saturday	Registration (HQ)	17.30 – 19.30
August 14th	(Testfishing possibility, see page 7)	
Sunday August 15th	Standing Committee meeting (HQ)	10.00 – 16.00
	Raise of the EFSA flag (HQ)	16.15
	Registration (HQ)	16.30 – 17.00
	Welcome reception (HQ) & latest information *	17.00 – 19.00
	Registration (HQ)	19.00 – 20.30
	(Testfishing possibility, see page 7)	

SPECIES CHAMPIONSHIP

Monday	Bus leaves in front of the hotel	07.25 and 07.55
August 16th	Boarding of the boats in city-harbour	
	Skippers and boat captains meeting	08.00
	Gather at your boat, bait provided	08.30
	Boats leave Helsingør harbour	09.00
	Boats back in harbour	15.15 – 16.00
	Results available at HQ	20.00
August 17th	See programme Monday	

EUROPEAN BOAT CHAMPIONSHIP

August 18th	See programme Monday	
August 19th	See programme Monday	
August 20th	See programme Monday	
August 21st	Price Giving ceremonies (HQ) *	14.30 – 18.00 (incl. Breaks)
	Species and **Boat** Championship	
	Gala dinner (HQ)*	18-00 – 22.00

* During the welcome reception, the price giving ceremonies and the gala dinner we expect all to wear suit or smart casual wear, preferably with a tie. If this is not worn during the price ceremonies competitors forfeit their right to have their price presented in public.

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Fishing information and the Scorecards

The European Boat Championship is a 3 days competition, all days counting, based on catch & release. All fish, independent of their size, count. Fish are registered by the angler at your side or a crewmember, by punching a hole in your scorecard. A picture of the scorecard can be found on page 7.

The boats will be divided in 2 sides, starboard and port side, and each side count as 1 entity and has its daily winner. There will be around 12 anglers/boatside. All anglers will receive a score with respect to the boat-side winner, based on a score of 100 % for the winner. The European Boat Champion will be the one with the highest amount of boatpoints after 3 days, so the maximum score is 300. Anglers tied on the same amount of fishing points, will be ranked by respectively : Fishing points – Number of fish - Number of species.

The scorecard consists of categories. The maximum amount of punched holes is 10 per category. The procedure is that you catch a fish, you show it to your neighbor angler,agree which species and he/she punches a hole in the scorecard for the respective species of fish and after you returned the fish, you can start fishing again. Big flatfish, 35 cm and over, has an own category - measuring equipment is available on the boat to determine the size and has to be verified by the angler or fishing captain punching the hole. If there are questions, the crew or boatleader decides. Any form of cheating or deceive will mean disqualitfication from that days fishing. After the fishing the scorecards are gathered and we recommend that you make a picture of your scorecard. Please remember that you get 10 points extra for your first caught fish per category !

There is the possibility to register teams of 2 and teams of 4. In the teams of 4 maximum 2 anglers from one national team can participate, but a team of e.g. 4 anglers consisting of 2 anglers from England A and 2 anglers from England B is OK. Entry fee per competition is 20 Euro/150 DKK/angler, this can be paid during registration.

There will be a bus from HQ, Konventum, leaving the hotel at 07.25 and 07.55 to Helsingør harbour all fishing days.

Testfishing :

Spar Lystfiskeri, tel. 0045 26184759 – www.sparlystfiskeri.dk . Spar Lystfiskeri will sail during the testdays, similar as the fishing will be during the competition.

Tackleshops :

On the boats it is possible to buy pirks and basic tackle set-ups.

Tackle shops in Copenhagen :

Hvidovre Sport	www.hvidovresport.dk
Sport Dres	www.fiskegrej.dk

Fishing the Øresund

Many species can be caught in the Øresund in summertime. Those who have participated in Boat championships in 2013 and/or 2022 might remember that average amount of eligible fish caught/angler/day were between 40 – 50 fish. So, if you are in for many fish and many species, the European Boatchampionship 2027 is something for you.

Many of you also know about the excellent flatfishing we have in the Øresund, primarily on flounders, plaice and dab. Here we expect also also big amounts to be caught – so the Species competition will be also be an exiting and plenty of fish event.

Fishing-tackles are either paternoster or pirk/lead with one trace under and one trace over. For the Boatchampionship we also recommend herring-feathers, makrel-lures, pirks and tube boom traces. Weights and or pirks up to 300 grams.

Inspiration, pictures, tackles for flatfish on www.sparlystfiskeri.dk

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Scorecards

Boatchampionship : You receive 10 points for catching a fish in a category. There are 20 categories and you can catch maximum 10 fish/category, please find scorecard below.

Example :

If you catch 3 herrings and 4 whitings

you get 10 + 2+2+2 + 10 + 2+2+2 = 32 points.

Specieschampionship :

Only flatfish counting,

no limit per category

Scorecard, see below.

Here only the fish counts.

Example :

10 dabs + 3 Plaice = 20 + 6 = 26 points

Deltager	Båd/boat
Boatchampionship	
Signatur:	
	Rødspætte Plaice 2 point
	Skrubbe Flounder 2 point
	Ising Dab 2 point
	Sild Herring 2 point
	Havkarusse Goldsinny Wrasse 2 point
	Savgylte Corkwing Wrasse 2 point
	Hvilling Whiting 2 point
	Kutling Goby 2 point
	Makrel Mackerel 3 point
	Hornfisk Garfish 3 point
	Ulk Sculpin 3 point
	Grå knurhane Grey Gunard 3 point
	Torsk Cod 3 point
	Kuller Haddock 3 point
	Sej Coalfish 3 point
	Lange Ling 3 point
	Berggylte Ballan Wrasse 3 point
	Fladfisk + 35 Flatfish 2 point
	Andre arter Other spieces 4 point
POINTS	ANTAL ARTER TOTAL POINTS
MÅ KUN UDFYLDES AF DHF SEKRETARIATET	

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Specieschampionship
Rødspætte Plaice 2 point
Skrubbe Flounder 2 point
Ising Dab 2 point
Rødspætte + 35cm Plaice + 35cm 4 point
Skrubbe + 35cm Flounder + 35cm 4 point
Ising + 30cm Dab + 30cm 4 point
Øvrige fladfisk All Other flatfish 4 point
POINTS
MÅ KUN UDFYLDES AF DHF SEKRETARIATET

Fishing Rules for Species and Boat Championship

1. Fishing in the Øresund and is based on catch & release, your catch has to be registered on your scorecard. **You can start fishing again after your fish is registered.**
   If you want to keep the fish, the fish has to be killed and the tail has to be cut off before you continue fishing. Cod has to be released immediately.
2. Fishing will be at drift, though the skipper may hold the boat in the current.
3. The scorecards inform about species, amounts and categories, see the pictures of the scorecards for Species- and Boat-championship.
4. A maximum of 2 hooks; 1 treble (or double) hook may be used, un-baited and only connected free-swinging and directly to a pirk, maximum gape of 21 mm (8/0 size).
5. Wireline (metal) is not allowed.
6. Anglers may only have 1 rod fitted with terminal tackle at any time, a second rod may be assembled, but without terminal tackle attached.
7. A competitor who has a big fish hooked, has right of way on the boat and other anglers should give way.
8. Anglers may receive assistance to gaff or net a fish.
9. Foul hooked fish, meaning hooked behind the gill-cover, does not count in the competition.
10. Fish hooked by more then 1 angler do count for the angler having hooked the fish in the mouth. Fish hooked in any other way by 2 anglers, do not count.
11. All fish count, except weever.
12. The boat draw will be held in public at least 1 month prior to the championship.
13. Different family combinations can be drawn beside of eachother, though punching scorecards has to be done by non-family members. Please inform the organization when sending your entry, so we can take care with the boat-draw..
14. It is the responsability of the angler to have a Danish Fishing Permit (=fisketegn). Participants under 18 and above 65 do not need a fishing permit. The permits can be provided by the organization, please tick the box on your entry form.
15. There will be a fishing captain on every boat, his/her duty is to liase with the skipper, take care that the fishing runs smoothly and help in any dispute.
16. In case of bad weather, the organization has the right to cancel 1 days fishing or change the time-schedule.
17. Only underhand casting allowed, tackle should be always outside of the boat.
18. Worms will be provided as bait every day. 500 grams of worms for the Species championship and 400 grams of worms for the Boatchampionship. Fish caught by the angler like herring and mackerel can be used as bait, **provided** the tail is removed Bait may not be shared and not kept after the fishing day.
19. The Boatchampionship is held August 18 – 20, 2027 and is a 3 days competition all days counting.
20. The Species championship is held August 16 & 17, 2027 and is a 2 days event, both days counting.
21. All artificial lures are permitted.
22. Daily results will be posted every evening at the Head Quarters.
23. The boats sail every day at 09.00 from Helsingør harbour; 6 hours of fishing/day, see time-table in the brochure. Boats are expected to be back in the harbour around 16.00
24. Members of the protest committee will be published together witht he boat draw. If a protest is made to one of the members of the protest committee it has to be done on the day of the occurrance before 19.00. Protest about the results must be reported to the protest committee before 09.00 next day.
25. It is the responsability of each competitor that he/she signs his scorecard and the scorecard is correct. You are not allowed to punch your own scorecard, only your neighboor angler or a crew member.
26. We refer to the EFSA General Boat Competition Rules.

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Entry form

Entry Form Species and Boat Championships – Helsingør/Elsinore 2027

August 16 – 20th 2027 to be sent to, Anders Wolff, secretary of Danish Sea Fishing Association before May 1, 2027 (via your national secretary) mail : anders-wolff@hotmail.com

Name……..

Address……..

Postal Code……. City……

Country ……. EFSA Membership number……

Section …….. Team : ……

Special wishes for the fishing together on boat with Man/Wife/Junior ……

Please inform the organization in case of other special requirements

Membership class

Annual Member ☐ Senior ☐ Lady ☐ Junior ☐ Life Member ☐

(Junior pays 50 % of entry-costs – age calculated from the start-date of the event)

Non-Fishing companions : ……

Non-fishing companions : ……..

Bus	☐	250 DKK/27 €/ 5 days
Entry Costs for Species Championship	☐	3000 DKK/400 €/ 2 days
Entry costs for Boat Championship	☐	4500 DKK/600 €/ 3 days
Or, if you join both competitions	☐	6950 DKK/925 €/ 5 days
Reception and gala dinner	☐	(included for participant)
Gala Dinner* – Amount of extra persons	☐	550 DKK/75 €/person
Weeks Fishing License (not needed for < 18 and > 65)	☐	150 DKK / 20 €

Total Sum ……

Total sum to be paid before May 1st 2027 to Account

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BIC/SWIFT DABADKKK

IBAN DK3530000009307478

Account 1551 9307478

(Dansk registreringsnummer-kontonummer 1551-9307478)

The sender must pay all Bank/Commission charges.

I agree to be bound by the rules of the Championship and will not hold the Organization responsible for any loss, damage or accident caused by myself, my companion or property during the event.

Date ……..2027 Signed ……

Trophy and prize list, European Boat Championship 2027

Trophy		Medals and Prize
Decantelle Trophy	European Boat Champion	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medal
		Gold/Silver/Bronze **Pin**
Decantelle Ladies Trophy	European Boat Champion Lady	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medal
Mike Smith Trophy	European Boat Champion Junior	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medal
Fairway Trophy	Life Member Boat Champion	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medal
News of the World cup	National Team Boat Champions (5)	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medal
News of the World cup	International Team Boat Champions (4)	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medal
Gibraltar Cup	Open team of 2 Boat Champions	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medal
Fishing Gazette Trophy	Executive Team of 4 Boat Champions (4)	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medal
Continental Cup	Senior Members Boat Champion	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medal
Scotsman Trophy	Longest Cod	Gold Medal
Jens Frandsen Plate	Longest Flatfish	Gold Medal
Anglers Mail Cup	Longest Coalfish/Pollack	Gold Medal
Henry Poulton Cup	Longest Mackerel	Gold Medal
Prince de Ligne Cup	Most fish/tournament	Gold Medal
Dunlop Sealey Trophy	Most unusual fish	Gold Medal
Ken Waller Memorial	Single best catch/day, men	Gold Medal
Philadore Cup	Single best catch/day ladies	Gold Medal

European Boat Championship Prizes sponsored by Garmin and Pure Fishing.

Individual	1 – 10th
Ladies	1 – 3rd
Juniors	1 – 3rd
Seniors	1 – 3rd
Life Members	1 – 3rd
Open 4 man team	1 – 3rd
Open 2 man team	1 – 3rd
Executive 4 man team	1 – 3rd

Prizes : Amongst the prices from our sponsors are Garmin watches, Penn tackle and Plano boxes.

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Trophy and prize list, European Species Championship 2027

Medals and Prize

European Species Champion	Gold/Silver/Bronze **Medal**
	Gold/Silver/Bronze **Pin**
European Species Lady	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medal optional
European Species Junior	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medal optional
National Team Species (5)	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medal
International Team Species (4)	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medal
Open team of 2 Species	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medal
Executive Team of 4 Species (4)	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medal
Senior Members Boat Champion	Gold/Silver/Bronze Medal
Longest Flatfish	Gold Medal ot other
Single best catch/day	Gold Medal

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Juniors	1 – 3rd
Senior	1 – 3rd
Open 4 man team	1 – 3rd
Open 2 man team	1 – 3rd
Executive 4 man team	1 – 3rd

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