To: ICSF Board and Executive board members,

From: Japan Casting Sport Federation

Subject: Proposal from Japan Casting Sport Federation, about Changing fly lines for competition.

In light of the fact that Airflo has stopped supplying competition fly lines, we believe that the time has come to change the way we think about competition fly lines. We believe that it is a matter of survival of the sport of casting to adopt rules that will make fishing tackle manufacturers more interested in the sport of casting.

We need to integrate the rules with fly casting rules to not only increase the casting population, but also to attract participants from other types of fishing.

On the other hand, we also believe that it is practically impossible to change lines immediately. We cannot abandon the lines we are already using. Then we think we should work on changing the line with a buffer of several years.

At the same time, we think it is necessary to approach other line manufacturers besides Airflow to see if it is possible to create a new line. If no manufacturer can be found during the three-year transition period, we may switch, and if one can be found, we may leave it as it is.

However, this would be on a 120g line and we think it is desirable to reduce the weight of single handed lines. Maybe make the 27g Sea Trout games from Fly Casting, or a little heavier (30g?).

Competition fly lines are not required for accuracy competitions. We believe that a floating line should be used for more and better visibility. If we were to specify it would be a 27g sea trout fly line, but there are already several different types of line available for this.

For these reasons, it is proposed that competition fly lines for fly events should be \cdots

=Fly Accuracy.

The choice of line shall be free. Any line shall be acceptable.

(or 27g floating line, with sea trout).

=Fly Single-handed Distance

-Change the weight of the line to 34g, while the choice of line, modification and repair shall

be free. (Metal core lines are not permitted)

=Fly Double-handed Distance

After 3 years, the weight of the line is to be changed. Weight to be negotiated.

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