Competition rules

FLYCASTING

Standard flyfishing equipment

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1. **General rules**

The following applies for all events:

1. **Starting order**: The starting order is to be drawn.
2. **Finals**: The six best contestants from the qualification rounds are going to the finals. The starting order in the finals are determined by the results in the qualification round (reversed order): The contestant with the 6th. best place in the qualification round starts as no. 1 in the finals, while the contestant with the best result from the qualification round starts as no. 6 in the finals. Arranging finals requires minimum 15 participants.
3. **Cast offs**: If there is a tie on 6th. place in qualification round or on 1st.-3rd. place in the finals, the involved casters will meet in cast-off. If finals are not being arranged, there will be no cast-offs for 6th. place.
4. **Assistance**: The contestants can receive assistance from only one person at a time (change flies, unsolving knots etc.). It is allowed to guide/ give comments of casting techniques, but not in accuracy regarding hits or misses.
5. **Timing**: The contestants are not allowed to alterate their equipment when time is running (except for fly and leader). If there are any breakage on the equipment (other than fly or leader), the time will be stopped, until the broken parts are replaced. A valid cast must be delivered within the time limit.
6. **Courts**: When the organizers have built lanes in both directions for distance casting, and it is possible to select the track direction, the caster must choose direction at least one minute before the previous caster has finished his casting. If there are two lanes in both directions, athletes must agree among themselves which direction to cast. If they fail to agree, they must cast the same direction as the previous pair. When having two courts, the casters have half the time in each court, changing after half time. They will have 30 seconds to change. Time stops between the two rounds.
7. **Jury**: The Jury consists of 3 persons, who: a) treats received protests; b) treats violation of rules and decide possible sanctions; c) in consultation with the organizer make decisions regarding technical execution of the events.
8. **Protest**: Protest must be forwarded in written form to the jury no later than 30 minutes after the results from the event in matter has been announced.
9. **Doping**: All participants are obliged to follow the doping rules set by the doping bureau WADA of the International Olympic Committee (IOC).
2. World Championship

The following applies for World Championship:

1. Participation: All national organizations under ICSF/CIPS may take part in the World Championship. Each nation can participate with maximum 8 casters in each event. Arranging an event requires minimum 10 participants in total, from minimum 3 nations (per class).

2. Classes: Four classes divided by gender: a) men, b) women, c) veteran men and d) veteran women.

3. Trout accuracy

   Equipment

1. Rod: Fly rod of any brand or AFTM class, maximum length 275.5 cm. including production deviation (9 ft. = 274.3 cm).
2. Fly line: Scientific Anglers Mastery Expert Distance Competition WF5F (orange, 120 ft.). The line is not to be modified in any way, except from cutting the loops in front and back. The line must be lasermarked from producer.
3. Leader: Monofilament, minimum length 2.5 meters. Tippet of minimum length 40 cm. and maximum diameter of 0.30 mm.
4. Fly: Supplied by organizer (fly with hook removed).

   The event

5. Court: 4 targets, each consisting of 3 circular rings with diameters of 60-120-180 cm. The targets are to be placed randomly between 8 and 15 meters from the stand (measured from the front and of the stand to the center of the individual targets). The distance between the stand and the targets will be reset between the qualification rounds and the finals. The stand is marked and measures 1.2 m. x 1.2 m.
6. Casting sequence: From left to right 1, 2, 3, 4 * 4, a total of 16 cast.
7. Type of cast: Overhead cast is the only type of cast allowed. Adjusting the length of the line outside the top ring can only be done while false casting. When starting, the caster must hold the fly in hand, and the length of the fly line outside the top ring cannot exceed the length of the rod.
8. Time limit: 5 minutes
9. Results: A hit is recorded if the fly hits within or on the ring itself. A hit on or within the center ring is awarded with five (5) points, a hit on or within the middle ring is awarded with three (3) points, and a hit on or within the outer ring is awarded with one (1) point. If the fly, leader or line strikes the surface while false casting, the cast is regarded invalid (0 points), and the caster must continue to the next target. If two or more contestants achieves same result, the elapsed time will decide their rankings.
Drawings for the courts for Trout accuracy.
4. **Trout distance**

**Equipment**

1. **Rod:** Fly rod of any brand or AFTM class, maximum length 275.5 cm. including production deviation (9 ft. = 274.3 cm).

10. **Fly line:** Scientific Anglers mastery expert distance competition WF5F (orange, 120 ft.). The line is not to be modified in any way, except from cutting the loops in front and back. The line must be lasermarked from producer.

3. **Leader:** Monofilament, maximum length 3 meters. Tippet diameter unrestricted.

4. **Fly:** Supplied by organizer (yarn/wool).

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5. **Court:** A valid cast must be delivered from the stand and in-between parallel sector lines. The sectors have a width between 5-10 meters and a minimum length of 50 meters. The width of the stand equals the width of the sector.

6. **Time limit:** 4 minutes.

7. **Results:** The casts are measured from the stand to the fly, and to the nearest half a meter. The longest cast delivered within the time limit will define the contestants’ results. If two or more contestants achieves the same distance, the second longest casts will decide their rankings.
5. Seatrout distance

**Equipment**

1. **Rod:** Fly rod of any brand or AFTM class, maximum length 306 cm. including production deviation (10 ft. = 304.8 cm).
2. **Fly line:** Floating synthetic fly line. Maximum head weight 27 grams. Front taper, tip of line and any part of rear taper with diameter exceeding 1 mm. (.039 in.) is included in head weight. Maximum allowed diameter of any part of the fly line is 2 mm. (.079 in).
3. **Running line:** Diameter between 0.35 mm - 1 mm. (.014 - .039 in.). Any part exceeding 1 mm. will be included in head weight.
4. **Leader:** Monofilament, maximum length 3 meters. Tippet diameter unrestricted.
5. **Fly:** Supplied by organizer (yarn/wool).

**The event**

6. **Court:** A valid cast must be delivered from the stand and in-between parallel sector lines. The sectors have a width between 5-10 meters and a minimum length of 60 meters. The width of the stand equals the width of the sector.
7. **Time limit:** 4 minutes.
8. **Results:** The casts are measured from the stand to the fly, and to the nearest half a meter. The longest cast delivered within the time limit will define the contestant’s results. If two or more contestants achieves the same distance, the second longest casts will decide their rankings.
6. Salmon distance

Equipment

1. **Rod**: Fly rod of any make or AFTM class, maximum length 460 cm. including production deviation (15 ft. = 457.20 cm).
2. **Fly line**: Floating synthetic fly line. Maximum head weight 55 grams. Front taper, tip of line and any part of rear taper with diameter exceeding 1.1 mm. (.043 in.) is included in head weight. Maximum allowed diameter of any part of the fly line is 3 mm. (.118 in).
3. **Running line**: Diameter between 0.35 mm - 1.1 mm. (.014 - .043 in.). Any part exceeding 1.1 mm. will be included in head weight.
4. **Leader**: Monofilament, maximum length 5 meters. Tippet diameter unrestricted.
5. **Fly**: Supplied by organizer (yarn/wool).

The event

6. **Court**: A valid cast must be delivered from the stand and in-between parallel sector lines. The sectors have a width between 5-10 meters and a minimum length of 70 meters. The width of the stand equals the width of the sector.
7. **Time limit**: 5 min.
8. **Results**: The casts are measured from the stand to the fly, and to the nearest half a meter. The longest cast delivered within the time limit will define the contestant’s results. If two or more contestants achieves the same distance, the second longest casts will decide their rankings.

Minimum length 70 meters

| Stand | 5-10 meters |
7. Spey distance 15'1"

Equipment
1. **Rod:** Fly rod of any make or AFTM class, maximum length 460 cm. including production deviation (15 ft. 1 inches = 459.74 cm).
2. **Fly line:** Floating synthetic fly line. Maximum allowed diameter of any part of the fly line is 3 mm. (.118 in).
3. **Running line:** Unrestricted
4. **Leader:** Monofilament, maximum length 5 meters. Tippet diameter unrestricted.
5. **Fly:** Supplied by organizer (yarn/wool)

The event
6. **Court:** The stand is in front of a V-shaped sector with an angle of 40 degrees. The contestants stands in water with maximum depth of 2 feet. Starting a cast, the whole line must be placed outside of a sector line. Delivering the cast, the fly must land on the outside of the other sector line. The fly must anchor in front of the line formed by the front edge of the stand. The sector lines have a minimum length of 60 meters.
7. **Required casts:** a) Line from right - over left shoulder and b) line from left - over right shoulder.
8. **Time limit:** 6 minutes. No warm-up time.
9. **Results:** The casts are measured from the stand to the fly, and to the nearest half a meter.

The sum of the longest cast for each of the two required type of casts within the time limit will define the contestants results.
If two or more contestants achieves the same result, the sum of the second longest casts on each side of the sector will decide their rankings.
8. Spey distance 16' & 18'

Equipment:
1. Rod: Fly rod of any make or AFTM class, maximum length for men 550 cm. including production deviation (18 ft. = 548.64 cm), and for women 489 cm. (16 ft. = 487.68 cm.)
2. Fly line: Floating synthetic fly line. Maximum allowed diameter of any part of the fly line is 3 mm. (.118 in).
4. Leader: Monofilament, maximum length 6 meters. Tippet diameter unrestricted.
5. Fly: Supplied by organizer (yarn/wool)

The event
6. Court: The stand is in front of a V-shaped sector with an angle of 30 degrees. The contestants stands on a platform. Starting a cast, the whole line must be placed outside of a sector line. Delivering the cast, the fly must land on the outside of the other sector line. The fly must anchor in front of the line formed by the front edge of the stand
7. Time limit: 6 minutes. No warm-up time.
Results: The casts are measured from the stand to the fly, and to the nearest half a meter. The longest cast delivered within the time limit will define the contestants results. If two or more contestants achieves the same distance, the second longest casts will decide their rankings.