

THE FISHING REGIME FOR THE LAKE ŠMARTINSKO JEZERO

- CARP FISHING CATCH AND RELEASE STYLE - 2017



1. FISHING LICENCE

- (1) The fishing licence can be for a day, three days or annual. The night fishing licences are sold separately.
- (2) The fishing licence is non-transferable and is valid only when it can be used to identify its owner .

2. FISHING TIME TABLE

- (1) Time between dawn and dusk is considered daily fishing.
- (2) Dawn occurs one hour before sunrise, dusk occurs one hour after sunset. The accurate time of sunrise and sunset found in the data of the Agency for Environment of the Republic of Slovenia is considered valid.
- (3) **The fishing from certain positions of the 24-hours route Catch and Release LKO Loče (see map) is only possible with prior e-reservation or the purchase of the fishing licence at <http://www.ribisekarte.si/en/rd-celje/smartinsko> jezero.** Prior reservation for fishing on other two routes Lešje and Brezova as well on other parts of the lake is not necessary.
- (4) **The fishing in the lake Šmartinsko jezero is forbidden from 01.12. to 28.02. or when the lake is frozen.**

3. NIGHT FISHING

- (1) The night fishing is allowed for carp fishing with ballast and only CATCH AND RELEASE style.
- (2) The fishing spots for practising day-night carp fishing (carps, grass carps) in CATCH AND RELEASE style are on the registered routes: Loče from 01.03. to 30.11., Lešje from 01.03. to 30.11. and Brezova from 01.09. to 30.11. (ANNEX 1)
- (3) **The take of fish on these routes and on these dates is strictly forbidden!**
- (4) The use of lightning fixtures for luring of fish and illuminating the area is forbidden at night fishing. Regardless, the use of lights for the fisherman's own needs (headlamp) is allowed but it must not disturb the neighbouring fishermen.
- (5) **The use of open fire is strictly forbidden!**

4. WAYS OF FISHING AND GEAR

- (1) The fishing is allowed with up to two (2) fishing rods with one (1) hook and allowed bait tied.
- (2) The carp fishing must be performed without disturbing the neighbouring fishermen. The fishing must be perpendicular to the standing place and the shore.
- (3) With carp fishing it is forbidden to use cable as basic fishing wire, shock- leaders as well as snag -leaders.
- (4) The basic fishing wire for carp fishing must be at least 0,30 mm thick; the length of the pre-wire (from the spoon to the hook), must be up to 30 cm.
- (5) The fisherman can place up to two (2) markers (like H-buoy, stick buoy and etc.) during the fishing; he must tie it to the fishing rod for the length of his throw. After he concludes the fishing, he must remove it from the water.
- (6) The fisherman can also place an assigned tent (green or camouflage colour) during the fishing but only on the registered routes Loče, Lešje and Brezova (ANNEX 1).
- (7) In accordance with the Decree of the Municipality Celje it is forbidden to camp, raise tents of any kind or stay overnight in the area of the lake Šmartinsko jezero.

5. FISHING TECHNIQUES

- (1) The fishing for carps is allowed with the use of all legally allowed fishing techniques except with the technique named »Zig-Rig«.
- (2) When fishing for carps, the boat can be used for: transport of the fishing gear to the fishing spot, trying the sonar, placing the markers (2) as far as the throw reaches, feeding and possibly even rescuing the fish entangled into water obstacles.
- (3) It is forbidden to tire out the entangled fish from the boat or to fish from it!

6. ALLOWED BAITS AND BAITS FOR LURING THE FISH

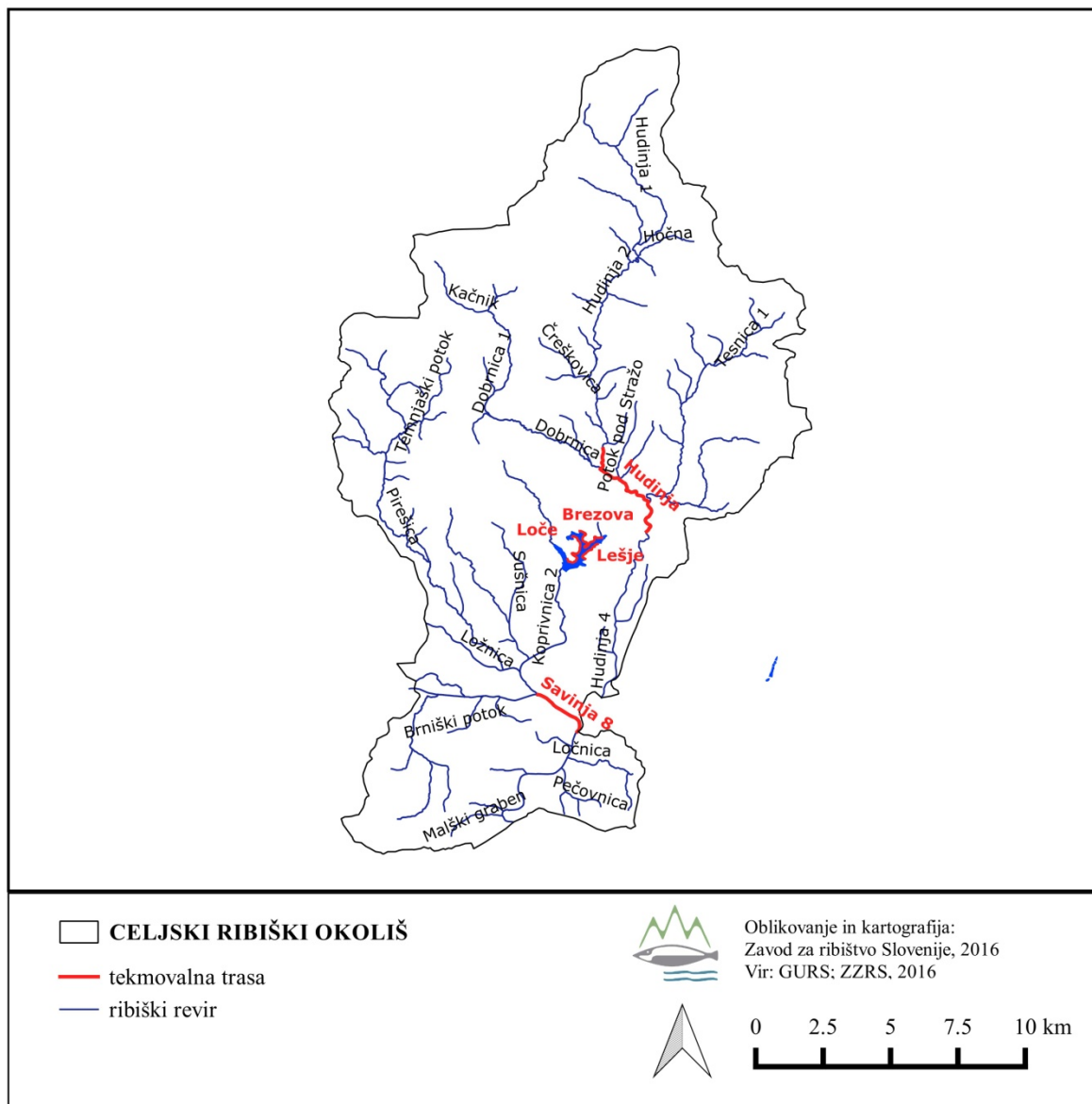
- (1) The fishing for carps is allowed with artificial baits and with baits of animal and plant origin .
- (2) It is forbidden to use as the baits for luring the fish or as the baits in fishing:
live animals, except rainworms and maggots,
animals or materials from animals that are endangered and protected in accordance with regulations to keep nature safe,
and substances that contain toxic or intoxicating ingredients.
- (3) It is strictly forbidden to use bait boats or drones in order to feed the fish or to distribute the ties, with or without baits.
- (4) Distributing the ties with or without the bait using the boat is strictly forbidden!
- (5) The total of baits for luring the fish must not exceed 5kg per fishing day or night and only up to 1kg can be of animal origin.

7. HANDLING THE CAUGHT FISH AND MANDATORY ADDITIONAL GEAR

- (1) The caught fish can be taken with wet hands only.
- (2) Taking pictures of the caught fish must be done kneeling and over the mat.
- (3) The caught fish must be returned to water immediately, alive and unharmed.
- (4) The use of nets for keeping live fish is strictly forbidden!
- (5) It is mandatory to use the hand net at least 108cm wide and the mat at least 120 cm long.
- (6) The fisherman must have equipment for dehooking (dehooker, forceps) the fish on him while fishing.

8. COMPETITIONS

- (1) In the district Šmartinsko jezero the competitions in freshwater recreational fishing can take place only on registered competition routes: Loče, Lešje in Brezova (Annex 1). The competitions can only take place in accordance with Pravilnik RZS o tekmovanjih v sladkovodnem športnem ribolovu (Legislation for freshwater recreational fishing competitions) and with Pravilnik RD Celje (Legislation of the RD Celje)..
- (2) The competitions take place based on the Annual Calendar of the Competitions and Events by the RD Celje- you can check it out on their website, their Facebook page, news bulletin or on the bulletin boards of the RD Celje.
- (3) The fishing on the competition route is forbidden when there is a competition in freshwater recreational fishing, according to Pravilnik RZS o tekmovanjih v sladkovodnem športnem ribolovu (Legislation for freshwater recreational fishing competition) or to Pravila RD Celje (Legislation of the RD Celje).



Annex 1: Competition routes in fishing districts of Celje. (Picture 6, annex RGN 2017-2012)