



# FISHING REGIME FOR THE LAKE ŠMARTINSKO JEZERO – CARP FISHING, C&R - 2023

## 1. FISHING LICENCE

- (1) Fishing licence can be daily, 3-day or annual. Night licence are available separately.
- (2) The fishing licence is non-transferable and is valid only when it can be used to identify its owner.

## 2. FISHING TIME

- (1) Time between dawn and dusk is considered daily fishing. Time between dusk and dawn is considered night fishing.
- (2) Dawn occurs one hour before sunrise, dusk occurs one hour after sunset. The accurate time of sunrise and sunset may be found in the data of the Environmental Agency of the Republic of Slovenia.
- (3) 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 as on the other parts of the lake, is not necessary.
- (4) The fishing in the lake Šmartinsko jezero is forbidden when the lake is frozen.
- (5) Fishing in silent zone is forbidden.

## 3. NIGHT FISHING

- (1) Night fishing is only allowed for C&R fishing for carps and grass carps, using weight (ground fishing).
- (2) Fishing spots for practising day-night carp C&R fishing (carps, grass carps) are on the registered routes.
- (3) **It is strictly forbidden to kill the fish during these dates on these routes!**
- (4) During night fishing, the use of illuminating tackle is forbidden. Regardless of the latter, the use of lights for the fisherman's own needs (headlamp) is allowed but it must not disturb the neighbouring anglers.
- (5) **The use of open fire is strictly forbidden!**

## 4. FISHING AND TACKLE

- (1) Fishing is allowed with up to two (2) fishing rods with one (1) rig, one (1) hook and one allowed bait tied.
- (2) Carp fishing must be performed without disturbing the neighbouring anglers. Fishing is generally carried out perpendicular to the standing place and the opposite shore.
- (3) When carp fishing, it is forbidden to use braided line, shock-leaders as well as snag-leaders.
- (4) Basic mono for carp fishing must be at least 0,30 mm thick; the length of the leader (from the swivel to the hook), must be up to 30 cm.
- (5) An angler may place one (1) marker (such as H-buoy, stick buoy, etc.); he must tie it to the fishing rod for the length of his throw. After he finishes, he must remove it from the water.
- (6) **An angler can build a tent (in green or camo), 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, to build a tent of any kind or stay overnight in the area of the lake Šmartinsko jezero.

## 5. FISHING TECHNIQUES

- (1) Carp fishing is allowed using all legally prescribed fishing techniques, except for the »zig-rig«, which is forbidden.
- (2) Using a boat is strictly forbidden, except: during the day to transport the fishing gear to the fishing spot, to use a sonar, placing the marker (1) in the length of one cast and to possibly rescue a fish entangled into water obstacles.
- (3) It is forbidden to play a fish from the boat. It is also forbidden to fish from the boat.

## 6. ALLOWED BAITS AND BAITS FOR FEEDING THE FISH

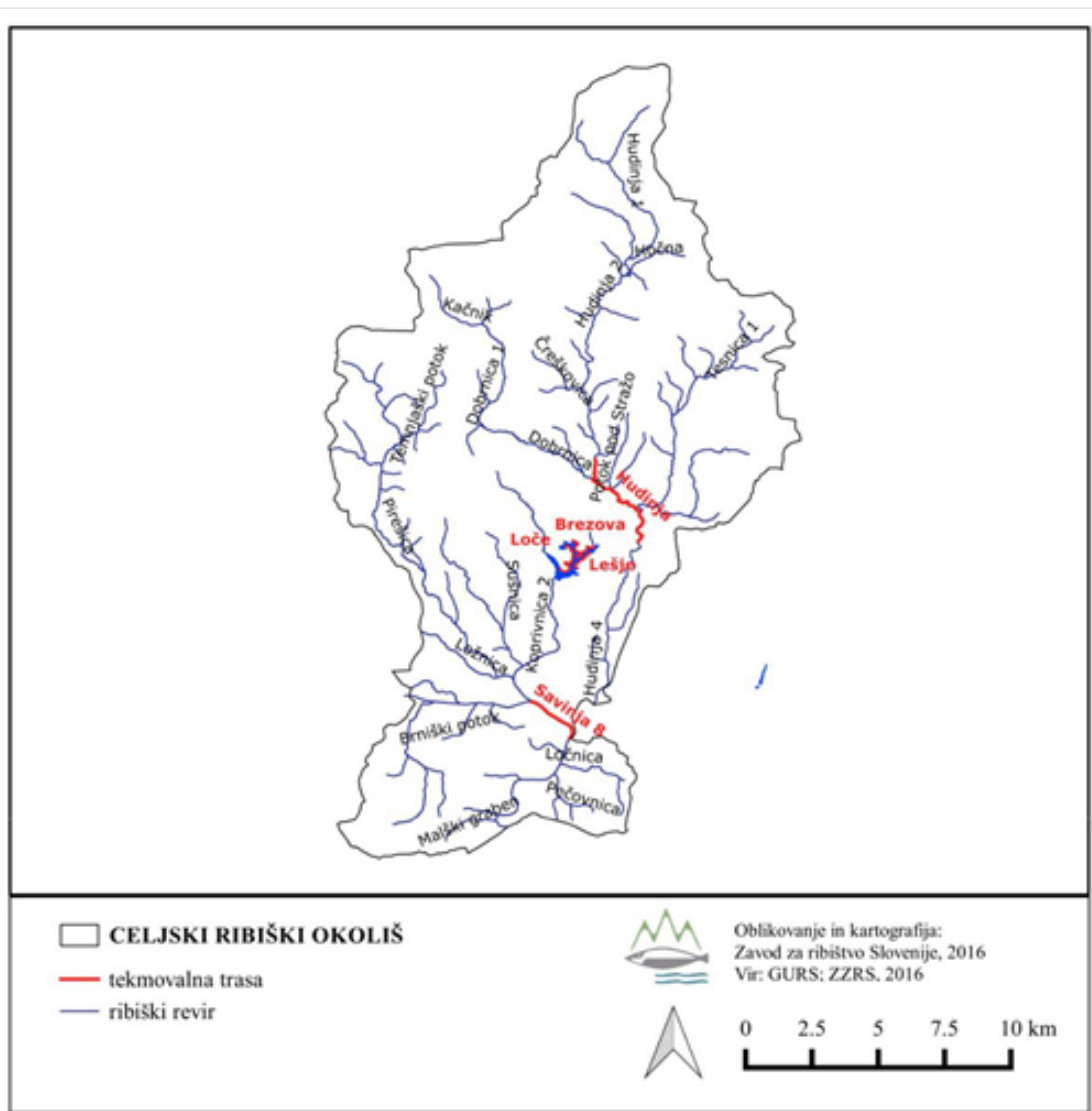
- (1) Carp fishing is allowed with artificial baits and with baits of animal and plant origin.
- (2) As a bait and bait to feed the fish, it is forbidden to use: live animals, except rainworms and maggots, animals or materials from animals that are endangered and protected in accordance with regulations, substances that contain toxic or intoxicating ingredients.
- (3) **It is strictly forbidden to use bait boats or drones.**
- (4) The total bait for feeding must not exceed 5 kg per day or night (per angler) and only up to 1 kg of it can be of animal origin.

## 7. HANDLING THE FISH, MANDATORY AND RECOMMENDED TACKLE

- (1) All fish must be handled with wet hands only.
- (2) Eventual photography is only allowed in kneeling position and above cradle or unhooking mat.
- (3) All caught fish must be immediately returned back to the water, alive and unharmed.
- (4) Angler must have a landing net with sides of minimum 108 cm, as well as unhooking mat of minimum sides of 120 cm. Unhooking devices (pliers) are mandatory as well.
- (5) The use of nets for keeping live fish is forbidden.

## 11. COMPETITIONS

- (1) In the district Šmartinsko jezero lake, competitions in freshwater recreational fishing can only take place on the registered competition routes: Loče, Lešje and Brezova (see Annex 1). The competitions can only take place in accordance with Pravilnik RZS o tekmovalnih 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. One can check it out on the website, Facebook page, news bulletin or on the bulletin boards of the RD Celje.
- (3) During competition, recreational fishing on the competition route is forbidden.



Annex 1: Competition routes in fishing districts of RD Celje (Picture 6, annex RGN 2017-2021)