

# ***Invitation to Nordic Championship in spearfishing 2012 – Korsør, Denmark.***

## **Time and place**

This years competition will take place in Korsør, some of Denmark's finest fishingwater. Hopefully, if the weather allows it, we will be spearfishing near/under the beautiful Great Belt Bridge and around the deserted little island in the middle of Great Belt, called Sprogø.

The competition will take place 31<sup>th</sup> of august and the 1<sup>st</sup> of september 2012

The length of competition time is 5 hours each day.

## **Accommodation**

To make the logistics easy for our fellow hunters from the north, we have premade reservations on accommodation for everyone at "Svenstrupgaard", a hostel offering 4-person rooms.

The premade reservation is made from the 26<sup>th</sup> of august to the 2<sup>nd</sup> of September. To get a room, **make your own reservation** and just refer to "accommodation for Nordic Championships".

We hope to gather all the teams, inclusive the Danish team here, to be able to get together after the competition. The award ceremony Saturday evening will also take place here.

*Note: The pre-reservation will expire the 26<sup>th</sup> of July – after that rooms here can not be guaranteed.*

Therefore please book your accommodation as soon as possible.

4 person rooms are 650 DKR a night = 162,5 DKR a person.

Special requests can be made too.

Remember linen for the beds.

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## **Inscription**

National teams' detailed inscription must be sent by E-mail by 14<sup>th</sup> of August 2012 to:

[Flauridsen@gmail.com](mailto:Flauridsen@gmail.com)

The Norwegians, Fins and Danes invited are three teams plus one in reserve (10). Sweden are invited 1 team and one spearfisher in reserve (4). Each team constitution must be clear when inscription takes place. Also who is reserve.

## **The fishing and the diving**

The Great Belt has a big variety of fish species. Many kinds of benthics (flat, bottomliving fishes) are

caught here, the flounders and turbot with great sizes. Cods, mullets, garfish and trouts are all very likely in this time of year. Last year the national competition was held at the same dates with many beautiful catches (7-10 mixed pelagics for the best spearos each day).

The water is normally quite clear in this area. This is probably because of the strong current which is characteristic for The Belt Seas (beware!).

Boats are definitely an issue here, as they are allways around. Not all recognize the Danish diveflag (Blue and white), why the diver need to pay attention.

If you don't have this flag, please buy one before the competition:

[http://sportsbutikken.dk/catalog/shopping\\_cart.php?sort=4a](http://sportsbutikken.dk/catalog/shopping_cart.php?sort=4a)

The landscape here is mostly sand and stone reefs. Clams are also covering the seafloor filtering the water even cleaner. There will be lots of coastline and lots of offshore spots to fish.

And to fish legally in DK you need a license which can be bought here:

<https://www.fisketegn.dk/fisketegn/common/setupAnglerFisherType.do>

### **Fishcard**

A fishcard with minimum sizes covering all legal fish will be made for the competition.

### **Points**

2 point for each gram pelagic fish (cod, trout, mullet, perch, pike, garfish, and such)  
and 500 points for each pelagic fish.

1 point for each bentic fish (flounder, turbot, plaiche)  
and 100 points for each bentic fish.

### **Bonuspoints**

1 species : 0 points

2 species : 500 points

3 species : 1000 points

4 species : 2000 points

5 species : 3000 points

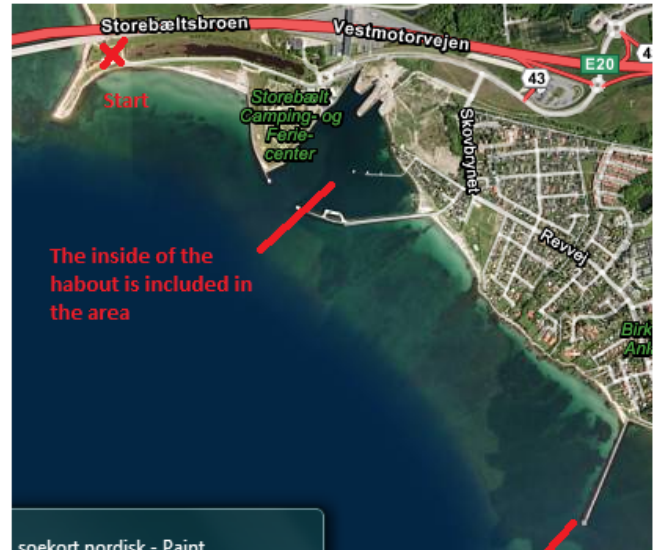
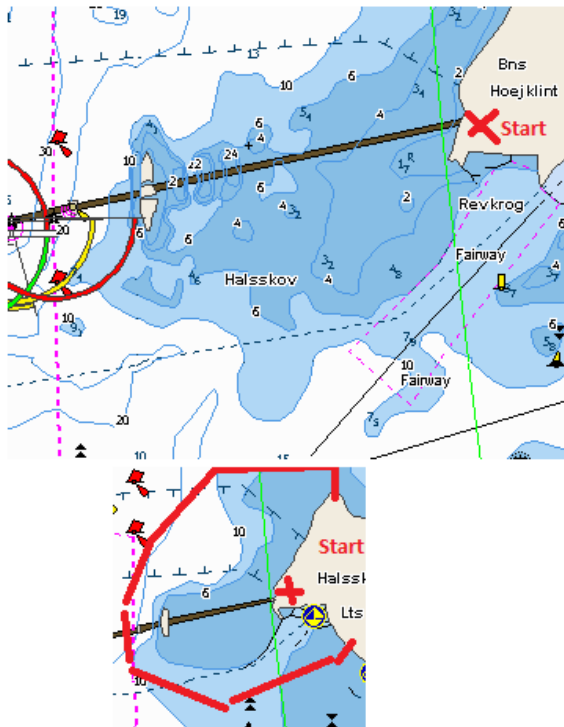
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A maximum of 7 fishes for each species counts. Bring all fish ashore.

Eel, Ide, bream, wrasse, heering, lumpfish, all carpfish and baitfish are not counting any points at all.

## Competition area

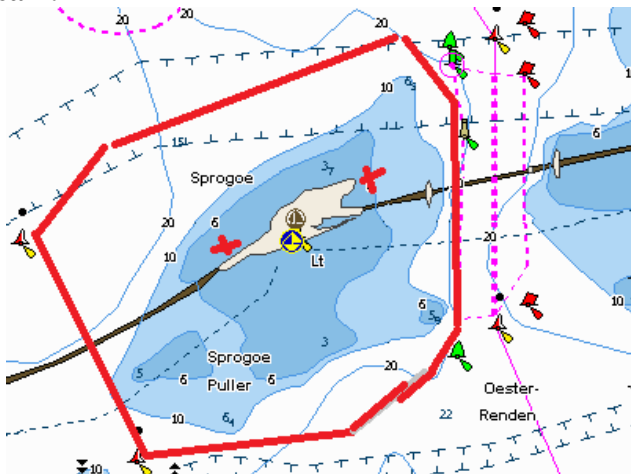
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Only the northside of this pier is included in the area

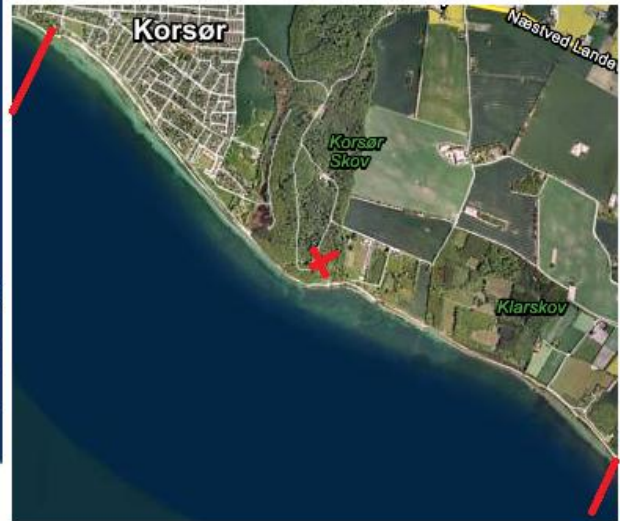
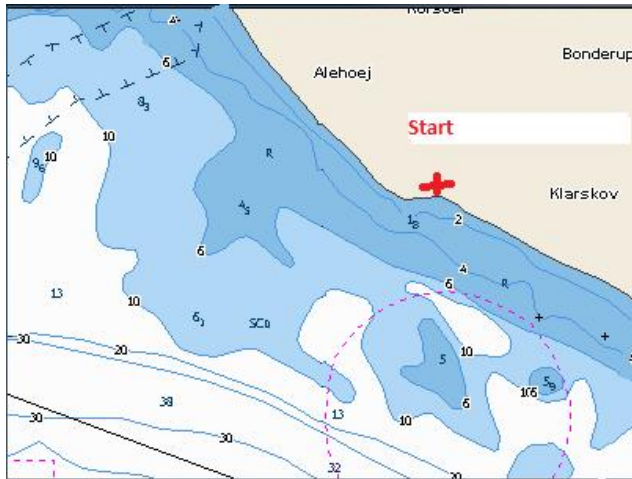
### Area 2:



All the windmills are included in the area

It is important that divers does not enter land, the area is a bird sanctuary. It is legal to rest in 20cm of water.

## Reserve area:



In this area markings on wrecks will be removed before competition. Also marking put out by third parts

Fish caught on wrecks, that are not marked, are legal in the competition

## Rules

We have a whole bunch of rules in common with the Finnish and the Norwegian spearfishers – but here are the most important and the most “Danish” rules as follows.

- No fishing inside harbours, piers and such. Only on the outside. NB. Exception of the old ferry harbour of Korsør.
- Keep distance of 20m to all divers when fishing and diving.
- All participants must carry a visible signal A flag (blue and white). This is Danish law – and not obeying is reason enough for being disqualified. See link above.
- All participants must carry an analog compass on them or their buoy.
- If a spearfisher is delayed he will get 1000 points of penalty for each minute until the + 10 minutes where he is disqualified. Arriving at official ending time + 10.00 minute is reason for disqualification.
- Fish caught below the legal minimum size is reason for disqualification.
  - Fish caught smaller than competition size (but brought inside the “goal area”) is reason for minus points.
  - Catching eel is reason for disqualification
- No electronic devices are allowed
- It is mandatory to have the buoy-line connected to the spear's weightbelt.
- It is mandatory to buy a **fishing license** for the Danish seas. It's available at all post offices. The price is 35kr for a day and 100kr for a week. See link above.

**Safety**

We will have safetyboats in the competition area to secure the divers, but be aware of the heavy boat traffic. Look around – and make sure you're A flag is visible.

**Information**

It is our purpose to keep the level of information high. We will give the information as soon as we have it ready. Please don't hesitate to contact us. [Flauridsen@gmail.com](mailto:Flauridsen@gmail.com)

*Look forward to having you on Danish hunting grounds again.*

*Regards Søren Forsberg and the rest of the Danish Spearfishing Committee*