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### **INTRO**

Vladimir Sever, President of the Croatian Sport Fishing Federation

Dear friends and fellow anglers,

It is with great joy and pride that the Croatian Sport Fishing Federation announces its role as organiser of the 25th World Carp Fishing Championship, taking place from 17 to 20 September 2025 on Lakes Borovik and Jošava, in the town of Đakovo. The event will be hosted by the Union of Sport Fishing Associations Đakovo, in partnership with Sport Fishing Club "Veterani 122" Đakovo.

We are proud to host this major event, which will bring together around 35 countries and the world's best carp anglers.

Croatia's national carp fishing team first participated in the World Championship in 2000, winning its first international medal at that very event. Since then, the team has competed continuously, achieving remarkable results and winning numerous world team and individual medals. Croatia is home to not only top-level competitors but also rich and well-stocked carp fishing lakes.

We believe this championship will showcase some of the finest waters our country has to offer and provide an unforgettable fishing experience for all participants.

As organisers and hosts, we will do our utmost to ensure the championship runs smoothly, and that the organisation, hospitality, and competition remain a cherished memory for all teams and visitors.

Enjoy the beauty of our waters, the richness and splendour of our fish, the charm of the Slavonian region, and its gastronomy—may this be just the first of many visits.

We wish you a successful championship, the best of luck, and a pleasant stay in Đakovo!



### **INTRO**

Marin Mandarić, Mayor of the Town of Đakovo

Welcome to Đakovo, the town of Lipizzaner horses, St. Peter's Cathedral, the Đakovo Embroidery Festival – and a town proud to host the World Carp Fishing Championship.

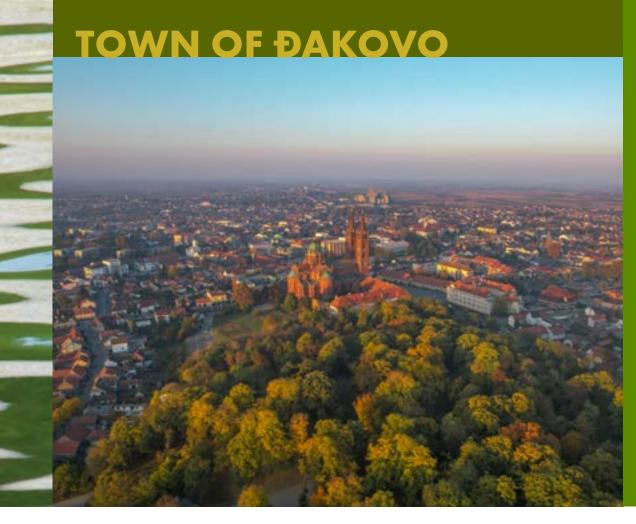
Welcome to the World Carp Fishing Championship in Đakovo, a town rich in tradition and natural beauty. In 2000, Đakovo hosted the first International Croatian Carp Cup, which is considered a turning point in the development of carp fishing in Croatia, laying the foundation for the organisation of similar events across the country. The first Croatian Carp Cup was also held at Lake Jošava, and with this prestigious World Championship, we mark a quarter-century of successful carp fishing in the Đakovo area. This tournament is not only an opportunity to bring together the world's best anglers, but also a chance to promote our town, our culture, and our longstanding respect for nature and sport.

Đakovo and its surroundings are known for their lakes—especially Jošava and Borovik—and for their wealth of natural resources. Carp remains one of the most prized fishing trophies. We have always been proud of our fishing tradition, and we strongly believe that this championship will be another step in promoting our city as a destination that combines sport, tourism, and community.

I hope you enjoy the competition, make new friendships, and discover everything that Đakovo has to offer. We hope that this championship be marked by fair play, sporting spirit, and mutual respect, and that all participants and guests will leave with unforgettable memories.

I would like to thank the organisers, hosts, sponsors, and volunteers for their dedication in making this championship a success.

I wish you the best of luck and success on the water, and may you all enjoy the magic of fishing and the beauty of our region.



Town of Đakovo and Strossmayer Park

The town of Đakovo is nestled in a plain in the central and most beautiful part of Slavonia, at an altitude of 111 m a.s.l. From whichever side you approach the town, the first thing you will see are the two towers and dome of the most beautiful cathedral in this part of the world, from Venice to Istanbul. There is hardly any traveller who has not heard of St. Peter's Cathedral, the life project of bishop Strossmayer.

The Town of Đakovo, an administrative unit comprising the town centre and the surrounding villages of Piškorevci, Budrovci, Đurđanci, Kuševac, Ivanovci Đakovački, Široko Polje, Novi Perkovci, and Selci Đakovački, had a population of 23,687 according to the 2021 census. This makes it the nineteenth-largest town in Croatia and the second-largest in Osijek-Baranja County.

The history of Đakovo dates back to the 11th century, though the area known as Đakovština (Đakovo Region) has been inhabited since the Neolithic period, around 5500 BCE. The town's development accelerated when the Bosnian bishops relocated to Đakovo. In 1239, Prince Coloman, brother of the Croatian-Hungarian King Béla IV, gifted the town of Đakovo and its surrounding lands to Bosnian bishop Ponsa as the seat of the diocese. Throughout history, the bishops of Đakovo have often been not only spiritual leaders, but also educators, statesmen, writers, patrons of the arts, and even warriors.



St. Peter's Cathedral

As a landmark of 19th-century Croatian culture, Đakovo offers visitors a wealth of historical, cultural, and natural treasures. There is so much to see that just a few days are not enough to take it all in. In Đakovo, you can stroll across the largest church square after the one in Rome and discover the most beautiful cathedral between Venice and Istanbul. You can admire the grace and grandeur of Lipizzaner horses at the State Stud Farm, then take a well-earned break in one of Đakovo's restaurants with a glass of fragrant Graševina or a shot of traditional rakija. If you enjoy festivals, you'll be swept away by the Đakovo Embroidery Festival, a celebration of folklore and cultural heritage, or the Bušari Mask Carnival, known for its vibrant and joyful atmosphere. No matter when you choose to visit, Đakovo will enchant you with its beauty and entertain you with its rich and diverse offerings.

It is an ideal destination if one is looking for some rest and relaxation, because it offers a perfect combination of cultural and natural sites, and apart from that, the famous Slavonian hospitality, local cuisine and excellent wines are just additional reasons why you should visit this town.

# ĐAKOVO EMBROIDERY FESTIVAL - AN UNMISSABLE SYMBOL OF ĐAKOVO



The Đakovo Embroidery Festival is, without a doubt, the signature symbol of Đakovo. Today, it is a well-known and highly regarded festival of authentic folk tradition, held annually in late June and early July. Each year, the event brings together around 10,000 participants from all over the world, and over 140,000 visitors come to the town over the course of two weeks.

The first Đakovo Embroidery Festival took place on 2 and 3 July 1967 as a unique cultural and tourist celebration organised to mark the International Year of Tourism. The initiative was led by Dr Zvonimir Benčević, and from its very first edition, the event achieved major success—not only in Slavonia, but throughout Croatia and beyond.

In 2023, Đakovo Embroidery Festival was named Tourism Event of the Year—a recognition that highlights the festival's role in preserving both the tangible and intangible cultural heritage. It adds exceptional value to the tourism offering, enhances the visitor experience, and strengthens the identity of both the local community and Croatia as a whole. The Đakovo Embroidery Festival is a manifestation of the people's way of life; it reflects the relationship

between people, as well as the relationship toward nature and toward the community. Based on its hosts, location, food offer, music and hospitality, the Festival is a reflection of the Slavonian man and of Slavonia, but at its core, it is a Croatian cultural, tourist and national treasure. It brings together Croatia and all generations of its inhabitants.

The Đakovo Embroidery Festival involves the whole town, both in terms of locations and organisation. Each inhabitant of Đakovo is part of the organisation because every household in Đakovo and every Đakovo resident celebrates the Festival. The Festival's uniqueness lies in the fact that it is deeply rooted in the life of Đakovo and all the towns and villages in Slavonia. It is an event which preserves the original Croatian tradition and heritage by celebrating it, but it also breathes new life into it through each new Festival held. The traditional Croatian culture has been preserved precisely thanks to organisation of such events.

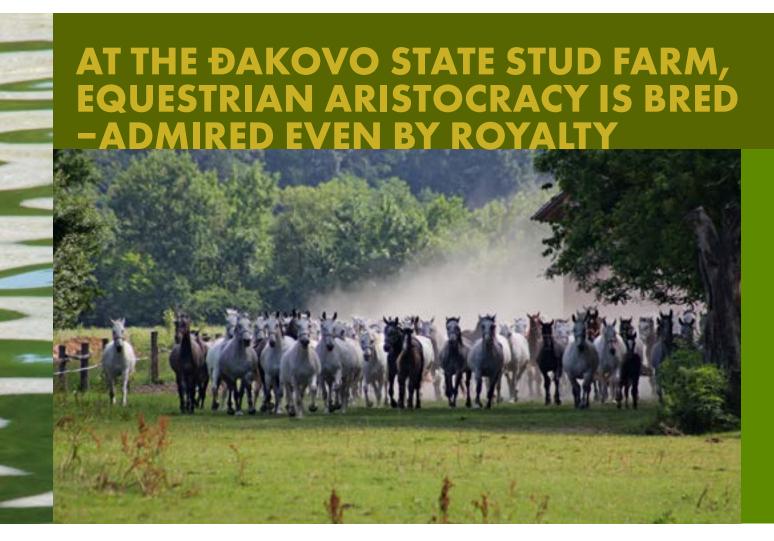
Đakovo, the Đakovo Embroidery Festival and the people of Đakovo work together to preserve the spirit of Slavonia; they are the most beautiful image of Slavonia that you could ever imagine.





The first Đakovo Bušari Mask Carnival was held in 1994, and since then the event has grown into the largest carnival celebration in eastern Croatia. The festival includes the traditional "Bušarenje," a lively parade through Dakovo's main promenade featuring the presentation and sale of traditional and local products, children's workshops, street performers, and the main highlight of the event – the Carnival Parade of the Bušari masks. A unique part of the festival is the Carnival Horse Riding, a custom specific to Slavonia, Baranja, and Srijem. As they ride through the village, horsemen stop at family homes (known as "stations"), where they are welcomed with Slavonian food and drinks, and in return, they offer songs of gratitude.

The Đakovo Bušari Mask Carnival is a meeting point of past, present, and future—a celebration of culture, diversity, and identity. It brings together customs, daily life, and the unique traditions of various parts of Đakovo region, Croatia, and even international guests.



Lipizzaners galloping out

One of the most important and enduring symbols of Đakovo and the Đakovo region are its horses, whose organised breeding has continued for more than five centuries at the renowned Đakovo Stud Farm. Founded in 1506, the stud farm is one of the oldest in Europe, a testament to the longstanding tradition of horse breeding in this part of Croatia. Today, the Đakovo State Stud Farm operates across two locations: the Stallion Stud Farm, located in the heart of Đakovo, and Ivandvor, just outside the town.

The tradition of Lipizzaner horse breeding in Slavonia, Baranja, and Srijem is a significant part of the cultural heritage of the Republic of Croatia. The Lipizzaner breed has played a key role in Croatian history—particularly in the culture of the nobility, large landowners, and the military, as well as in everyday rural life. In 2022, the multinational tradition of Lipizzaner horse breeding was inscribed on UNESCO's Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity.

In 1972, Queen Elizabeth II of the United Kingdom, accompanied by her husband and royal entourage, visited the Đakovo Stud Farm. In 2016, the stud farm welcomed another royal guest—Camilla, Queen Consort.

For the past 11 years, the "Christmas Ball of the Lipizzaners" has been held each December at the Đakovo State Stud Farm. This stunning show, combining horses, riders, drivers, and performers in a musical and theatrical spectacle, leaves every visitor breathless. Each year, the performance tells a different Christmas-themed story, drawing visitors from all over Croatia and Europe.

Fotografija: Silvija Butković



Located near the town of Đakovo, Lake Jošava is a beloved destination for fishing enthusiasts and nature lovers alike. This artificial lake was built in 1963/64, originally intended for fish farming. Today, it is recognised as a prominent sport fishing centre. The lake is renowned for its rich fish stock, particularly carp and grass carp, and has been designated as a "catch and release" water for these species. This means that all fish caught must be returned to the lake, helping preserve the local fish population. This practice attracts anglers who value sport fishing and the conservation of aquatic life.

In 2000, Lake Jošava hosted the very first Croatian Carp Cup, the first competition of its kind in Croatia, which brought together 39 teams from Croatia and abroad. That event marked the beginning of organised carp fishing competitions in the country and laid the groundwork for the establishment of the Croatian Carp League in 2001.

Today, Lake Jošava regularly hosts numerous fishing competitions, including international carp cups, further cementing its reputation as one of the region's premier fishing destinations. In addition to fishing, visitors can enjoy the lake's tranquil surroundings and the natural beauty that defines the area.

Those planning to visit Lake Jošava are advised to check current fishing regulations and announce their visit to the authorised fish wardens to ensure a pleasant and regulation-compliant experience.

Lake Jošava is not just a place for passionate anglers, but also for anyone seeking a retreat into nature and relaxation by the water, making it an ideal holiday destination in the heart of Slavonia.

## LAKE BOROVIK – A HAVEN FOR ANGLING AND NATURAL BEAUTY IN SLAVONIA



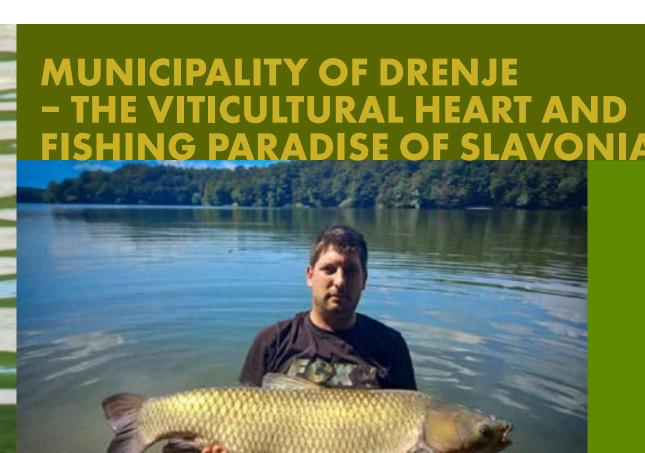
Located west of Đakovo, within the Municipality of Drenje, Lake Borovik is one of the most attractive fishing locations in Croatia. It was created in 1978 by damming the Vuka River, and takes its name from the former village of Borovik, which once stood where the lake now lies.

With a surface area of 160 hectares, a length of approximately 4 kilometres, and a depth of up to 15 metres, the lake offers ideal conditions for sport fishing. Borovik is especially renowned for its trophy carp specimens, weighing up to 30 kilograms, making it a top destination for carp anglers. In addition to carp, the lake is also home to grass carp, catfish, zander, pike, perch, tench, and other species.

Fishing at Lake Borovik requires a valid permit, and anglers are advised to announce their arrival to the responsible fish wardens in advance. Fishing is permitted only from designated fishing spots, in accordance with regulations and conservation measures aimed at protecting the fish population.

Beyond fishing, Lake Borovik offers visitors the chance to enjoy unspoiled nature, forest trails, and a peaceful environment, making it an ideal escape from the hustle and bustle of everyday life.

The distance between Lake Jošava and Lake Borovik is 27.3 km.

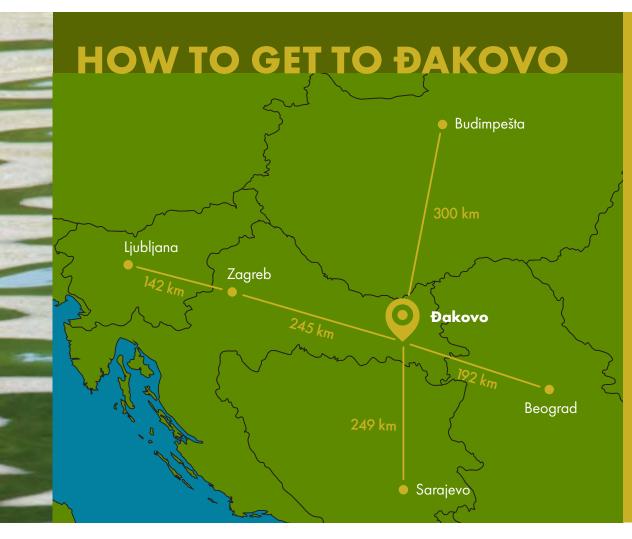


The Municipality of Drenje was first mentioned in 1406. In 1536, during the Ottoman conquests, the area fell under Turkish rule, which lasted until 1687, when it was liberated during the Great Turkish War. Throughout the 18th century and until the end of World War I, Drenje was part of Virovitica County. After 1918, it became part of the newly established State of Slovenes, Croats and Serbs, and soon after, the Kingdom of Yugoslavia. Following World War II, the area was incorporated into the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia.

Today, the Municipality of Drenje comprises 12 settlements and, according to the most recent census, has just over 2,000 inhabitants. The area is known for its fertile fields and rich forests, with agriculture and livestock farming being the main economic activities. In addition to traditional farming, the region is also developing viticulture and local food production. The village of Mandićevac, one of the municipality's settlements, is especially known for its vineyards and high-quality wines, produced on the slopes of Mount Krndija.



At the 24th World Carp and Grass Carp Fishing Championship, held for the first time in Croatia from 4 to 7 September 2024 in Našice, the Croatian national team claimed the gold medal. The competition took place at Lake Lapovac in Našice and Lake Šandor in the village of Lila, with 30 national teams participating, from four continents. In the final ranking, Croatia secured first place with 11 penalty points and a total catch weight of 443,550 grams. Moldova took second place, also with 11 penalty points but with a lower total catch weight (339,080 grams), while Belgium came in third with 13 penalty points and a total catch weight of 263,000 grams.



The Organising Committee, team registration, and captains' meetings will take place in Đakovo:



DVD-a Đakovo Hall Splitska ulica 21 Đakovo.





Distances from major airports/cities in the region:

Zagreb: 245 km

— Ljubljana: 387 km

— Budapest: 300 km

— Belgrade: 192 km

- Sarajevo: 249 km



#### Directions from the airports

### Franjo Tuđman International Airport Zagreb

Ul. Rudolfa Fizira 21, 10410, Velika Gorica

- 5 min (4.1 km)
- Continue on E70 to Đakovo. Take exit 5 from E73
- 2 hr 1 min (228 km)
- Take Ul. Ante Starčevića and Ul. Josipa Runjanina to Ul. Matije Gupca
- 7 min (4.5 km)

### Ljubljana Arpt

Zgornji Brnik 130a, 4210 Brnik - Aerodrom, Slovenia

- 5 min (4.5 km)
- Follow A2 and E70 to Đakovo, Hrvatska. Take exit 5 from E73
- 3 hr 38 min (398 km)
- Take Ul. Ante Starčevića and Ul. Josipa Runjanina to Ul. Matije Gupca
- 7 min (4.5 km)

### Budapest Ferenc Liszt International Airport

Budapest, 1185 Hungary

- 7 min (6.5 km)
- Continue on E71/Mo. Take E66 to Route 57 in Babarc. Exit from D Alagút
- 1 hr 48 min (205 km)
- Get on E73 in Petrijevci, Hrvatska from Route 56
- 49 min (61.9 km)
- Follow E73 to D7 in Đakovo. Take exit 5 from E73
- 38 min (33.4 km)
- Take Ul. Ante Starčevića and Ul. Josipa Runjanina to Ul. Matije Gupca
- 7 min (4.5 km)

#### Belgrade Nikola Tesla Airport

Aerodrom Beograd 59, Beograd 11180, Serbia

- Head northwest
- Pass by Aerodrom Nikola Tesla /dolasci/ (on the right)
- 3 min (1.8 km)
- Take E70 to D7 in Beravci, Hrvatska. Take exit 17-Velika Kopanica from E70
- 1 hr 34 min (156 km)
- Continue on D7. Take Šamačka ul., D7 and Ul. Petra Preradovića to Ul. Matije Gupca in Đakovo
- 19 min (20.0 km)

### **OFFICIAL PROGRAMME**

DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION			
Monday 15 September	9.00 - 18.00	Team registrations	OVD Đakovo Hall			
<b>Tuesday</b> 16 September	10.00	First captains' meeting and peg draw	1 DVD Đakovo Hall			
	18.00	Opening ceremony – in case of good weather	J. J. Strossmayer Square Đakovo			
		Opening ceremony – in case of rain/bad weather	Town Sports Hall Đakovo or event marquee			
er	8.00	Captains' meeting	DVD Đakovo Hall			
sday emb	10.30	First signal (free access to fishing spots)				
<b>Wednesday</b> 17 September	12.30	Second signal (start of competition)				
We 17.9	21.00	Interim ranking				
	9.00	Interim ranking				
ıber	15.00	Interim ranking				
<b>Thursday</b> 18 September	16.00	Captains' meeting	<b>0</b> DVD Đakovo Hall			
Thr 18	21.00	Interim ranking				
	9.00	Interim ranking				
ıber	15.00	Interim ranking				
<b>Friday</b> 19 September	16.00	Captains' meeting	<b>0</b> DVD Đakovo Hall			
	21.00	Interim ranking				
<b>Saturday</b> 20 September	9.00	Interim ranking				
	12.15	Third signal – 15 minutes before end				
	12.30	Fourth signal – end of competition				
	12.45	Fifth signal – end – fish playing time				
	19.00	Award ceremony and gala dinner	Town Sports Hall Đakovo or event marquee			

**1** DVD Đakovo Hall

**2** J. J. Strossmayer Square, Đakovo

**❸** Town Sports Hall Đakovo or event marquee

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-8C56+2Q ĐAKOVO // 45°18'27"N 18°24'42"E

-8C57+Q6 ĐAKOVO // 45°18'33"N 18°24'46"E

### **CHAMPIONSHIP LAKE AND SECTOR MAP**

### **BOROVIK**



# JOŠAVA



### GENERAL INFORMATION



Training is allowed on Lake Borovik and Lake Jošava until 9 September 2025. Advance notice is mandatory – at least 15 days in advance via e-mail: zsru.dakovo.natjecanja@gmail.com

Please include the following information in your email:

- Duration of training
- Full name and personal identification number for each training participant
   MANDATORY DISINFECTION OF FISHING EQUIPMENT WILL BE ORGANISED ON-SITE
   AT THE LAKES BEFORE TRAINING.



Permit types (per person / 3 rods):

— 7-day permit: € 150.00

— 3-day permit: € 75.00

— Daily permit: € 30.00





Payments for training should be made to the following account:

IBAN: HR1323400091111213565 (This account is for training fees only)

Payee: Union of Sport Fishing Associations Đakovo

(Zajednica športskih ribolovnih udruga Đakovo)

VAT ID: HR11711680327

Kneza Domagoja 1, 31 400 Đakovo

For all competition-related information and inquiries, please visit the official website: https://www.zsru-djakovo.hr



All accommodation-related information for participants and team members is available on the official website: <a href="https://www.visitdjakovo.com">https://www.visitdjakovo.com</a>

Kralja Tomislava 3, 31 400 Đakovo

Tel.: +385 (0)31 812 319, Tel.: +385 (0)31 811 233

MANDATORY DISINFECTION OF FISHING EQUIPMENT PRIOR TO THE COMPETITION WILL BE ORGANISED AT THE TEAM CAMPS.

### OFFICIAL COMPETITION RULEBOOK

To avoid any misunderstandings, we kindly ask all participants to review it carefully.

### **FEES**

REGISTRATION COSTS: F.I.P.S.e.d. Fee: € 200.00 Organisation Fee: € 1,550.00

Closing Ceremony Dinner (for accompanying persons): € 60.00



The registration fee includes: 11 x Closing Ceremony Dinner, 8 daily fishing permits (for the entire championship), insurance, all associated organisational costs, such as trophies and event materials.

All fees must be paid by bank transfer to the following account:

Bank: PRIVREDNA BANKA ZAGREB

IBAN: HR8223400091511305119

BIC: PBZGHR2X

Payee: Union of Sport Fishing Associations Đakovo

VAT ID: HR11711680327

Address: Kneza Domagoja 1, 31 400 Đakovo



<u>Fees for additional medals must be paid directly to F.I.P.S.e.d.</u> (Not to the Union of Sport Fishing Associations Dakovo.)

Under no circumstances will it be possible to request more additional medals than allowed by these rules.

Registration of national teams for the event will only be confirmed upon receipt of the bank transfer and the completed registration form. These documents must be submitted by 15 June 2025.



NOTE: Along with the completed registration forms, it is mandatory to attach photographs  $(3 \times 3.5 \text{ cm})$  of all 11 team members making up the national delegation.



All delegations are required to bring their national flag and anthem. The national anthem will be verified by the Organising Committee in the presence of a team member during registration at the beginning of the championship.

# ANTI-DOPING INFORMATION TUE REQUESTS

The athletes participating in the Championship, with the registration, implicitly accept all wada anti-doping rules. Athlete whose illness or condition requires treatment with a prohibited substance or method must apply to CIPS for a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) following the CIPS strict TUE application process.

He/she shall then use the application form, which can be downloaded from the ITA website.

The TUE request has to be sent to the following address: tue@ita.sport

Athletes must therefore consult the Prohibited List

If the TUE is granted, the athlete will then be permitted to use the medication during the period of validity of the TUE without committing an Anti-Doping Rules Violation (ADRV).

Regardless of whether a TUE has been granted or not, athletes should always declare on the doping control forms filled out during sample collection any medications and supplements taken within the seven days prior to sample collection, and any blood transfusions in the three months prior for blood samples.

If a TUE has already been granted by a NADO or by a RADO, the Athlete in question does not have to apply for any additional CIPS TUE, as CIPS recognizes all TUE granted by NADO and RADOS.

# FIPSED OFFICIAL RULES – 25<sup>TH</sup> WORLD CARP FISHING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

### **REGISTER ON-LINE**

Start this year the registration of the teams taking part in FIPSed championships will make only use of the online registration tool.

On the FIPSed website you can find the instructions how to register. Each Federation has its own password to be able to access the archive of its members.

With the credentials and password, it will be possible to register owns athletes in any FIPSed championship.

## **REGISTRATION FORM**

FEDERATION	
NATION	
ADDRESS	
CONTACT NUMBER	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
PHONE NUMBER	

DATE	
SIGNATURE	

Please return this registration file to email: zsru.dakovo.natjecanja@gmail.com and make payment before July 15, 2025.

### **DELEGATION**

FEDERATION						
NATION						
(Please write in capital letters)						
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DATE		zsru.dakovo.natjecanja@gmail.com and make payment before July 15, 2025.				
SIGNATURE						

# **EXTRA, PRESS & COMPANIONS**

FEDERATION						
NATION						
(Please write in capital letters)						
FIRST NAME		LAST NAME		Closing Buffet: 60,00 €		
			TOTAL			
Please return this registration file to email:						
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SIGNATURE		and make payment before July 15, 2025.				