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MEMO

To: All ANSA Branches
Date : 29 June 2012
Subject: ANSA Rule Books and New Rule Changes

Dear ANSA Colleague,

Attached is the latest version of the ANSA Rule Book which will come into effect on 1 July 2012.

A number of changes have been made to the Rule Book and these changes are highlighted in red.

The principal changes include -

- Changes to the names of some species listed on the eligible species list - for example “Sweetlips” have now been categorised as “Blubber Lips” and “Red Emperor” have been separately listed from “Emperor”.
- Changes to the fighting factor of the following species –
Carp, Morwong, Gummy Shark, School Shark, Tench – from 0.8 to 1.
Sweep – from 1 to 1.5.
- Increase in trophy length of Wolf Herring - from 45 cm to 60 cm.
- Clarification of the criteria for Length Only measurement including new example diagrams.
- Encouragement to now provide data on caudal/ fin fork lengths for scientific purposes
- Inclusion of 1Kg and 2 Kg line in Division 5 “Hand Lining”.
- Clarification of the ruling that a record can be claimed in one division only and that juniors can elect to claim for either a senior or junior national record - but not both.
- Inclusion of the requirement to hold a current state fishing licence where this is required by state law.
- Clarification of the rules for Division 4 Game Fishing including revised example diagrams of lines, leaders, hooks and gaffs.
- Clarification of ruling that captures submitted for Line Class/ Weight National records cannot be submitted for Length Only National records and vice versa.
- Clarification of ruling that captures submitted for Line Class/ Weight Masters cannot be accepted for All Tackle Length Based Masters and vice versa.
- Introduction of a new All Tackle “Length Based” Species Masters Award.

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New Rule Books are currently being printed and should be available for distribution to State Branches over the coming fortnight.

Pending delivery of the new Rule Books it is imperative that all ANSA members be made aware of the latest changes before commencement of the new competition year on 1 July 2012. It is regretted that the details of the rule book changes could not be released before today.

All branches are requested to distribute this memo to their club and member network as a priority. If the file attachment is too large, a copy of the marked up version of the Rule Book is available on the National website www.ansa.com.au and members can be directed to use this site if it is easier.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Burgess', with a stylized, cursive script.

John Burgess
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