

EFSA ENGLAND SHORE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026

Administrative Instructions

1. Event Overview

The **EFSA England Shore Championships 2026** will be held on:

- **Saturday 26th September 2026**
- **Sunday 27th September 2026**

Venue: Hurst Shingle Bank

This national shore angling event will be conducted over two days, with one match per day.

2. Organising Authority

The event is organised by **EFSA England (English Federation of Sea Anglers)** under official competition rules, supported by appointed event officials and stewards.

3. Venue Information

- **Location:** Hurst Shingle Bank
 - **Terrain:** Shingle bank with varying slopes and casting conditions
 - **Access:** Competitors must use designated access points (details to be confirmed)
 - **Conditions:** Exposed coastal venue; anglers should prepare for changing weather and sea states
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4. Match Format

- **Duration:** 6-hour matches (each day)

Fishing Times:

- **Day 1 (Saturday 26th Sept):** 10:00 – 16:00
- **Day 2 (Sunday 27th Sept):** 10:00 – 16:00
- Whistle signals will indicate:

- Start of fishing
 - Last cast
 - End of match
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5. Eligibility & Entry

- Open to all current EFSA England members and members of affiliated clubs. Note only EFSA members can win pins.
- Valid membership must be held prior to competition
- Entry must be submitted before the closing date (1st Aug 26)

Entry Fee: £60 in total (bait packs)

6. Registration & Briefing

- Competitors must register prior to the first match
- Registration details (time and location) will be communicated in advance

At registration, anglers will receive:

- Peg allocation (if applicable)
 - Scorecard(s)
 - Event briefing and local rules
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7. Fishing Rules

All competitors must comply with EFSA England competition rules:

- Permitted tackle and methods only. (**This is a three-hook event**).
 - Rod limits as per EFSA rules
 - Fish must be measured and recorded accurately
 - Minimum landing sizes apply (18cm)
 - All undersized fish must be returned immediately
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8. Scoring

- EFSA standard scoring system applies
 - Points awarded based on species and size
 - Scorecards must be:
 - Completed clearly
 - Submitted promptly at the end of each session
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9. Stewarding & Control

- Official stewards will be present throughout the event (This will be **C**ommittee Members). All for disputes.
 - Competitors must:
 - Allow catch inspection if requested
 - Follow steward instructions at all times
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10. Safety

- Competitors fish entirely at their own risk
 - Awareness of tides and weather conditions is essential
 - Suitable clothing and footwear must be worn
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11. Accommodation

Competitors are advised to book accommodation early. Recommended options include:

- Cliff House, Barton on Sea
- Hurst View Leisure
- Premier Inn, Hurdle

All bookings are the responsibility of the individual competitor.

12. Conduct

- Respect fellow anglers, officials, and the environment

- No littering – all waste must be removed
 - Unsportsmanlike conduct may result in disqualification
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13. Results & Presentation

- Final results will be compiled after Day 2

Presentation Ceremony:

- **Venue:** The Gun Inn, Hurst
- **Time:** 18:00 (Sunday 27th September 2026)

Food is available at the venue and must be booked individually by competitors.

14. Protests

- Any protest must be submitted within the designated time after each session
 - **Any** protest will be addressed by the **Protest Committee**.
 - Decisions by the **Protest Committee** are final
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15. Liability

EFSA England and event organisers accept no responsibility for:

- Injury to competitors

All participants attend and compete at their own risk.

16. Final Notes

All competitors are expected to familiarise themselves with EFSA England rules and these administrative instructions. Compliance ensures a fair, safe, and enjoyable event for all participants.

Issued by:

EFSA England Championship Committee