

## **Muskie Inc. Members Only Fishing Contest Rules and Regulations**

1. Muskie must be caught on legal sport fishing tackle (hook & line) in the United States or Canada in strict compliance with all local, state, or provincial laws. Release division: 30 inch minimum. Kept division: That length set by the governing agency of that body of water.
2. Muskie must be hooked and played by only one person, and only that person may enter the Muskie in the contest. Assistance in landing is permitted.
3. Entrant must be a member in good standing of Muskies Inc. prior to catching the Muskie.
4. All entries must be mailed to their chapter contest chairperson and postmarked within 30 days of the date of catch. Members may enter their own catches directly on the Web Site. All entries for Nov. and Dec. must be received by the international chairman by Jan. 10. Unaffiliated members should mail their entries to the international chairman within 30 days of the date of catch.
5. Release Division: 30-inch minimum for all bodies of water. A release patch and/or an individual certificate will be awarded for each Muskie 30 inches or longer that is released. Please indicate your desire to receive these on the front of the entry form.
- 5A. The longest Muskie released in the men's division, women's division, and the junior division will receive a free replica of their Muskie courtesy of Fittante Replicas of Antigo, WI. (Total of 3 per year) This is the longest by total inches including fraction of inches. At least one verifiable witness and at least one verifiable side view horizontal photograph of the Muskie is required.
6. The international contest committee will review all entries for validity and their decisions will be final. At its discretion the committee may require additional documentation consisting of a photograph and/or a 2nd witness before an entry is accepted.

### **International Awards.**

1. Men's Masters - 10 Awards. Any male member who has recorded 250 or more releases in the Lunge Log.
2. Women's Masters - 2 Awards. Any female member who has recorded 100 or more releases in the Lunge Log.
3. Men's - 10 Awards. Any male member 18 years of age or older with less than 250 releases.
4. Women's - 10 Awards. Any female member 18 years of age or older with less than 100 releases.
5. Juniors - 10 Awards. Any male or female member 17 years of age or less on January 1 of a calendar year.
6. Lunker Of The Month - Longest release by any member of Muskies, Inc. All ties qualify.

Men with less than 250 and Women less than 100 on January 1 of a calendar year will remain in that division for the year.

**Release Points** are based on 4 points for each release and 1 point for each inch over 30 inches. Any measurement of 1/2 inch or longer will be rounded up. Any fraction of less than 1/2 inch will be dropped. Directions to enter fish on the website are as follows:

Go to [www.muskiesinc.org](http://www.muskiesinc.org)

Click on the "Members Only" tab

Enter your ID and password (If it is your first time, enter your 5-digit member number)

Click on "Lunge Log Inquiries" on the left side

Click on "Fish Submission" on the right side

Enter the information on the fish submission form

Don't forget to click on "Submit" at the bottom

This will register your fish and points automatically and I will retrieve them from the site.

Please call me at 218-391-2699 or email me at [muskie2031@mchsi.com](mailto:muskie2031@mchsi.com) if you have any questions. Thanks Woody

**Lake Superior Chapter of Muskies Inc.**  
**Prize for largest Muskie of the year**  
**(2016) “Replica Award”**

The largest Muskie caught and released by any member will receive a free graphite Muskie mount from Artistic Anglers, courtesy of Artistic Angler Taxidermy Studio & Lake Superior Chapter Muskies Inc.

The rules are as follows:

1. The Muskie must be a minimum of **52 inches** in length.
2. **Photographed and the photo sent to the contest chairperson within 30 days of the catch via mail or email.** Photos will not be returned. Photos can be digital or via a smartphone, however, digital is preferred.
3. Muskie registrations without pictures will not be eligible for the award.
4. All entries must be recorded on a Muskie Inc. Fishing Contest Entry blank or entered online at [www.muskiesinc.org](http://www.muskiesinc.org). Entry blanks are found at the Muskies Inc. website or are available from your Fishing Contest chairperson. Entry blanks may be copied for recording additional Muskies caught.
5. Fishing Contest Entry blanks (paper or online) must be:
  - A. **FILLED OUT COMPLETELY** on the front page or online to be eligible for points or awards. This includes the name of the body of water and bait used. **THIS REGULATION WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED TO COMPLY WITH THE PURPOSES OF MUSKIES, INC.**
  - B. **Witnessed by at least one person and must have the phone number and signature of that witness.**
  - C. Entered online or received (via mail) by the Lake Superior Chapter Contest Chairperson within 30 days of the date of the catch.
6. **You may only win this once in your lifetime.**
7. **If the winner turns down the replica prize, it will go the next member with the largest fish. The original qualifier will be eligible again after 3 years.**
8. You must be a member of the Lake Superior Chapter #33 in good standing for 45 days prior before entering. If the membership is a renewal, it must be completed prior to the expiration date. If a transfer from another chapter, the 45 day waiting period applies from the date of transfer.
9. **Winner must attend at least 2 monthly meetings or 1 outing and 1 meeting Banquet qualifies for 2 meetings. If a junior wins parent or guardian must attend the meetings. (New for 2016)**
10. In case of a tie, the winner will be decided by their 2<sup>nd</sup> largest fish of the year. In case of a 2<sup>nd</sup> tie, the winner will be decided by a coin flip.
  - A. Contest review committee will consist of at least 3 members to include the Lake Superior Chapter Contest Chairperson and at least 2 other members (one of which will be a non-board member). The committee will be established to review all disputes or questions on entered Muskies. They will arbitrate any dispute and their decisions shall be accepted as final.

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**2016 Rules for the Lunker of the Month**

Lunker of the Month Awards is for the largest released Muskie for each month. The angler releasing the largest Muskie in that month will receive a Lunker of the Month Award.

The rules are as follows:

1. The Muskie must be 40 inches or longer for Adults and 30 inches for junior members (1 award overall per month, not a separate award for adults and juniors).
2. **Photographed and the photo sent to the contest chairperson within 30 days of the catch via mail or email. Photos will not be returned. Photos can be digital or via a smartphone, however, digital is preferred.**
3. **Muskie registrations without photos will not be eligible for lunker awards**
4. All entries must be recorded on a Muskie Inc. Fishing Contest Entry blank or entered online at [www.muskiesinc.org](http://www.muskiesinc.org). Entry blanks are found at the Muskies Inc. website or are available from your Fishing Contest chairperson. Entry blanks may be copied for recording additional Muskies caught.
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  - B. Entered online or received (via mail) by the Lake Superior Chapter Contest Chairperson within 30 days of the date of the catch.
6. In case of a tie, the winner for the month will be decided by their next biggest fish caught during that month. In case of a 2<sup>nd</sup> tie, winner will be decided on a coin flip.
7. **You must be a member of the Lake Superior Chapter #33 in good standing for 45 days prior before entering. If the membership is a renewal, it must be completed prior to the expiration date. If a transfer from another chapter, the 45 day waiting period applies from the date of transfer.**

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