

**South-Africa
Light Tackle Boat Angling Association**



2nd World Championship

Mossel Bay

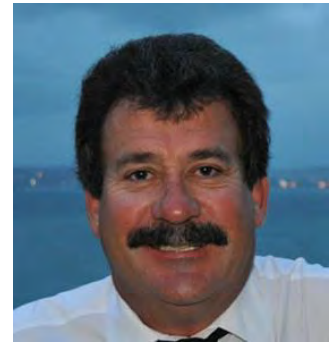
FIPS-M

20 April – 27 April 2024





Message from the President of SALTBAA



Len Jacobs

Dear Participants and Guests,

It is with Great Pride that SALTBAA cordially invite you to the 2nd FIPS-m World Light Tackle Boat Angling International Championships in Mossel Bay, South Africa.

This follows on the highly successful 1st World Championships in 2023.

The 4kg line category test angler's abilities to the limits with catches ranging from 1kg up to 100kg.

The typical species that could be targeted is cob, rays, sharks, and an abundance of smaller fish species. At the 1st World Championships, the heaviest fish, a Dusky Grey Shark of 19.23kg was caught by Michael Ballester from Gibraltar.

Over the two days a total number of 352 fish were caught with a total mass of 1 429,43kg with an average weight of 4,06kg/fish.

According to legend (it must be said that this was confirmed by the skipper), Charlie Carreras from Gibraltar caught a Female Smooth Hammerhead Shark of 1.2 – 1.3m with an approximate weight of 23.45 – 30.02kg. While in the process of congratulations and high fives, the shark made an elegant escape by jumping over the side before it was measured and recorded. Needless to say, later the evening this fish grew to about 2.5m.

A Team will consist of two anglers which forms a pair. A pair will compete from the same boat. The pair can decide where they want to catch in the angling area and they can change positions as many times they want during the day.

The pairs will be angling from a different boat every day.

The competition will be based on pairs. Each country can send three pairs where the best two pairs score for each day is used to determine the team result for the day. Mixed pairs will also be allowed.

April is a pleasant autumn month in Mossel Bay with moderately humid but cool with temperature in the range of an average low of 17°C (62.6°F) and an average high of 21°C (69.8°F). The average sea temperature is 18.1°C (64.6°F).

The town of Mossel Bay is a typical coastal village with lots of South African history, good restaurants, and many tourist attractions.

We are sure that you will enjoy your stay in South Africa and especially Mossel Bay and our members is looking forward to host you in our beautiful country.

Len Jacobs
SALTBAA
President

Local Organising Committee

Chairman



Len Jacobs

Treasurer



Gert Hattingh

Vice Admin



Ronnie Groenewald

**Marketing and
Communication**



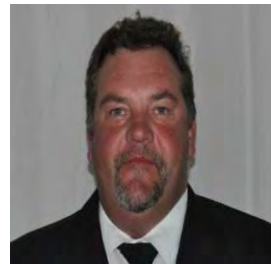
Wendy Strydom

Weighmaster



Lizet Strydom

**Local Tournament
Co-Ordinator**



Freddie van Rensburg

Bait Co-Ordinator



Gerrie Barnard

Tournament Doctor



Sanet Prinsloo

Officials & Marshals



Kobus Strydom

Secretary



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Program and Timetable of Events

Saturday 20 April 2024 - Arrive in Mossel Bay
Dinner

Sunday 21 April 2024 - Registration and Boat Draw

11H00-13H00 Team Registration - De Bakke
Lunch
13H00 Captains meeting and Boat draw - All team Captains
15H00 March with National Flags- Formal dress / National formal wear
18H00 Official Opening - Formal dress / National formal wear
Dinner

Monday 22 April 2024 - Practice Day Official

05H00-06H00 Breakfast
05H30-07H00 Anglers collect bait at Harbour. Board Boats and Depart from Harbour – Mossel Bay Yacht Club
Lunch or Lunchpacket
15H00 Lines Up
16H00 Boats back in Harbour
18H00 Gathering and results of Practice Day
19H00 Dinner – Angling wear / Smart Casual

Tuesday 23 April 2024 - Competition Day 1

05H00-06H00 Breakfast
05H30-07H00 Anglers collect bait at Harbour. Board Boats and Depart from Harbour – Mossel Bay Yacht Club
Lunch or Lunchpacket
15H00 Lines Up
16H00 Boats back in Harbour
18H30 Gathering and Results of Day 1
19H00 Dinner – Angling wear / Smart Casual

Wednesday 24 April 2024 - Competition Day 2

05H00-06H00 Breakfast
05H30-07H00 Anglers collect bait at Harbour. Board Boats and Depart from Harbour – Mossel Bay Yacht Club
Lunch or Lunchpacket
15H00 Lines Up
16H00 Boats back in Harbour
18H30 Gathering and Results of Day 2
19H00 Dinner – Angling wear / Smart Casual

Thursday 25 April 2024 - Competition Day 3

05H00-06H00 Breakfast
05H30-07H00 Anglers collect bait at Harbour. Board Boats and Depart from Harbour – Mossel Bay Yacht Club
Lunch or Lunchpacket
15H00 Lines Up
16H00 Boats back in Harbour
18H30 Gathering and Results of Day 3
19H00 Dinner – Angling wear / Smart Casual

Friday 26 April 2024 - Reserve Day & Gala Dinner

Day Tour will be arranged to explore Mossel Bay bookings essential.
19H00 for 19H30 Awards Ceremony and dinner- Formal dress/National formal wear

Saturday 27 April 2024 -Breakfast & Departure

Anglers collect boat packs at the launch site prior to boarding 05H30-06H30
The times and program are subject to alteration at the discretion of the Organizing Committee

Self -Catering Chalets – De Bakke

De Bakke will be used as the event headquarters

De Bakke Santos Beach Chalets

Situated on Mossel Bay's spectacular coastal beachfront, De Bakke self-catering chalets affords travelers an authentic Garden Route experience.

With 46 cozy self-catering, fully equipped chalets, this holiday resort attracts both local and international tourists, from corporate travelers and honeymooners to families and small groups. Thrilling water sports, sunbathing, and swimming are the hype of entertainment. The resort is conveniently located within close range of Mossel Bay CBD, Garden Route Casino, and Mossel Bay Golf Course.



Main Hotel in Mossel Bay

Tsogo Sun Garden Route Hotel

Conveniently located in Mossel Bay on the Garden Route between Gqeberha and Cape Town, adjacent to the Garden Route Casino and Pinnacle Point Beach and Golf Resort, the Garden Route Hotel offers visitors the perfect opportunity to explore one of South Africa's most beautiful coastal regions.

The Garden Route Hotel's 43 en suite rooms and suites are tastefully furnished and offer air-conditioning, unlimited free WiFi, television with a selection of DSTV channels and more. Take a refreshing dip in the hotel's outdoor pool or relax in the La Vita Spa at Pinnacle Point, and enjoy the varied entertainment on offer at the adjacent Garden Route Casino.



Your room rate includes a hearty and delicious breakfast, and you'll be spoilt for choice with the option of family-friendly dining at Billy G's buffet restaurant, or all-day a la carte drinks, dining, and entertainment at The Bravo Lounge. Our facilities for business guests include a self-service workstation, giving you the ability to stay connected and productive while travelling.



Our friendly staff at The Garden Route Hotel in Mossel Bay are available to take your call, should you have any queries or require assistance.

Other Hotels in Mossel Bay

DIAZ HOTEL

The Diaz Hotel & Resort welcomes you to the pristine seashore of Mossel Bay's renowned Diaz Beach, offering you a thrilling and entertaining holiday experience right in the heart of the picturesque and famous Garden Route. The Diaz Hotel is located only 10m from the high-water mark and offers spectacular ocean views from every window and balcony. The Diaz Hotel was named in honour of the famed Portuguese navigator, Bartolomeu Dias, who landed in Mossel Bay in 1488. Themed on the long and vivid history of the area, the Diaz Hotel offers guests a comfortable stay with FREE Wi-Fi and considerate service throughout your stay.



The Diaz Hotel & Resorts offers 86 superior sea-facing rooms, each with a private balcony from where you can enjoy our breathtaking views. We currently have 1 wheelchair-friendly room available. Rooms are key card operated, non-smoking and are cleaned daily. Please note that not all rooms are equipped with air-conditioning. Wake-up calls can be arranged with reception. Each room has its own private sea-facing balcony with deck chairs
www.diazbeach.co.za



The Diaz Hotel and Resort offers a wealth of culinary choices for the epicurean guest. From scrumptious dinners and cocktails to informal café-style lunches and cooldrinks, you'll find a menu to suit every member of the family at the Diaz Hotel.

With both hotel and beach-side access, The Art Café is a family-friendly restaurant offering a fabulous selection from an Ala Carte menu. Treat your culinary senses while enjoying the superb views of the outdoor pool, the palm trees, and the beach.

Enjoy the spectacular views of magnificent panoramas of both the Indian Ocean and the Outeniqua Mountains while you indulge in a tasteful meal from our breakfast buffet in the intimate setting of the Bahia dos Vaqueiros Restaurant.



Other Hotels in Mossel Bay

PROTEA HOTEL

Built in 1846, the Protea Hotel Mossel Bay on the Garden Route enjoys harbour views and an ideal setting as part of the Dias Museum Complex. Guests can also walk to sunny north facing beaches and enjoy great amenities in the area for shopping and leisure.

This Mossel Bay hotel is fully air-conditioned with luxury rooms, wireless internet, conference facilities and parking. Guests can stroll to the fascinating museum buildings which house the Maritime, Local History and Shell Museum as well as the Old Post Office Tree.

This stylish landmark comprises of a breakfast patio with sea views, the sea and mountain facing Café Gannet Seafood Restaurant and the Blue Oyster Cocktail Bar adjacent to the pool deck. The restaurant offers many popular seafood delights and an inviting a la carte menu daily.



Other Hotels in Mossel Bay

POINT VILLAGE HOTEL

Overlooking the ocean, this eclectic, colourful hotel is a 6-minute walk from Cape St. Blaize Lighthouse and 3.8 km from the Bartolomeu Dias museum complex.

Warm, uniquely decorated rooms with kitchenettes come with free Wi-Fi and flat-screen TVs; most have balconies. En-suite bathrooms offer showers or baths. Suites provide 2 bedrooms, lounges with sofa beds, and balconies with BBQs. There are also 3-bedroom apartments; some offering beach views and/or soaking tubs.

Breakfast is available for a fixed fee at a neighboring beachfront restaurant. Staff can arrange airport shuttles and organize tours by request.



Other Hotels Continued-



THE POINT HOTEL

This 4-star Mossel Bay accommodation on Garden Route is paraplegic friendly and has a lift to all floors.

Exhilarating views of the Indian Ocean can be enjoyed from the balconies of all 52 sea-facing rooms at this **Mossel Bay accommodation on Garden Route**. Each en-suite room has internet access and is well appointed.

Guests at this Mossel Bay accommodation on Garden Route can arrange an **in-suite massage** from a variety of options such as aromatherapy, hot stone therapy and reflexology for the ultimate in private relaxation.

Room facilities at The Point Hotel:

- Direct dial telephone
- International plug points
- TV with DSTV (satellite)
- Remote controlled ceiling fan
- Panel heaters
- Lock-up safe
- Internet access



General Information

- **ORGANISATION**

The Organiser of the Championships SALTBAA PO Box 49, Colchester, 6175

Contact Person: Len Jacobs President SALTBAA: +2782 906 1806

Email: secretary@saltbaa.co.za

Website: <http://www.saltbaa.co.za>

- **ARRIVAL IN MOSSEL BAY**

Participants should arrive in Mossel Bay preferably on 20 April 2024.

From OR Tambo International airport, Johannesburg, there is a one hour and fifty-five-minute (1h55) domestic flight to George and then a thirty-minute (30min) drive by shuttle to Mossel Bay.

Cars can be hired at the airport from Europcar.

<https://www.europcar.com/location/south-africa/george>

Phone: [+27 \(44\) 8769017](tel:+27448769017)



Travelling by Car to Mossel Bay will be a fourteen-hour (14) drive and not recommended.

- **INSURANCE**

The Organiser undertakes to insure ALL the participants in the Championship against accidents and death, with the relevant state insurance agency, at its own expense.

- **TRANSFERS**

The Organiser will be responsible for transport to and from the Launch site daily from 23 to 26 April 2024.

- **MEDICAL CERTIFICATES**

When the National Federation signs and stamps the registration of a team its representative assumes that all its athletes who entered in the competition have their sports medical certificates valid.

- **ANTI-DOPING CONTROL**

The Organisers would like to remind all the participants/competitors that the participation in the Championship implicitly includes the acceptance of ALL the sports anti-doping rules of WADA.

- **NATIONAL FLAG AND ANTHEM**

National organisations are responsible for supplying the organizer with at least one (preferably two) flags of their country of the prescribed size, as well as a CD with their national anthem.

- **MEDALS AND OTHER RECOGNITIONS**

The winners will be given medals – Gold, Silver, and Bronze – by FIPS-M as well as commemorative gifts from SALTBAA.

- **CURRENCY**

The Currency in use is ZAR (South African Rands)

- **FISHING SHOPS**

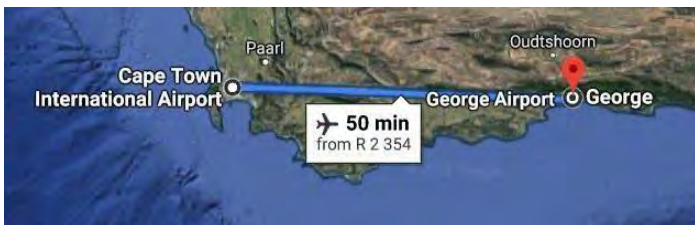
- TACKLE SHACK anthony.tackleshack@gmail.com +27 (44) 690 6801 / 7726
- GO FISH gofishmbay@gmail.com +27 (44) 690 3577



TRAVEL MAPS



Flight from OR Tambo to George
Airport 2 hours



Flight from Cape Town
International to George 50 min

Travel from George to Mossel Bay



Daily Route to Mossel Bay Harbour



Europcar George Airport



PARTICIPATION

The participation fee covers:

	Full Board			Half Board		
	Angler	Team Manager	Guests	Angler	Team Manager	Guests
Hotel Accommodation	x	x	x	x	x	x
Opening Ceremony & Gala dinner	x	x	x	x	x	x
Breakfast	x	x	x	x	x	x
Transfers to Launch site	x	x		x	x	
Boat Pack/ Lunch	x	x	x			
Dinner	x	x	x	x	x	x
Boats for Official Training and Competition	x			x		
Bait for Official Training and Competition	x			x		

Beginning from Dinner 20 April 2024 to Breakfast 27 April 2024

Competition Costs

Cost per person Full Board: Includes Tournament Fee; Bed and Breakfast at the Hotel; transport from George airport to Hotel, transport from Hotel to the launch site and back; Boat Pack/Lunch; Dinner every evening; Opening function and Banquet.

Cost per person Half Board Same as full Board but excludes Lunch/ Boat pack.

PARTICIPATION FEE PER TEAM AND PER COMPETITOR		
THE COST PER COMPETITOR INCLUDES	Stay at De Bakke during the whole organization Breakfast, dinner, lunch package or lunch at midday Costs of the opening ceremony Costs of the closing ceremony (banquet) Costs of the boats and the baits Costs of transfers between the official place of stay, the angling areas; and opening / closing ceremony FIPS-M starting fees CIPS organising fees Insurance fees	
TOTAL COSTS PER TEAM 6 Team members (3 Pairs)		
€7 200,00		
TOTAL COSTS PER PAIR		
€2 400,00		
TOTAL COSTS PER COMPANION	with full board	€750,00
	with 1/2 same as full board without Lunch	€680,00
COSTS PER TEAM HALF BOARD 6 Team members (3 Pairs) (without, lunch packet,)		
€6600,00		
COSTS PER PAIR (without lunch packet)		
€1100,00		
COSTS OF THE LUNCH PACKET		
€10,00		
COSTS OF THE FINAL BANQUET		
€50,00		

OTHER ELEMENTS OF COSTS AND INFORMATION		
PRACTICE	RENTING COSTS OF THE BOAT FOR PRACTICE PER DAY	€250,00
EXTRAS	COSTS FOR THE BAIT PER BOAT PER DAY	€50,00
INFORMATION ABOUT THE RESTAURANT COSTS	MEALS	€ 7,00 to €20,00
	DRINKS	€1,00 to €3,00
	DRINKS DURING THE MEAL	Not included

Teams: A team may consist of Male and Female anglers and will be referred to as a mixed team.

Enquiries can be sent to secretary@saltbaa.co.za

Special Note: The total amount in Euros must be transferred to the following bank account by 30 November 2023 to qualify for a 20% discount on the full board entry fees.

Payments made after this date will be at full price as stated above.

<p>Banking Details: SALTBAA First National Bank of South Africa Account number: 62298925995 Branch Code: 270444 FNB SWIFT CODE: FIRNZAJJ</p>

Competition Entry



2nd INTERNATIONAL LIGHT TACKLE BOAT ANGLING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS MOSSEL BAY – SOUTH AFRICA 2024



Provisional entry form

Nation:

Federation:

Address:

Contact person:

Name:

E-mail:

Tel:

Total athletes

Total captains, staff and accompanying persons

Official accommodation:

YES

NO

Preferences for accommodation type and type of room/apartment & Dietary requirements:

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Team Type:

All Male

All Female

Mixed

Please complete this provisional registration form by no later than 30/10/2023, and send to:

secretary@saltbaa.co.za

Signature

Date



**2nd INTERNATIONAL LIGHT TACKLE
BOAT ANGLING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS**



MOSSEL BAY – SOUTH AFRICA 2024

SENIORS

Final Registration Form Part 1

Country

Federation

Team:

Responsible to contact

Name

E-mail:

Tel:

Competitors

	Name	Gender(M/F)	First name
1-			
2-			
3-			
4-			
5-			
6-			

Reserves

	Name	Gender(M/F)	First name
1-			
2-			
3-			

Captain/Team Manager; Coach

	Name	Gender(M/F)	First name
1-			
2-			

Companions

	Name	Gender(M/F)	First name
1-			
2-			
3-			
4-			
5-			
6-			

Teams : A team may consist of Male and Female anglers and will be referred to as a mixed team.

Competition Entry



2nd INTERNATIONAL LIGHT TACKLE BOAT ANGLING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

MOSSEL BAY – SOUTH AFRICA 2024

SENIORS

Final entry form Part 2

Arrival

flight no.

Departure

flight no.

Transfer: YES

NO

Costs with official accommodation: Full Board

		<i>Number</i>	<i>Total</i>
Competitor (Pair)	€ 2400		€
Companion	€ 750		€
Official / Captain	€ 750		€
		TOTAL	€

Costs without Lunch/Boat pack: Half Board

		<i>Number</i>	<i>Total</i>
Competitor (Pair)	€ 2200		€
Companion	€ 680		€
Official / Captain	€ 680		€
		TOTAL	€

Date ____/____/2023

Stamp and signature

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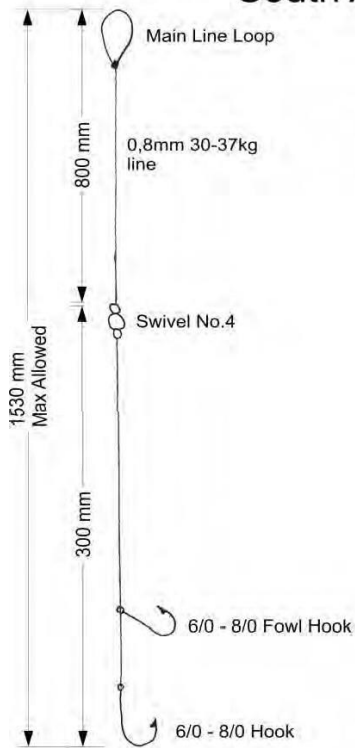
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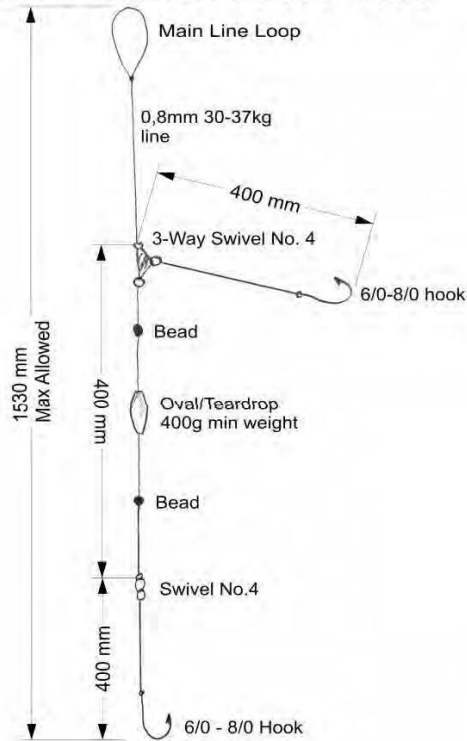
Points System, Gear, Technique

All fish must be measured and released. Points will be allocated for each day's catch calculated on the FIPS-M Official system. Line is restricted to 4kg line which will be provided to each Participant prior the start of the competition.

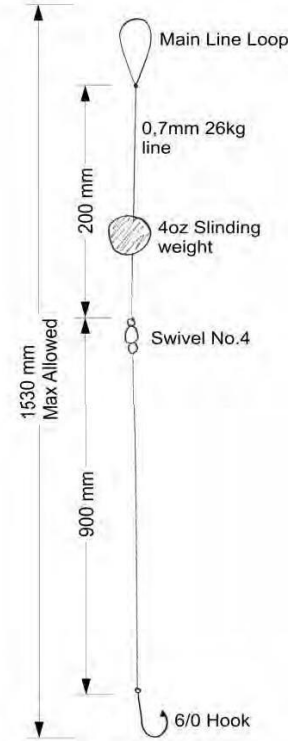
South Africa Local Common traces used



Shark Trace



Flat fish Trace



All other types of bottom fish Trace

Fish & Baits

Bait will be supplied by the Organising Committee to each Participant.

7kg Pilchards, 10 Mackerel, 1kg Chokka (Squid)

(Subject to availability)

MEASURING OF FISH

1) Precaudal Length (PCL)

It is the length to be used for most sharks

2) Fork Length (FL)

It is to be measured for swallow tail bony fishes

3) Total Length (TL)

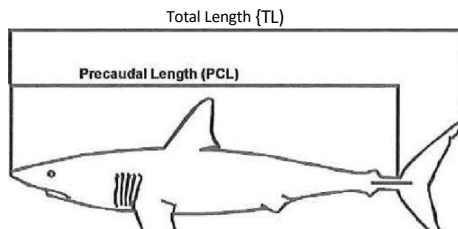
It is to be measured for bony fish with truncated tail.

4) Disk Width

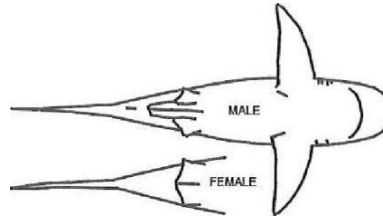
It is to be measured for skates and rays across the wingspan

5) Please note that Total length (TL) is used for the measurements of Lesser Sand shark and Giant Sand shark

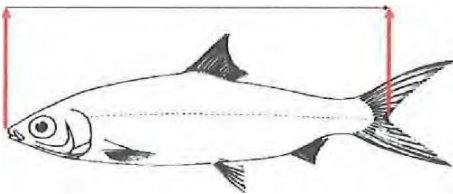
MEASURING SHARKS



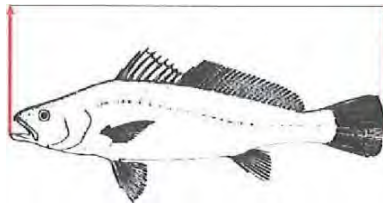
Determine the sex of the shark



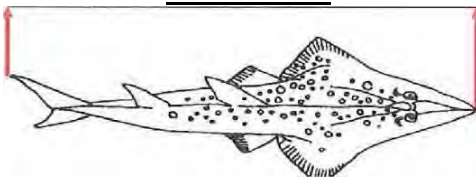
Fork Length (FL)



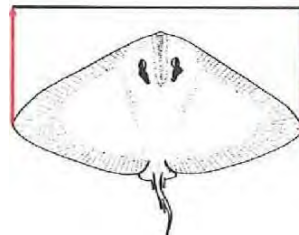
Total Length (TL)



Lesser Sand shark and Giant Sand shark



Disk Width (DW)



MOST COMMON FISHES

CAT SHARK LEOPARD
TL MIN MM 560



DUSKY SHARK
PCL MIN MM 420

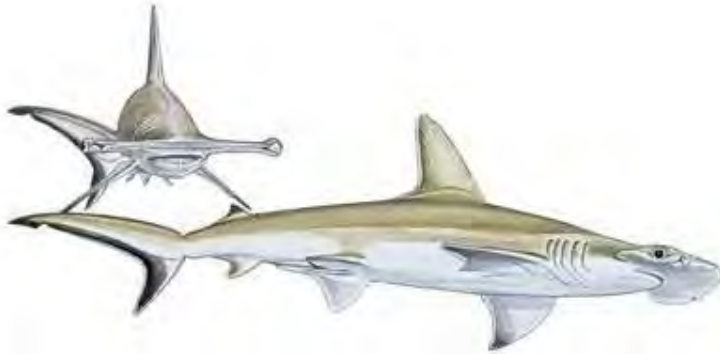


CAT SHARK STRIPED
TL MIN MM 560



SMOOTH HAMMERHEAD

PCL MIN MM 440



COPPER BRONZE SHARK

PCL MIN MM 450



LESSER GUITARFISH

TL MIN MM 660



COW SHARK SEVEN GILL
PCL MIN MM 470



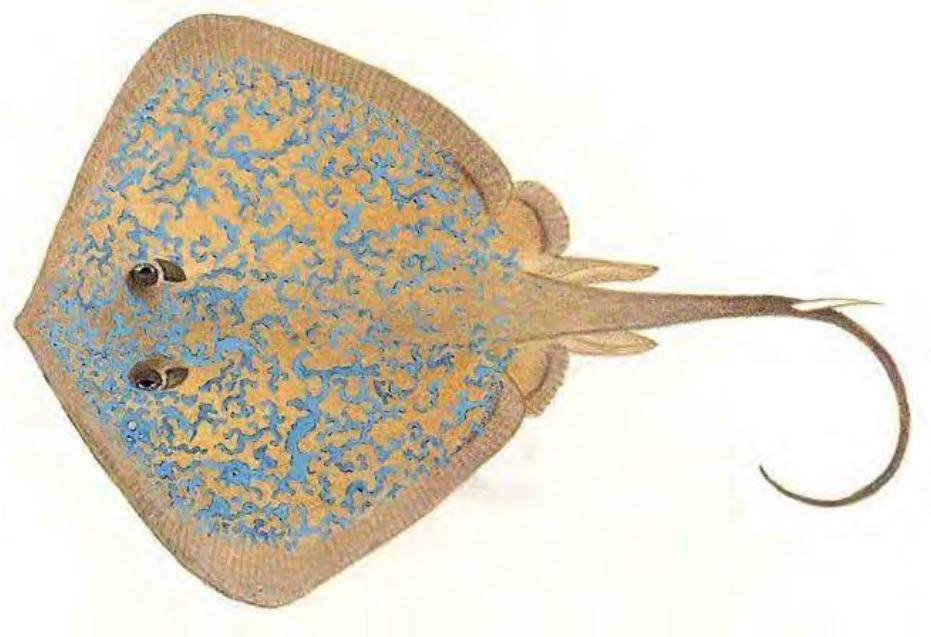
SMOOTH HOUND SHARK
TL MIN MM 690



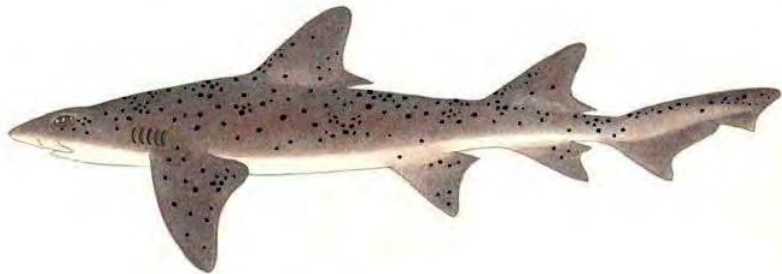
SOUP FIN SHARK
PCL MIN MM 360



BLUE STINGRAY
DW MIN MM 330



SPOTTED GULLY
TL MIN MM 660



BLACKWATER BUTTERFLY
DW MIN MM 307



SPOTTED RAGGED TOOTH SHARK
PCL MIN MM 410



EAGLE RAY
DW MIN MM 390



PUFADDER SHY SHARK
TL MIN MM 520



COB/KABELJOU/SALMON DAGGA
TL MIN MM 460



BULL RAY
DW MIN MM



MARbled ELECTRIC RAY
DW MIN MM 330



SPEARNOSE SKATE
DW MIN MM 510



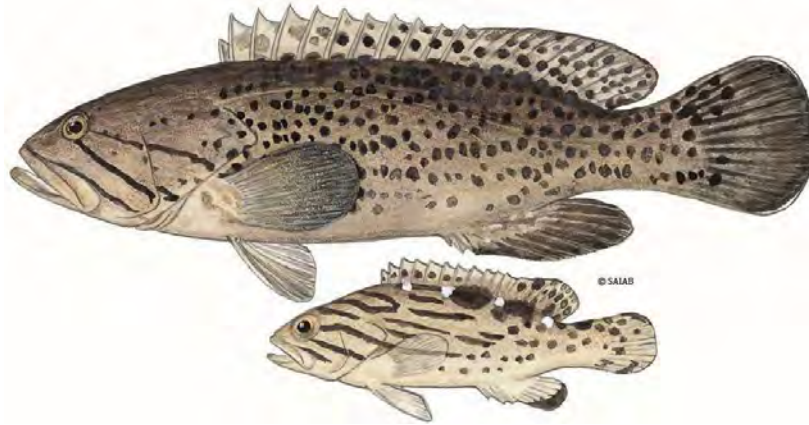
THORNTALE SKATE
DW MIN MM 370



SPOTTED GRUNTER
TL MIN MM 430



CATFACE ROCKCOD
TL MIN MM 430



Specie Exclusions:

No Toby, Octopus, Crustaceans, Shellfish, Sea Babel, Eels, Dory's or any freshwater fish shall be legible for weighing.

Scoring System

Daily Individual (Pair) classification à Daily ranking

- First the most points (after conversion) count
- In the case of a tie the pair with the highest number of fish will rank first.
- If, after taking into account the highest number of fish there is still a tie, it is the pair with the heaviest/longest fish who will rank first.

Final Individual (Pair) classification

- A individual final classification is determined by the sum of his daily rankings. (The pair with the lowest sum comes first).
- In the case of a tie the individual angler (pair) with the best daily position over all the days will come first.
- If the anglers/pairs still have an equal score after all the matches, then you take into consideration the angler who has recorded the highest number of legal-size fish during the competition days.
- If there is still a tie the angler who has caught the heaviest/longest fish.

Daily Nation (Team) classification à Daily ranking

- A teams' 2 best pairs will count for the daily team classification (sum of the 2 pairs' ranking places)
- In the case of a tie in the daily team classification, the team with the highest weight or points of all **3 pairs** will come first.
- If there is still a tie, then the team (**3 pairs**) with the highest number of fish of legal size will come first (sum of all the fish caught by the **3 pairs**).
- And after that, if there is still a tie, the heaviest/longest fish of the 3 pairs of the team, will be considered.

Final Nation (Team) classification

- A final Team classification is determined by the sum of his daily rankings. (The pair with the lowest sum comes first).
- In the case of a tie in the final team classification, the team with the best day ranking over all the competition days will come first.
- If there is still a tie, then the team with the highest weight or number of points considering all the **3 pairs** over all the competition days will come first.
- If the teams still have an equal score you take into consideration the team who has recorded the highest number of legal-size fish during the competition days (**3 pairs**).
- If there is still a tie, then the team (**3 pairs**) who has caught the heaviest/longest fish or in case of «catch and release» angling (point system), the team with the highest number of fish with the best value (which is worth most points) of the **3 pairs** over all the competition days will be first.

Typical Boats Used



Catch and Release on 4kg Tournament line Mossel Bay





Angling Rules

A. Angler Categories

Pairs of a Light Tackle team can be composed of anglers from the different categories (at least one adult).

B. Team Composition

For Pair Angling (Light Tackle), a team which participates in a FIPS/M competition should comprise of three but at the very least two pairs.

C. Rules for Light Tackle Boat Fishing

1. Line used shall be restricted to 4kg maximum breaking strain. Lines will be supplied by the organisers. No other line may be used.
2. The teams may consist of 6 anglers (= 3 pairs). There will be two anglers per boat from the same team competing as pairs. The highest two pair's weight will count towards the international (team) rankings and a pair will count towards the individual pair rankings.
3. Anglers are allowed to fish with a maximum of two rods and reels. Only one additional spare rod and reel per angler, not rigged, will be allowed on the boat.
4. Casting of rods is allowed as long as there is no danger for the people on the boat.
5. The rod length is restricted to between 1.5m and 3m.
6. All boats provided for a tournament will be similar in size and equipped.
7. Fish may only be landed / netted from the boat on which the angler hooked the fish.
8. All fish must be measured on the boat and then released, according to the appropriated guidelines as specified in Paragraph "1 – Classification" Once the fish has been released only then may the rod again be used for fishing.
9. An angler may not receive any assistance by a person from another boat.
10. The angler, his partner or the skipper may not leave the boat while playing or netting/landing the fish.
11. Not more than 2 separate hooks may be used per rod.
12. Double or treble hooks may only be used if attached to a factory produced artificial lure.
13. Only natural baits provided by the organisers may be used. The catching of fresh bait or bait fish is not permitted.
14. Chumming is allowed with the natural bait provided. Artificial liquids or any other attraction foods are forbidden.
15. An angler cannot have any help or assistance in baiting hooks or playing a fish from his partner or from the boat skipper or marshal. The boat partner may assist in baiting hooks.

16. The angler may request his boat partner, the boat skipper or the steward marshal or captain to net/land the fish.
17. The length of the trace must not exceed the length of the rod and can be made of any kind of material. Spare trace line must be on the original spool. The total length of the trace is measured from where the single 4kg line terminates to the end of the trace whether it is the sinker or the hook.
18. A fish hooked by 2 anglers will not count for the classification.
19. No float or bung exceeding 50mm in diameter in any direction shall be used in any competition.
20. A Fish hooked but not landed at the expiry time of the competition may be played for 1 (one) additional hour on condition that the organisers are notified. All other live rods must be removed from the water, any fish hooked after the expiry time will not count.
21. Boats may not anchor, place an anchor or anchor rope within 50m from another boat unless agreed between the boats.
22. The Anglers may decide to change position as many times as needed, if safety permits, within the angling area.
23. The full crew of the boat will be the skipper and or marshal and the 2 (two) anglers.
24. Species of fishes: All saltwater species. No Tobi, Octopus, Crustaceans, Shell fish, Sea Barbel, Eels, Dory's (Spiny Dogfish) or any freshwater fish shall be legible for weighing.
25. Angling area: Saltwater: Tidal Rivers, lagoons, and harbour areas under control of the port captain.
26. The championship/competition area shall be closed for all competitors for 30 days before the start of the event. The organizer however must offer the possibility for practice angling at least under the same competition conditions at the area where the competition is to be held to all qualified participants.
27. An angler's rod may not be handled by anyone other than the angler himself while the rod is "alive". An angler's rod is considered "alive" when there is a hook or lure attached and the line is in the water.
28. Fish measured incorrectly will not count.

FIPS-M Angling Rules:

https://www.fips-m.org/upload/pdf/reglementsFIPS-M/2020/Boat_Angling_Rules_FIPSM-EN%202020.pdf

1. Classification by weight for "catch and release" fishing (Light Tackle Boat):

1. Fish are measured in centimeters on the measuring tool supplied.
2. Fish are photographed on the measuring tool by the marshal (steward)
3. The length is recorded on the weigh sheet by the marshal (steward) and signed by the angler.
4. The Fish length is converted from length to weight by using the standard length/weight conversion tables of the applicable country (ORI – Oceanic Research Institute)
5. Minimum weight for classification will be 1(one) kg.
6. Fish will be measured in 5 ways.

Tourism

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The family experiences in Mossel Bay can be enjoyed in several different ways. Here is a list of great attractions in Mossel Bay.

Attractions in Mossel Bay caters for everyone. You do not need to be an [adrenalin junkie](#) to have the best of Mossel Bay. The wide sweep of shoreline against a background of dramatic, rugged mountains – Mossel Bay is one of the biggest attractions on South Africa's Garden Route.

And while you're here, here are some of the things you're going to enjoy:

Just Outside of Mossel Bay

Take a drive to Great Brak River (Great Brak River Museum; many art galleries); the historic mission station at Friemersheim in the foothills of the Outeniqua Mountains and the Wolwedans Dam.

The Nature of the Garden Route

Enjoy a malaria-free game drive to see the Big Five (Lion, Leopard, Rhino, Buffalo & Elephant); ride an elephant; take a boat trip to Seal Island; watch whales and dolphins by boat or from the shore; visit a nature reserve or take a drive in the countryside.



Museums & Culture

We'd like to suggest that the very idea of culture was born in Mossel Bay – because it was here that the [earliest evidence for modern human behavior](#) has been found. Yes, this is where the 600 or so individuals who were the common ancestors of everyone who's ever lived began using complex tools, harvesting the sea in an organized way, and painting with ocher's 164,000 years ago.

And over the millennia, where herders and hunter-gatherers watched the seasons come and go – and recorded many of their spiritual experiences in the rock art in their caves and shelters in the Outeniqua Mountains.

And, in 1488, where Portuguese navigator Bartolomeu Dias and his men became the first European explorers to round the Cape of Good Hope and land on South African Soil.

Today, you can explore all this history and culture in our many museums, hike historic paths to see where our ancestors lived, meet local artists and crafters, and enjoy an unmatched programme of entertainment and theatre (particularly in the summer holidays – December and January – when many of South Africa’s top musicians, singers, dancers, and actors come to Mossel Bay to perform on our stages).



Whale Watching

Mossel Bay is one of the best whale and dolphin watching destinations on the Southern Cape Coast. The Mossel Bay Cetacean Project – a scientific study of the species and numbers of marine mammals that visit the Bay – has shown that at least some of them are here almost every day of the year.

Romonza Boat Trips

Boat trips are available every hour on the hour from 10h00-17h00 daily. All year round we sail to seal island and stop for a closer look at the 3000 fascinating seals. The Romonza holds the only boat-based whale watching permit in Mossel Bay. Depart from our comfortable working harbor to observe the greatest mammal close-up. We do this twice daily.



Where to watch

Keep an eye out from any vantage point along the coast – you'll sometimes see whales and dolphins playing or resting just behind the breakers. Mossel Bay also offers [boat-based whale watching tours](#).

Cape St Blaize Lighthouse 1864

The Cape St Blaize Lighthouse has been a beacon to navigators since 1864. It is open Monday – Friday to the public from 10h00 – 15h00. It is closed over the weekends and public holidays. It is only one of two manned lighthouses on the South African coast today.

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The lamp in Mossel Bays iconic lighthouse was first lit on the 15th of March 1864. The tower is 20.5 meters high, and stands about 52 meters above sea level.

Cape St. Blaize is so-named because Bartolomeu Dias and his crew first landed in Mossel Bay on St. Blaizes Day (3 February) in 1488 (St. Blaize is known in Portuguese as S Br). However, the Lighthouse is also situated directly above the archaeologically important Cape St. Blaize Cave, which was used by local hunter-gatherers' herders over a period of about 200,000 years – so the area is by no means just a modern observation post.

The Lighthouse was originally lit by a fountain lamp that was visible as a single red light for 15 nautical miles. The lamp was upgraded using various different types of paraffin burners in 1875, 1897, and 1911, and it was finally electrified on the 6th of April 1931. The lights power increased with each upgrade, too – from 4,500 candelas in 1875, to 450,000 in 1931.

The Lighthouses foghorn was installed in 1914, and upgraded in 1945 and 1989, while a radio beacon with the call sign ZRF was installed in 1959.

Latitude 34 11'10.45"S Longitude 22 9'22.83"E

Santos Beach Pavilion



According to local legend, the architect of this stately Victorian sandstone structure travelled to Brighton, in England, and drew his inspiration from the Pavilion there – but which one? Was it the Indo-Saracenic styled Royal Pavilion (a former royal residence), or was it one of the pavilions that stood on the Brighton Palace or Brighton West piers?

Whatever it was, the Santos Beach Pavilion was completed in 1906 by the builder WJR Swart, and it became a popular meeting place – particularly in the 1920s and 1930s – when members of the community would gather to socialize and to listen to live music. It was the site of the town's official reception for Prince Edward, the Prince of Wales, when he visited in 1925.

The building was slated for demolition after the roof and much of the woodwork were destroyed by fire in 1979, but it was saved when a private company was granted a long lease on the property and paid for its restoration.

The Pavilion now houses the Santos Pavilion Restaurant and private apartments.

Latitude 34 10'48.92"S Longitude 22 8'30.97"E

Hiking Trails



Mossel Bay was made for walking! Read on for information and links about our most popular hikes and trails.

Oyster Catcher Trail

Guided luxury walks along the coast from Mossel Bay to Gouritz Mouth. Your luggage is transported by road, you carry only your day packs, cameras, and swimming costumes, and you sleep each night in top-class accommodation

- More information: www.oystercatchertrail.co.za

Wolwedans Day Walk

Great Brak River: 3km, 2hrs, one-way, easy walk.

- Enquiries: [Great Brak River Tourism](#)
- Telephone +27(0)44 620 2550

Ruiterbos Day Walk

Off the Robinson Pass, 5km, 2hrs. circular, Easy walk.

St Blaize Trail

Day Walk, Mossel Bay, 13,5 km, 6-hours, one direction. You can walk shorter sections. Call 044-606 5143 [Click here for more information.](#)

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3-4 Hour tour of the pinnacle point caves – Mossel Bay – led by archaeologist Dr. Peter Nilssen. 175 Steps to discover 162 000 years of our origins.

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History of Mossel Bay

Mossel Bay is a harbor town of about 130,000 people on the Southern Cape (or Garden Route) of South Africa. It is an important tourism and farming region of the Western Cape Province. Mossel Bay lies 400 kilometers east of the country's seat of parliament, Cape Town (which is also the capital city of the Western Cape Province), and 400 km west of Port Elizabeth, the largest city in the Eastern Cape Province. The older parts of the town occupy the north-facing side of the Cape St Blaize Peninsula, whilst the newer suburbs straddle the Peninsula and have spread eastwards along the sandy shore of the bay.

The town's economy relied heavily on farming, fishing and its commercial harbor (the smallest in the Transnet Port Authority's stable of South African commercial harbors), until the 1969 discovery of natural offshore gas fields led to the development of the gas-to-liquids refinery operated by Petro SA. Tourism is another driver of Mossel Bay's economy.

The origin of the name Mossel Bay (the Bay of Mussels) has to do with the ascendancy of the Dutch shipping merchants in the late 16th and the early 17th Centuries. In one account, the explorer Cornelis de Houtman named the place Mossel Bay when he stopped there in 1595, whilst in another, the Dutch Admiral Paulus van Caerden named it when he came ashore on 8 July 1601. Whatever the case, though, the mussels and oysters on the shore would have been a welcome addition to the limited diet on which ship's crews were expected to survive in those days.

Although it is today best known as the place at which the first Europeans landed on South African soil (Bartolomeu Dias and his crew arrived on 3 February 1488), Mossel Bay's human history can - as local archaeological deposits have revealed - be traced back more than 164,000 years.

The modern history of Mossel Bay began on 3 February 1488, when the Portuguese explorer Bartolomeu Dias landed with his men at a point close to the site of the modern-day Dias Museum Complex.^[2] Here they found a spring from which to replenish their water supplies. Dias had been appointed to search for a trading route to India by [King John II of Portugal](#), and, without realizing it, actually rounded the Cape of Good Hope before landing at Mossel Bay - which he named *Angra dos Vaqueiros* (The Bay of Cowherds). Dias is also credited with having given the Cape the name *Cabo das Tormentas* (the 'Cape of Storms'), although King John II later changed this to *Cabo da Boa Esperança* (the Cape of Good Hope).

Dias' excursion ashore ended hastily when the local people chased him off in a hail of stones.

By the time the Portuguese explorer Vasco da Gama reached the area in 1497, the Bay had been marked on the maps as *Aguada de São Brás*, (the Watering Place of St Blaize - whose feast is celebrated on 3 February). Da Gama bartered successfully for cattle with the local Khoi people in what is generally regarded as the first commercial transaction between Europeans and the indigenous people of South Africa.

Climate

Mossel Bay's climate is mild throughout the year as the town is situated in the area where the winter rainfall and all-year rainfall regions of the Western Cape Province meet. Its weather is influenced by the Agulhas Current of the Indian Ocean to the south, and by the presence of the Outeniqua Mountains to the north. Mossel Bay receives 80% of its rainfall at night.

Frost is rare or almost absent and snow has never been recorded on the coastal platform. Snow does, however, occasionally fall on the mountain peaks and can be seen from the town on rare occasions. Prevailing winds are westerly in winter (May - August) and easterly in summer (September - April), and rarely reach storm- or gale-force strength. The average days of sunshine are 320 days per year.

