

CAPITAL CITY CHAPTER OF MUSKIES, INC.
Members Only Release Contest
Annual Rules and Regulations

1. Muskies must be caught on legal sport fishing tackle (i.e. hook and line) in the United States or Canada in strict compliance with all local and state or provincial laws. Therefore, muskies caught during a closed season do not qualify.
2. The minimum length to qualify for the release contest is thirty (30) inches. Total length is measured from the tip of the lower jaw to the farthest tip of the tail. Each muskie should be measured to the nearest inch. However, any muskie measuring under the minimum length of (30) inches is not to be registered. A musky 1/2" under the thirty (30) inch minimum length cannot be rounded up to the nearest inch to qualify for the release contest.
3. The muskie must be hooked, played and caught by only one person. Only that person may enter the muskie in the release contest. Assistance in landing and releasing a muskie is permitted.
4. Entrants must be a member in **good standing** of the Capital City Chapter of Muskies, Inc. prior to catching the muskie.
5. **All entries must be entered on the Muskies, Inc. website (www.muskiesinc.org).** **Members must register their catch within (30) days of the date of the catch.** The contest ends on December 31st. Members with December releases must arrange to have such entries received by the designated contest chairmen on or before December 31st. **Entries received after December 31st will be deemed ineligible for any and all CCMI contests.**
NOTE: Rules for other CCMI contests may differ from these rules. Please see the rules and regulations for any contest you may be interested in entering.
6. A point system will be used to determine year-end awards. Four (4) points will be awarded for each qualifying musky released. An additional point will be awarded for each inch over the minimum thirty (30) inch length.
7. The Board of Directors will review all disputed entries. They will arbitrate any disputes or questions. The Board of Directors decisions will be considered final.
8. Releases do not need to be witnessed to be eligible for the CCMI release contest. It may however be to your benefit to have a release witnessed if you feel such a release will be eligible for International Awards or the CCMI Graphite Release Raffle.
9. Categories - Release Division Only. (Most Release Points)
 - a) Masters (1) award
 - b) Men's Open (1) award
 - c) Women's Open (1) award
 - d) Junior's Open (1) award
 - e) Rookie of the year (rookie is defined as anyone who joined MI as a CCMI member after August 31 of the previous year) (1) award
 - f) Largest release: True (45" min.) (1) award
Hybrid (40" min.) (1) award
In the event of a tie, multiple awards will be given.
 - g) Lunker of the month (May through Nov) (1) award per month
The muskie must be 45" or longer to qualify for Lunker of the Month. In the event of a tie, multiple awards will be given for that month.
 - h) Largest Dane County Release (1) award
 - i) Largest Junior Division Release (1) award
10. The one individual with the most accumulated points from all of the open divisions combined will be moved into the Masters Division where they will remain. Members may petition the Board of Directors to be reinstated to a division other than the Masters.

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