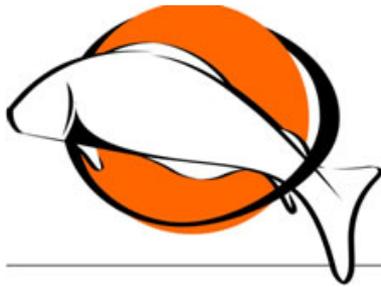


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Dear Mr friends of fishing and ichthyology,

This edition describes the Muskie records in greater detail, because we revised the database completely concerning *Esox masquinongy*. Please don't forget to publish your business entry in the "Where to Fish" section. For a fee of 100,- or 200,- Euro per year you are able to present your company 5 million international fishermen. Your support guarantees the maintenance of this free high quality knowledge base and newsletter service.

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The largest Common Carp ever!

On 23rd of April 2013 lucky angler Colin Smith was fishing the commercial fishery Lake Etang Saussaie, Champagne region, France when he hooked the largest recorded Common Carp (scaled form).

The huge fish weighed 45,59 kg (100 lb 8 oz) and is the second largest *Cyprinus carpio carpio* ever after the actual world record Mirror Carp from Hungary.

[More carp species over 25 kg](#)



The "official" modern day Muskie record

Due to catch & release most potential world record Muskies were not weighed and measured accurately in the last decades. Therefore the capture of a 58-pound Muskie by Joe Seeberger on 13th of October, 2012 from Lake Bellaire, Michigan, USA has set the new modern standard for anglers. The certified weight is 26,31 kg (58 lb), the total length 147 cm (58 inch) and the girth 74 cm (29 inch), accepted by the "Modern Day Muskellunge World Record Program", founded by Larry Ramsell, World Muskie Alliance.

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The potential Muskie rod & reel record

Martin Williamson caught the fish in Lake Huron, Georgian Bay, Ontario in 2000. This fish was weighed on a commercial scale that was not certified, hence the fish cannot be established as the rod and reel record without controversy. However, it is likely that the weight of 27,78 kg (61 lb 4 oz) was very close. The sterile fish measured 55 inches long with a 31,5 inches girth and was only 17 years old. Probably the longest rod caught specimen was a claimed 63-inch Muskellunge caught August 17, 1993 from Lac Seul, Ontario, Canada by Dan Jacobson.

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?:	73,48	162 lb 0 oz	Lake Michigan	USA	188
?:	56,70	125 lb 0 oz	Lake Huron, Georgian Bay	Canada	19
?:	49,89	110 lb 0 oz	Lake Courte Oreilles	USA	1884
?:	46,27	102 lb 0 oz	Lake Minocqua	USA	18
?:	45,36	100 lb 0 oz	Lake Michigan	USA	1865
?:	39,46	87 lb 0 oz	tributary of Lake Michigan	USA	189
?:	38,56	85 lb 0 oz	Lake Erie	USA	1864
?:	36,29	80 lb 0 oz	Calumet River	USA	1840
?:	36,29	80 lb 0 oz	Ohio River system	USA	1844
?:	36,29	80 lb 0 oz	Connaught Lake	USA	18
?:	36,29	80 lb 0 oz	St. Lawrence River	USA	unknown

Muskie myths and legends

According to Larry Ramsell's extensive investigations and latest know-how ALL former rod & reel records are bogus! Therefore we removed the Lawton, Spray, Johnson and also the O'Brien fish. Furthermore we deleted all historical record weights (picture left) and claimed lengths between 183 cm (6 feet) and 244 cm (8 feet), as the modern science don't believes that Muskies get that big.

Maybe we will do the same with the old Northern Pike stories. But Fred Buller and Jan Eggers are not as convinced as Larry Ramsell, that all historical giants are exaggerations.

[Muskellunge myths - User Gallery](#)



Possible maximum size of Muskies?

At this point in history, Larry Ramsell, the number 1 Muskie expert finds all past reported muskellunge over 27 kg (60 lb) suspect except for a couple. The fish left was netted by the crew from the Spooner, Wisconsin fish hatchery. It was claimed to be 173 cm (68 inches) long, but this has not been verified. In addition there are rumors with photographs of two that were either netted or speared that were possibly in the 64 to 65-pound range (over 29 kg), but there is no way to confirm the claimed weights. These weights presumably included spawn. Those fish without eggs would have weighed considerably less.

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Tight lines!

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