



EFFFA Guide

Workshop & Exam 2019

Demands

The candidate shall have the necessary knowledge and experience to perform Flyfishing guiding in a safe way and with a high level of expertise in Flyfishing. The candidate shall be prepared to show knowledge and skills, not only in safety and in Flyfishing, but also in fish handling, customer service, cultural understanding and conducting his/her guide service in an ecological responsible way.

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Water rescue test

- 1. Be able to swim 200 meter continues*
- 2. Swim 50 meters in waders & wading shoes & onè trie to dive (only for practice)*
- 3. Swim up to 25 meters*
- 4. Dive down to depth of 4 meters, swimming goggles and nose plugs are not allowed.*
- 5. Pick up a doll (person)*
- 6. Surface and float the person to shore (25 meters). The person to be rescued lies on his back with arms crossed over stomach region. The candidate cannot touch the bottom or the sides of the pool.*
- 7. Get the rescued person ashore in safe manner*
- 8. Put the person in a stabile position*
- 9. Perform correct cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CRP) on a mannequin (step 3 to 8 is conducted in a continuous sequence)*
- 10. Demonstrate the principles “reach, throw, row and go.” (we teach this part on the water and do the test there)*

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Fly tying / Fly knowledge

The candidate will bring 12 different, self-tied patterns and present them and show knowledge about the flies. The candidate will provide information regarding the history of the pattern, what it imitates, when and where to use it and under which conditions. The candidate will be asked to tie one or more of the flies to prove ability in fly tying.



Flycasting

Equipment and general information:

rod:

Single hand fly rod which can be bought in a tackle shop, length: 7 to 9 feet, maximum #6, no change of rods during the exam (except if damaged)

fly line:

floating line not to exceed line weight #6, length min. 25m, no change of lines during the exam (except if damaged)

leader:

7 to 9 feet, min. tippet length 50 cm, maximum tippet diameter 25 mm

dry fly:

high visible floating fly yarn (min. length 1 cm)

Please notice:

- The candidates must be properly dressed.
- Prior to each attempt of the Casting Performance Test the candidate can make a test cast. This cast is voluntary, must be announced by the candidate prior to its use and does not count for the result.
- Backhand cast: The rod hand must cross the middle of the body axis line during casting. It is not allowed to twist the reel 180° during the cast.
- Switch Cast: The fly must be leaving the water and anchoring again before it is finally shot to the demanded distance.
- If nothing else is demanded always two false casts must be made prior to presenting the fly (except the casts with water contact)
- A false cast always consists of a back cast and a forward cast.
- The fly must always land in front of the leader and the leader must land in front of the fly line.
- Whether line nor leader nor fly may touch the ground or water during false casting.
- If tailing loops can be recognized during an attempt (exception: demonstration of a casting mistake) the attempt will not be valid even the target distance is reached.

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Casting Performance Test:

(all limits must be mastered; 3 attempts are allowed)

Women: 10 % minus on casting distances

- *Overhead 20 meters*
- *Backhand cast 18 meters*
- *Bow cast on both sides*
- *Switch cast 15 meters*
- *Roll cast 12 meters*
- *Double haul – explain how and why*
- *A presentation cast, one of the following; reach cast, parachute cast or serpentine cast – explain how and why*
- *Tailing loop and open loop – demonstrate and instruct on how to correct errors. (Certified flycasting instructors do not have to perform this test)*

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Complete Guide training course

The candidate will have to complete the practical /-theoretical guide course with fishability analysis, planning and peer evaluation on a practical case during the course.

Prices:

Complete Course € 700 or CHF 750.00

(Including € 100.00 EFFA exam fee)