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Uncover the mysteries of Poland's waters
with the National Inland Fisheries Research Institute





Introduction

Do you know what lies hidden in our lakes and rivers? For over 70 years, the National Inland Fisheries Research Institute in Olsztyn has been studying aquatic life for the sake of our fish's well-being. We established it in 1951 for one important mission: to combine science with fishing practice.



What do we do?

We are more than just scientists in labs. We operate on many fronts: We passionately research fish and their environment: we study them under a magnifying glass, we learn their secrets in lakes and rivers. Our discoveries help fishermen: thanks to our research, they know how to better care for their ponds and fish farms. We share the knowledge: we publish interesting books, brochures and magazines so that everyone can learn more about fish. We educate and inform: we organize trainings and meetings because we believe that knowledge about fish is important for everyone.



Our team of experts

Our experts are truly passionate about their field. Through their expertise, they delve into the secrets of fish (ichthyology), lakes (limnology), life in water (water ecology, hydrobiology), fish health (veterinary medicine), and their relationship with the economy (economics).



We provide everything!

At the Inland Fisheries Institute in Olsztyn, we do not only conduct research – we bring it to life! Our modern laboratories are equipped with the latest in analytical and research equipment. It is here that our experts delve into the microscopic world of fish, analyse water quality and study the impact of the environment on aquatic life. It is within these walls that innovative ideas for a better future of fishing are born. But that's not all! We understand the importance of practical applications of our discoveries. That is why we maintain specialist fish hatcheries and nurseries, where, under our specialists' watchful eyes, fish develop from the smallest egg, through delicate fry, into adults hearty and hale. Here we can test different breeding and selection methods to provide the best material for further production and stocking.

And for theory to meet reality, we run our own “fish farms” – our Independent Experimental Fish Farms. They are unique facilities capable of replicating conditions similar to commercial breeding in order to perform large-scale testing and improving of the methods we develop. As a result, we can be sure our knowledge and recommendations are solid and tested in practice.





Cooperation

We do not work alone! We help fishermen, we advise the government and local administration. We cooperate with other scientists, both in Poland and abroad.

How can we help you?

- Our knowledge and extensive experience are at your disposal if:
- You run fish ponds or plan to set them up.
- You need professional opinion in the field of fisheries management.
- You care about the health and well-being of your fish.
- You are looking for high-quality stocking material for your waters.
- You want to explore the fascinating world of life in our lakes and rivers.



**Want to learn more about the fascinating world of inland fish?
Have questions about our work?**

Do not hesitate to contact us!



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