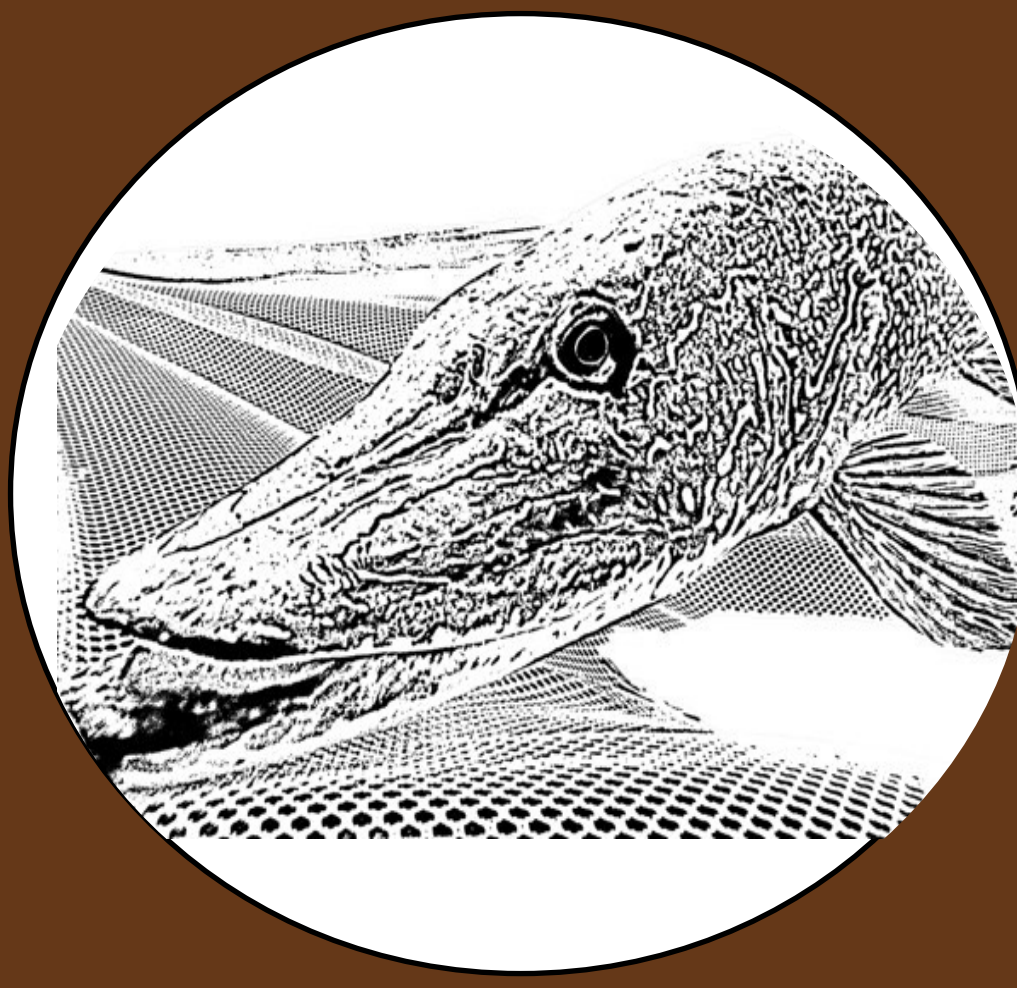


Catch & Release Techniques

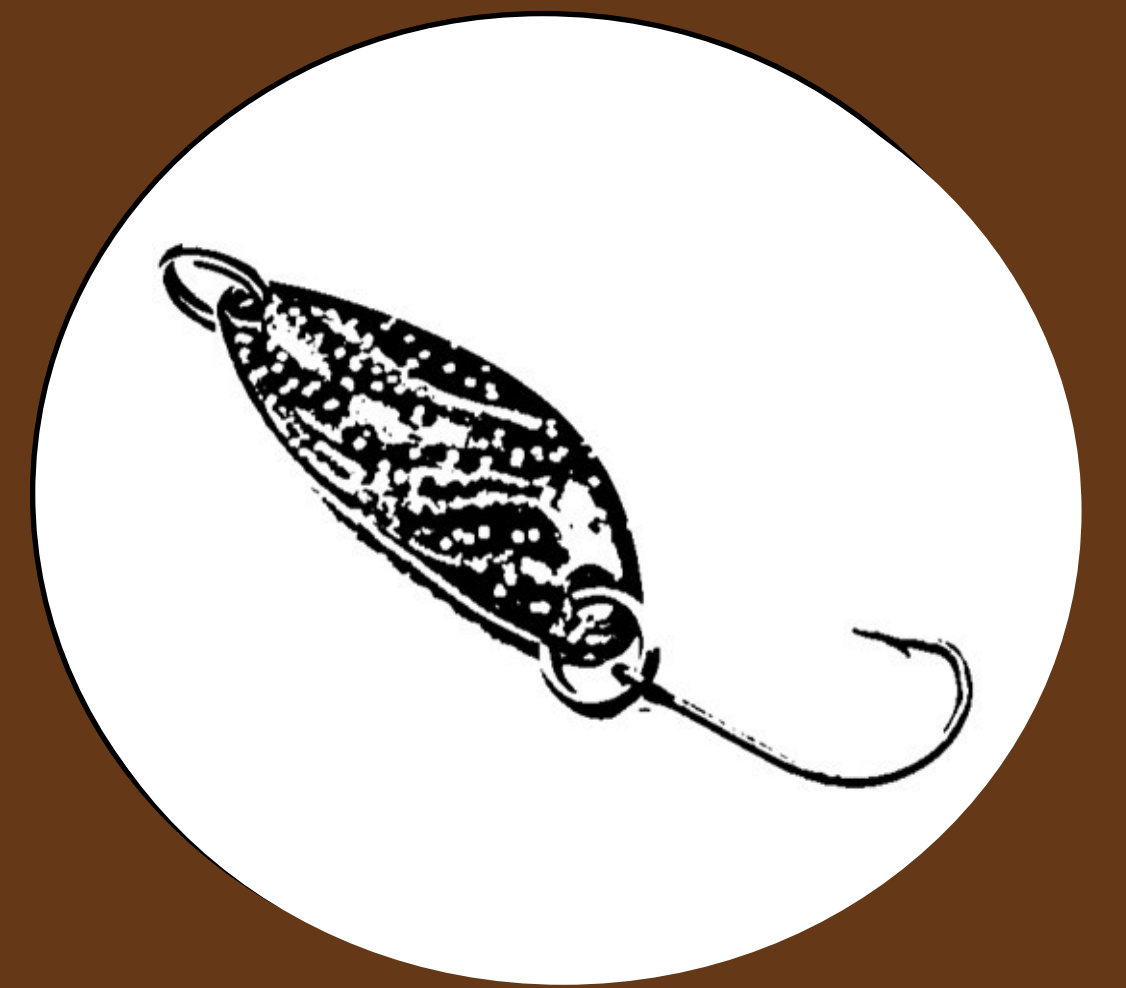
Reduce Post-Release Mortality



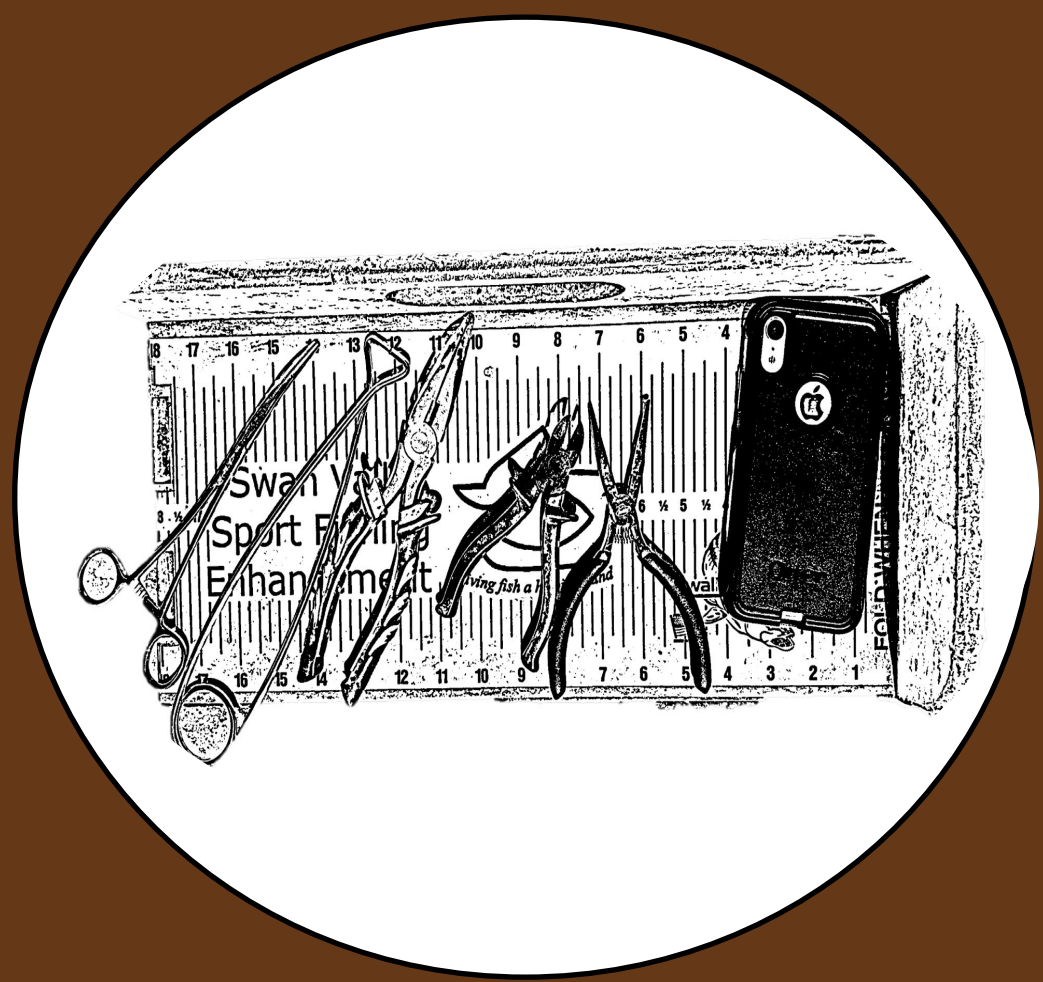
Use appropriate sized gear for species targeting



Use a large net to cradle the entire fish



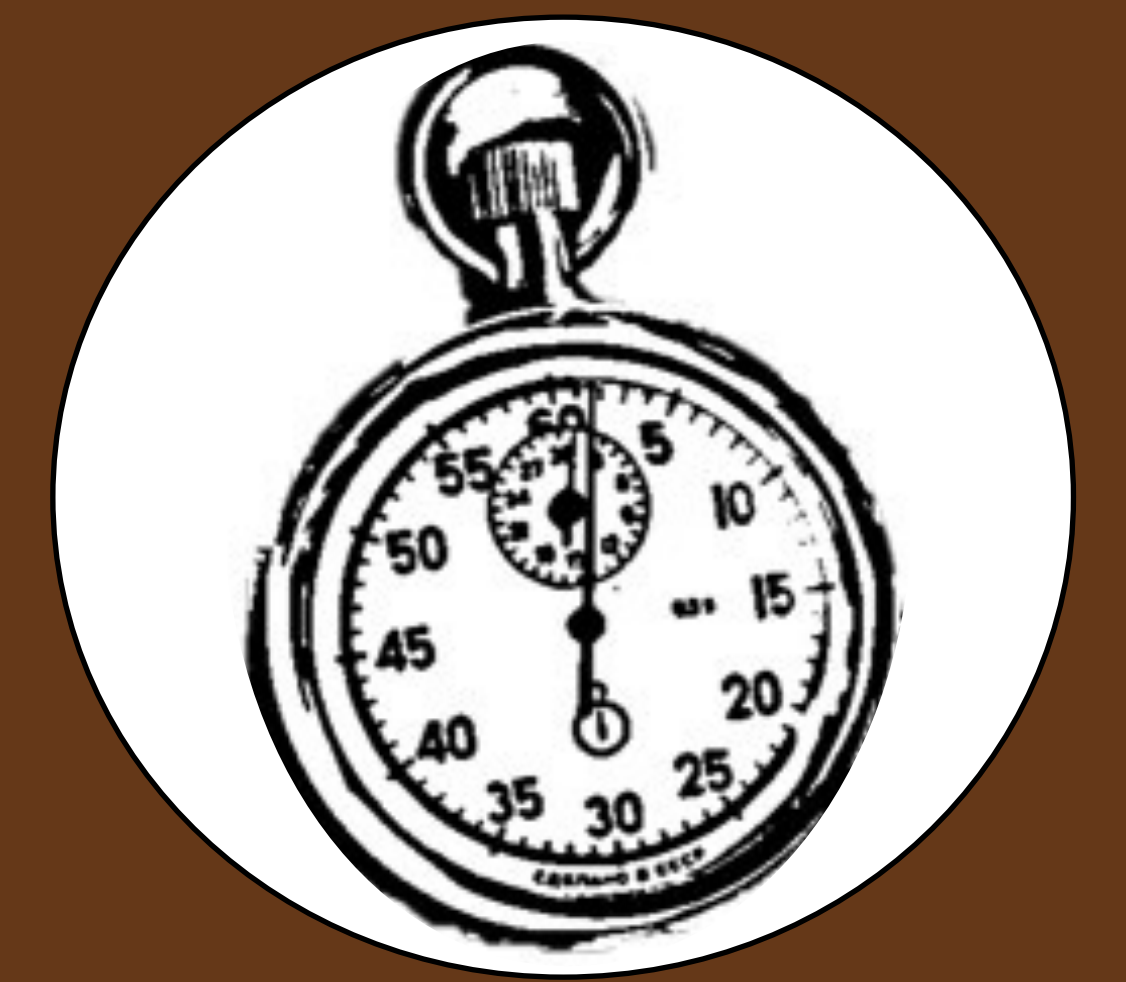
Remove hook while the fish is in the water if possible



Always have release tools ready. Bump board, pliers, spreaders, camera, cutters, etc.



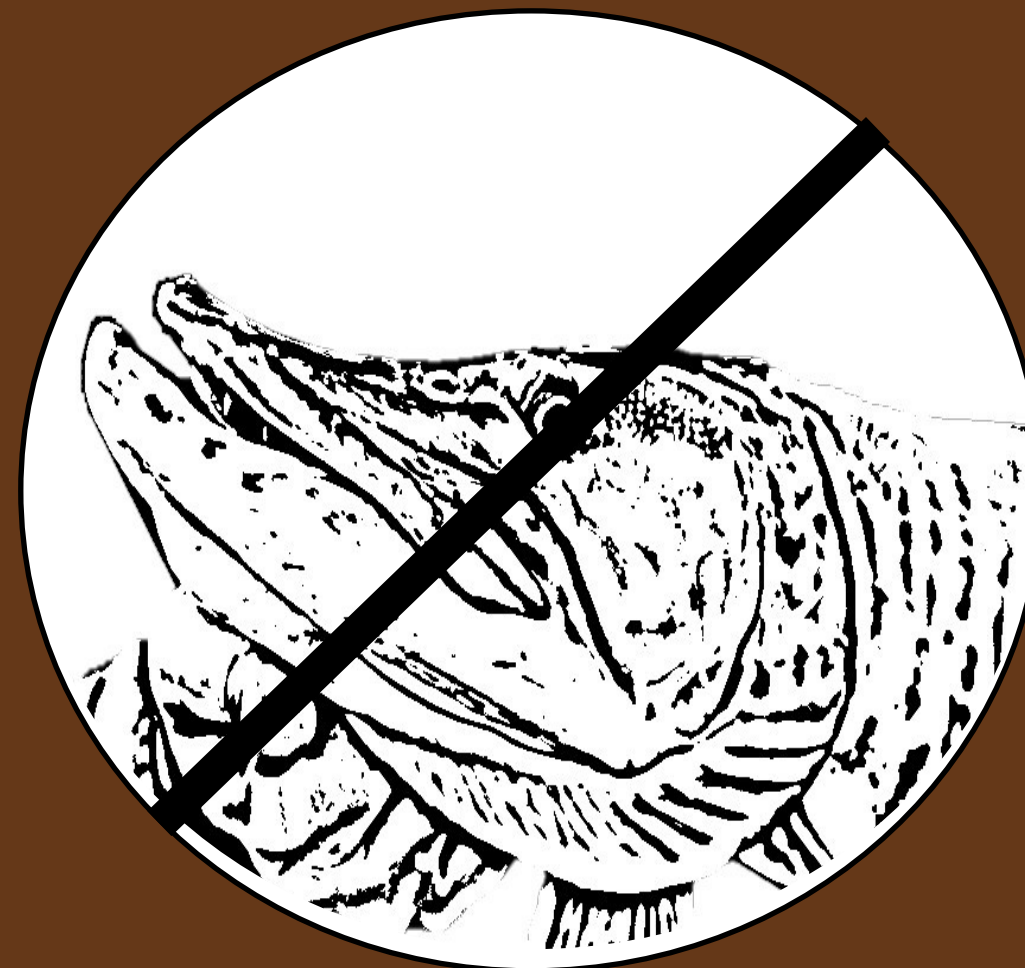
Use wet hands or gloves to



Keep time out of water to



Hold fish horizontal with one hand securing the tail and the other beneath the pectoral



Never hold fish by the gills or the eyes. Never hold the



Support the fish in the water until it swims away

Just because it swims away does not mean it will survive



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