

# Worm Fishing in the Morning

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The conversation developed a simple two-rod plan for an early-morning Kansas outing: keep one heavier setup on the bottom for catfish while actively working a lighter worm rig for bass and crappie. The strongest general pattern is shallow structure at first light, followed by a move toward deeper edges, brush, timber, bridge supports, or channel transitions as the morning brightens. Exact lake conditions and regulations still need to be checked before a trip.

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| STATUS         | Recovered / Needs Retest                     |
| CLASSIFICATION | DAT                                          |
| MATERIAL       | FISHING NOTES / NIGHTCRAWLER / KANSAS WATERS |
| DISPOSITION    | PUBLIC / LOCAL SUMMARY / FIELD NOTES         |
| CATEGORY       | Field / Fishing                              |
| RECORD TYPE    | fishing-field-note                           |

## TECHNICAL NOTES

A recovered morning-fishing guide for using worms to target Kansas catfish, crappie, and bass around first light.

## GOAL

Turn an early Kansas morning and ordinary worms into a flexible plan for catfish, crappie, and bass.

## EQUIPMENT

- Heavier bottom-fishing rod
- Lighter spinning rod
- Circle hook
- Small Aberdeen hook
- Bobber
- Landing net
- Cool worm container

## MATERIALS

- Nightcrawlers
  - Small worm pieces
  - Sliding sinker
  - Swivel
  - Leader
  - Small split shot
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## METHOD / STEPS

1. Start at first light on shallow rocky, windblown, woody, or brushy structure.
  2. Set the heavier rod with a nightcrawler on the bottom for catfish and let the rod load before reeling steadily.
  3. Work a lighter worm near riprap, wood, docks, weeds, brush, or a creek mouth for bass.
  4. Keep a small piece of worm 6-18 inches above brush or timber for crappie, adjusting the bobber depth as needed.
  5. As the sun rises, move from shallow edges toward deeper cover, channel edges, or bridge structure.
  6. Check current Kansas regulations, access rules, water level, and local reports before fishing.
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## RESULT / WHERE THIS STANDS

A practical starting plan, not a guarantee; the next field test should record water, weather, depth, bait size, and species caught.

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## TROUBLESHOOTING

- If catfish activity is slow, adjust depth and move closer to a channel edge or creek mouth.
  - If bass ignore the worm, change fall speed and work tighter to cover.
  - If crappie are suspended, vary bobber depth instead of leaving the bait on bottom.
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## SAFETY / LIMITATIONS

- Follow current Kansas fishing regulations and site-specific rules.
  - Use barbless or legal hooks as required and handle fish carefully.
  - Keep bait, hooks, and line secured around children and pets.
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## SPECIFICATION

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| WINDOW   | About 30 minutes before sunrise through the first few morning hours |
| CATFISH  | Nightcrawler on a sliding-sinker bottom rig                         |
| BASS     | Light or weightless worm near cover                                 |
| CRAPPIE  | Small worm piece below a bobber or light split shot                 |
| PRIORITY | Public-water conditions and current regulations need recheck        |

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## DEVELOPMENT HISTORY

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Imported as a separate local public-safe record; no private location details were published.

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## RELEASED MATERIAL / SOURCE LINKS

DAT-KANSAS-WORM-0412-public-summary.txt

PUBLIC SUMMARY / FIELD NOTES

<https://u225x.com/downloads/record-notes/DAT-KANSAS-WORM-0412-public-summary.txt>

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## CONNECTED RECORDS

EXP-0031

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## RETURN TO THE LIVING RECORD

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