

Bobber and cut-bait catfish rig

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STATUS	Recovered/Partial
CLASSIFICATION	FISH
MATERIAL	FIELD / OUTDOORS
DISPOSITION	PUBLIC / RECOVERED/PARTIAL
CATEGORY	Fishing / Outdoors
RECORD TYPE	reference

TECHNICAL NOTES

Suspend cut bait above bottom debris or at the depth fish are using.

GOAL

Run the first test described in this guide and record the result for bobber and cut-bait catfish rig.

SOURCE STATE

New reference guidance; not a recovered test result

PREPARATION / NOTES

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EQUIPMENT

- Rod and reel matched to the target species
- Hooks, line, sinkers, and landing tools
- Notebook or phone field log

MATERIALS

- Bait or lure identified in the next field log

METHOD / STEPS

1. Slide a bobber stop and bead onto the line, then add a suitable slip float, weight, swivel and hook leader.
2. Use the smallest float that reliably supports the bait and sinker without being pulled under by current.
3. Set the bait just above the bottom or cover as a starting point; adjust depth based on bites.
4. Drift along an edge or fish a controlled stationary presentation, keeping the hook point clear of the bait.

THINGS TO WATCH FOR

Cut bait must be legal for the water and source species. Too much float resistance can obscure light bites; too little buoyancy creates false bite signals.

FIRST TEST / WHAT TO RECORD

The float stays upright and the bait tracks at the intended depth without dragging continuously.

RESULT / WHERE THIS STANDS

The float stays upright and the bait tracks at the intended depth without dragging continuously.

TROUBLESHOOTING

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SPECIFICATION

CATEGORY	Field / outdoors
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TARGET	catfish rig
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VALIDATION	Date, water, weather, depth, bait, result
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DEVELOPMENT HISTORY

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Imported as an independent manifest record; public copy keeps uncertainty visible.

REFERENCE NOTES

Kansas regulations

(<https://www.ksoutdoors.gov/programs-services/law-enforcement/regulations-statutes/fishing-regulations>).

HOW-TO SOURCES

Kansas regulations

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RELEASED MATERIAL / SOURCE LINKS

fish-008-public-summary.txt

PUBLIC SUMMARY / RECOVERED NOTES

<https://u225x.com/downloads/manifest-records/fish-008-public-summary.txt>

RETURN TO THE LIVING RECORD

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