

Heavy catfish tackle

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

TECHNICAL NOTES

Balance rod, reel, line, leader, hook and landing equipment around the actual bait and water.

GOAL

Run the first test described in this guide and record the result for heavy catfish tackle.

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. Choose a rod whose casting rating covers the combined sinker and bait mass.
2. Use a reel with adequate line capacity and a smooth drag; select line/leader for abrasion and current conditions.
3. Tie and pull-check knots and ensure the hook fits the bait with its point exposed.
4. Plan a safe landing position and use a suitable net. Adjust drag so the system can yield instead of transferring every surge to one weak point.

THINGS TO WATCH FOR

Heavy line does not make an overloaded rod safe. Never wrap line around a hand to pull a snag. Do not lift a large fish by the line or gills.

FIRST TEST / WHAT TO RECORD

A controlled pull test reveals no slipping knots, and landing can be done without climbing into unsafe footing.

RESULT / WHERE THIS STANDS

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TROUBLESHOOTING

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SPECIFICATION

CATEGORY	Field / outdoors
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TARGET	catfish tackle
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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-017-public-summary.txt

PUBLIC SUMMARY / RECOVERED NOTES

<https://u225x.com/downloads/manifest-records/fish-017-public-summary.txt>

RETURN TO THE LIVING RECORD

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