



Blue Fish Sustainable Angler Best Practices

1. Dispose of used soft plastic baits, fishing line and lead weights and jig responsibly.
2. Ensure live-wells, bilges and boat trailers are empty and clean to avoid transporting invasive species.
3. Use minnows that come from the lake or river being fished or from a certified bait seller to avoid introducing invasive species or diseases.
4. Learn how to selectively fish for specific species using the right sized tackle.
5. Leave shore fishing locations and boat launches cleaner than you found them.
6. Limit your personal fish harvest to one meal of fresh fish per outing.
7. Follow fishing and harvest regulations, and harvest only those fish species that are in plentiful supply.
8. Harvest fish lower on the food chain and release larger apex predators and the larger breeders.
9. Harvest from put-and-take fisheries, and support fish stock rebuilding efforts by practicing catch and release.
10. Report unethical behavior, tagged fish and water quality issues to relevant authorities.