

I'm Talkin' About Sharking

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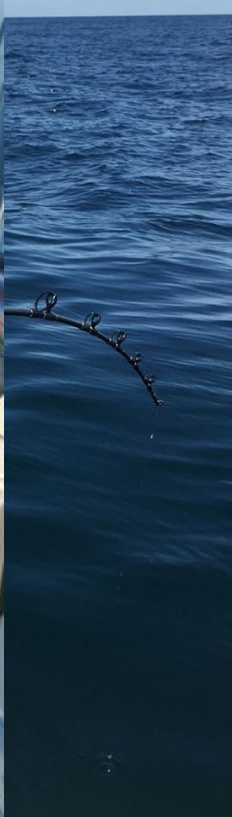




Essential Gear for Sharking → Rod and Reels

Reel Size	Rod	Line	Brands
50 / 50w	Full Roller Stand Up Straight or Bent Butt 50 - 130#	600 yards 130# Hollow 100 yds 100# Mono	Shimano Tiagra/TLD, Okuma Makaira, Avet EX
30 / 30w	Straight Butt Rollers or Not 30 - 80#	500 Yards 80# Hollow 100 yards 80# Mono	Shimano Tiagra/TLD, Okuma Makaira, Avet EX
Fun Reels Small Conventionals Large Spinners	Tuna Jigging Rods	As much 50 - 80 braid as you can	18k - 20k Spin Conventionals w/ 20 pounds of drag and at least 300 yards of braid

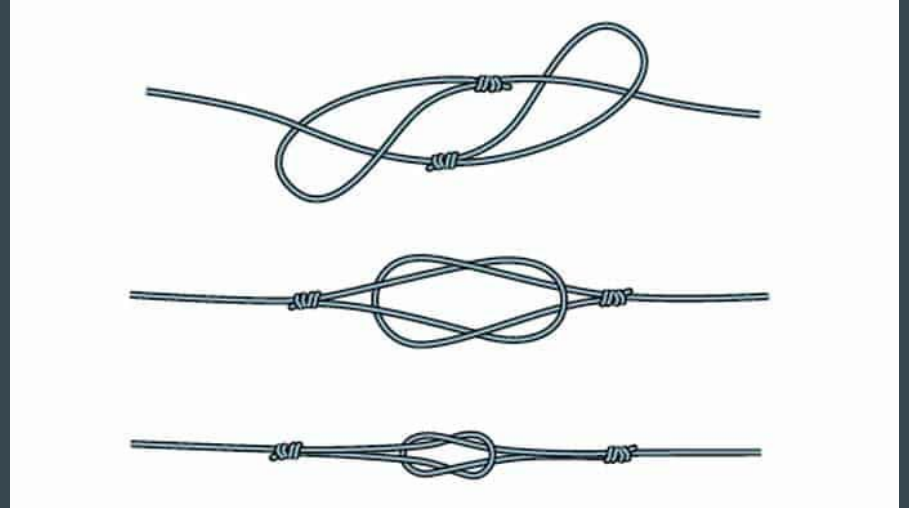
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The Rod Style Determines the Leader Set Up

Oversized Rollers

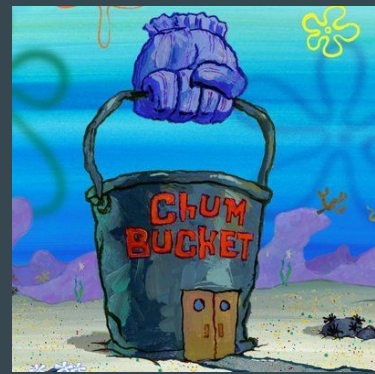
- Loop Wind - On Leader through swivel
- Crimp 240# Spro Power Swivel to Main Line
- Swivel can be reeled through guides
- Do NOT have to splice an end loop in mainline
- Easy to Replace Wind Ons



Wind On Leaders → Reel to the Stop



Other Gear Before You Go



Let's Go!!! → Step 1 Get Your Permit

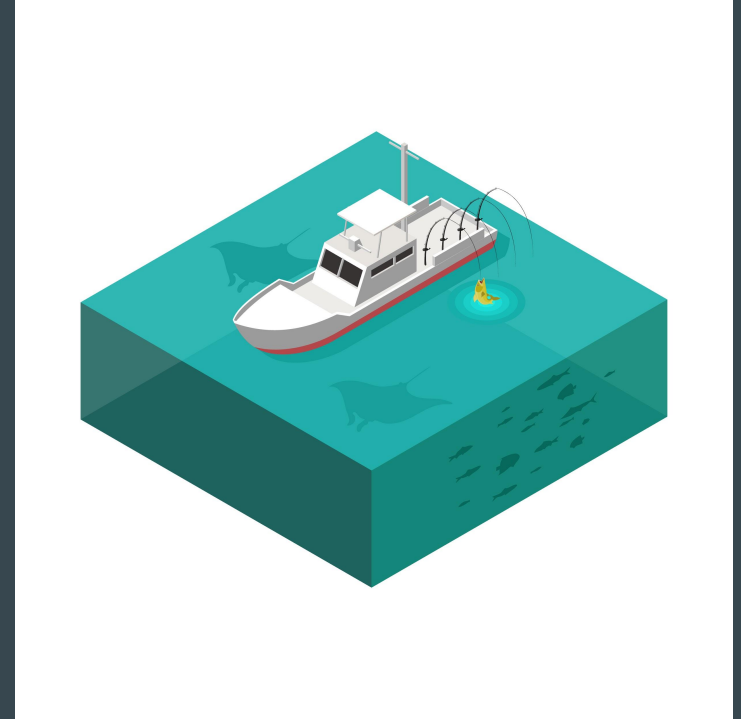
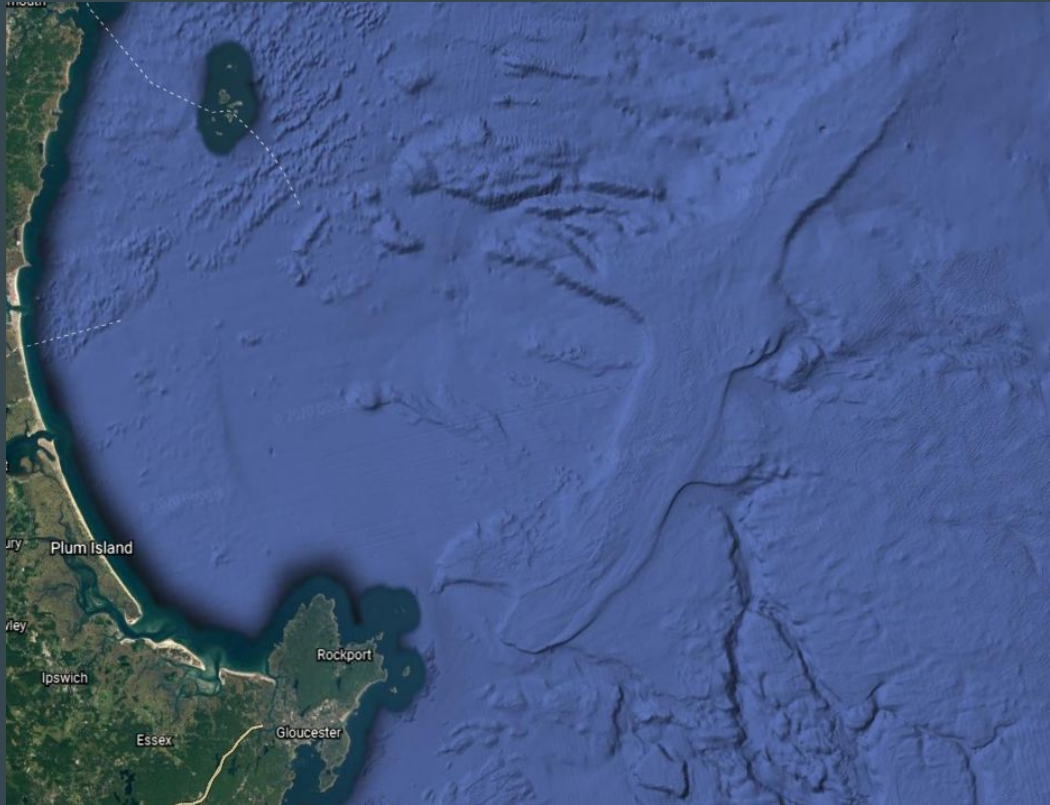
Boat Must Have NOAA HMS Permit
with Shark Endorsement

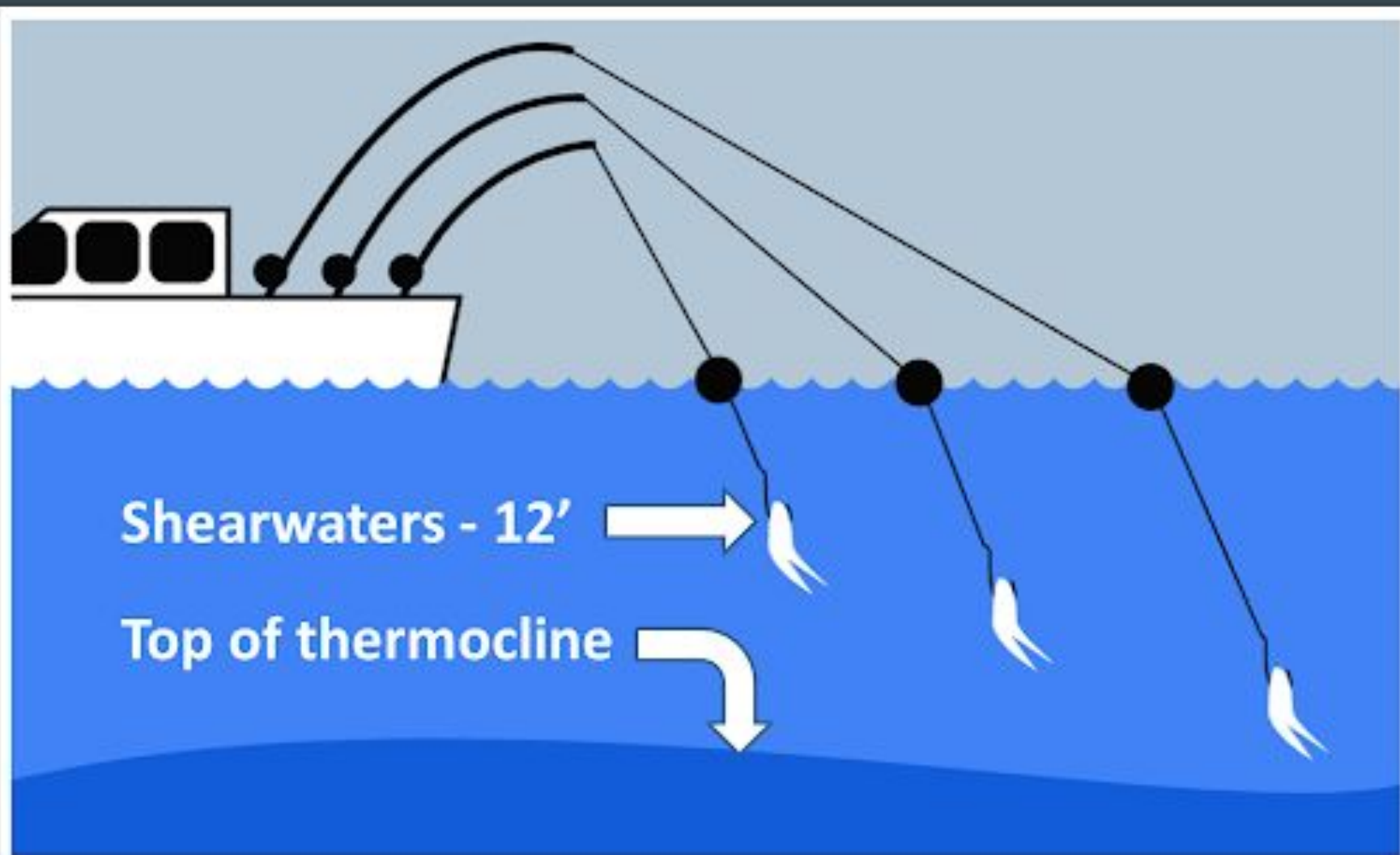
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- Watch a video on shark identification
- Take a test on shark rules



Step 3 → Consider your drift and Jump Starting Your Slick





A Bit on Bait

- Fresh is best
- I like small pieces of bait
 - Butterflied Baits
 - Filets/Chunks
 - Live Bait -- Herring/Macs
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Step 6 → Hooked Up! Angling and Driving the Boat



Deck is to be clear ALL DAY

Bait gets hit

- One person on rod keeping line tight
- One get into harness
- One start boat and reel in all lines in front of the line that is hit (other lines can wait)

Angler gets set in a corner (I prefer port)

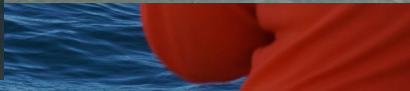
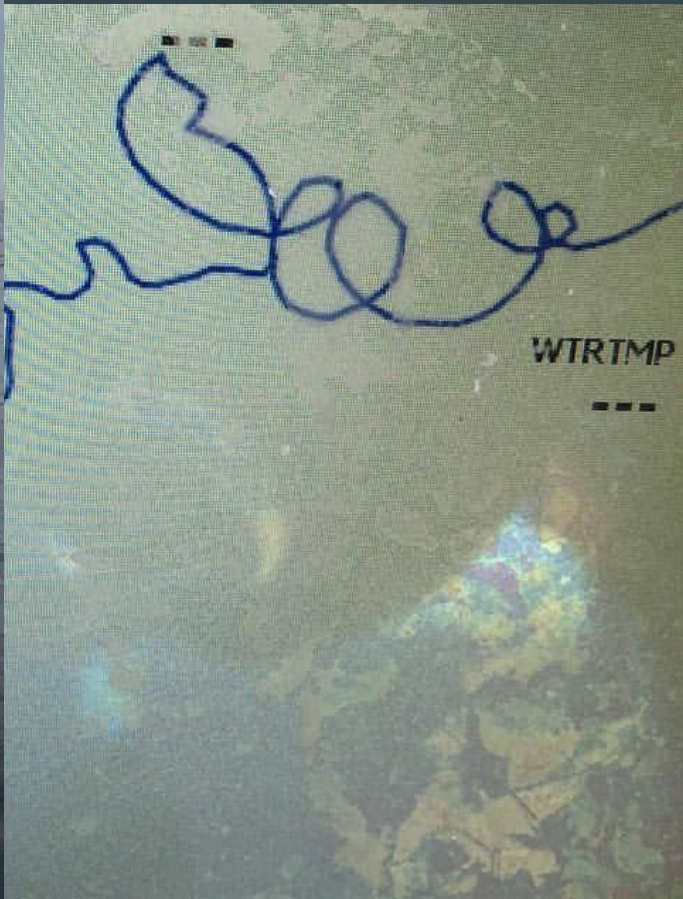
- Keep line tight
- COMMUNICATE with Capt.
- Stay Square and Shuffle

Capt

- Eyes on line and angler
- Keep angler in ONE corner
- Turn into the fish
- Cut Wire

Mate

- Keep deck clear / move rods to bow
- Communicate
- Keep eyes on angler
- Leader fish



Step 7 → End Game Release



Step 8 → End Game Kill



- Have a plan and assign jobs
- Don't be a googan and kill a blue shark
- Don't kill anything too huge
- Safety, Safety, Safety

The Process

1. Dart
2. Fly Gaff
3. Tail Rope
4. Drag Backwards - Rake gills
5. Drag Backwards
6. Drag Backwards

Few More Tips

- Should I stay or should I go?
 - Power chumming your way
- Changes baits depths based on action...lots of adjusting
- Trolling Motor has saved my ass quite a few times

Thank You

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