

Fish

Skin mount

Do not gut the fish. If you can not take your fish immediately to the taxidermist, wrap it in a very wet towel and put it in a plastic bag, making sure all the fins are flat against the fish's body and freeze it. A fish frozen with this method can be kept in the freezer for months.

Reproductions

Take measurements down the side of your fish from tail to (closed) mouth. Then measure the girth around the largest part of the belly.

Note: A fish will lose its coloration shortly after being caught so it's always a good idea to take a good color photograph of your fish immediately after the catch to enable the taxidermist to duplicate the color as closely as possible.