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## Instructions for: **Rittel's Bird Tan (BIRD-10)**

Rittel's Bird Tan product produces an excellent tannage for bird skins. It actually tans and lends strength to the skin. The bird skin will whiten out upon drying and your stitches will not tear out easily. It eliminates the bird skin turning brittle with age and deteriorating. Bird tan is an environmentally friendly product. It is non-hazardous.

Rittel recommends the following method be used for the best results with this product.

1. Wash the bird skin in a bath of Rittel's RD-601 and cool water. Use 2 capfuls of RD-601 to every 1 gallon of water. RD-601 is also an excellent blood remover, so be sure that you scrub away any blood stains at this time. Rinse.
2. If necessary – Now degrease the bird skin in a bath of Rittel's SS-618 and cool water. Use 9 table-spoons of Super Solvent to every 1 gallon of water. Allow the skin to soak for 30 minutes. Rinse.
3. Allow the skin to drain for 10-20 minutes.
4. Mix 1 part Bird Tan to 1 part cool water. Apply the Bird Tan tanning solution to all the flesh areas. Use a paint brush as an applicator. Cover the inside of the skin thoroughly, then fold it flesh to flesh and allow the solution to penetrate for 3-4 hours. Also inject the feet areas with Bird Tan. Rinse with cool water briefly after 3-4 hours.
5. Tumble
6. Freeze until later or mount.

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