

The Magnet Fisherman's Official Guide

Preface: This relatively new sport of Magnet Fishing is an up and coming sport for all ages and genders. Many people are now enjoying the sport as a way of relaxation and some are actually making a pretty good living doing it. Young and old are now putting their old fishing poles on the shelf for this new and exciting sport. If you've never heard of Magnet Fishing, don't be surprised, it's not about

catching the biggest bass or trout anymore, in fact there are no real fish even involved. Today's new sport can catch an assortment of things much more interesting than the traditional gill breathing animal. Everything from bicycles to lawn chairs to car parts to weapons. Anything made of metal is an option in this sport. Anything discarded into small streams, rivers, ponds and even oceans, as long as they it's made of metal it's are part of the hunt. Basically, the magnet fisherman is equipped with a very strong magnet disc attached to a long rope. In the following pages you will learn many trade secrets to successful magnet fishing that you won't learn anywhere else.

The Setup

There are a few things you will need to begin your journey into the world of magnet fishing.

The magnet: The magnet that you choose is very important as there are some on the market that are better than

others. Be very careful in choosing the correct magnet and make sure that you get one that is accurately advertised with the amount of weight bearing strength that it has. There's nothing in magnet fishing more frustrating than getting a hit on a real find, only to see it fall off the magnet when you attempt to pull it out of the water. Strength is extremely important to the magnet fisherman.

We also recommend using a magnet that has a very solid frame around it and also one where the rope can be attached in the middle of the top of the housing, preferably through a well-constructed "eye bolt". There shouldn't be any play in the bolt with the housing.



The Rope: Many magnet fishermen will tell you that the rope can be as important as the magnet choice. You can have the best magnet on the end of your rope and if your rope fails in some way, you

could be out of luck, money and most of all, your

quality magnet. We recommend using a nylon-based rope and not the plastic-based rope. Plastic based rope can quickly fray and fail not to mention the fraying can be very detrimental to the hands when pulling back in your catch. Nylon based rope is also better for using in water which is proven by water skiing and also wake boarding, because it just lasts longer. It's also easier to store and will prove to have less tangles. When attaching the rope to the magnet, make sure to securely tie the proper knot that will keep your rope attached at all times.



The Gloves: There are many magnet fishermen that don't wear any type of gloves, but we completely support the use of some type of glove for this sport.

Gloves are very valuable pieces of this experience for many reasons. Many of the

finds that you will reap will have jagged edges on them and those can be very sharp to the skin. Wearing the proper gloves is simply a no brainer when it comes to the safety of this sport. There will be times when you'll want to venture into waters that are very unclean because let's face it, those are some of the places where your best finds can often be found. Many people will discard things into swampy areas and long-standing water ways. These waters can have much in the way of bacteria in them that wouldn't be conducive to your skin especially if you have any open wounds. Wearing the proper gloves can protect your skin from bacteria that could cause some serious health issues to the fisherman.

Wearing a glove is much more comfortable to the fisherman also, as it keeps the hands clean and warm while your pulling that dirty rope in.

We recommend a rubber-based glove that at least covers the wrists. One that would reach up the arm to the elbow would even be better. A glove that fits snug is also the best as it would prevent any of the water from entering the glove area. The rubber-based type glove is also beneficial in the event that if it's dropped into the water it will float until it can be retrieved.

The Retrieval Pan: Many Magnet Fisherman, believe it or not, have not even thought this deep into the sport yet, but having a proper pan or bucket or something to keep the small stuff in can be very important. Let's say you pull in a catch that has twenty coins on the magnet and also a ring and maybe even a couple of pieces of scrap metal. This type of catch is not unheard of in the least. You're going to need a place to separate these items that will be clean and at the same time be a place where you can find them again when it's time to pack up for the day. If you just lay them on the ground and hope to know where you laid them when it's time to pick everything up. You wouldn't be surprised at how easy it is to misplace where you put them. If you had a dedicated container for these items they would be much safer in the long run.

We actually recommend using several types of containers for storage. The ideal way would be to only have to carry one item with you, so we recommend a plastic open container somewhat like the following where you could put the smaller ones in it for transport along with your magnets and rope.

Once you're at the fishing hole you can open your containers and have them ready for the smaller treasures. Having some fresh water to use for cleaning purposes is also a plus even though you can wait till you get home to do the clean up of the items you keep.

The Cleanup: When it comes to clean up, this might be a good time to talk a little bit about magnet fishing etiquette. Yes, there is such a thing. During your fishing expedition you will obviously catch some things that you will want to throw back in just like when catching a fish that you don't think measures up to your standards. We ask that as good magnet fishermen, that you refrain from throwing anything back into the water that you catch. Magnet fishing is not only fun to do, but it is also helping the environment when you don't throw your catch back in. Please be responsible magnet fishermen and dispose of your bad catches into the proper trash cans. The worst thing you could do as a magnet fisherman is catch a bunch of garbage and leave it on the side of the road or throw it back in where

someone could be injured by it. Not only is it an eye sore to the environment, but it can be dangerous as well. Good magnet fishermen are like angels to the environment and can do a lot of good if they are fishing responsibly. If you find that your catching more bad stuff than good and it's starting to heap up beside you, we recommend you take a small break and dispose of the bad stuff before continuing to fish. This will help you not have to carry so much to the trash and will make your experience more fun in the long run.

Old towels/Hand Cleaner/Brush Plastic

Bag: These items can also be very beneficial as well. When cleaning both your catches and also your materials, it's important to have the tools necessary to do so. Once you're done fishing for the day, you should always take the time to clean your materials especially before you load everything back into your vehicle. Take the time to clean off your magnet using a brush and some cleaning solution. Towel dry everything so that your equipment is

ready for your next expedition. Store your wet rope in a plastic bag to alleviate water in your vehicle and once you get back home, take it out and allow it to air dry.

Well that's your materials, it's time to go fishing!!!!!!

Picking the best spot: Picking the best spot to do your magnet fishing can be quite different than picking the best body of water for going after the biggest bass. The best magnet fishing can sometimes be found in the most undesirable waters. When looking for your spot, keep in mind that a few things should be considered. Look for areas that are frequently visited by the general population such as streams and ponds near parks and recreational areas. You can also do well in isolated waters because many people will use those to throw their undesirables away.

It's very important if possible, to choose a body of water that doesn't have much undergrowth in it to hang up the line. Try choosing a water source no deeper than five to seven feet, as any deeper will

take up too much of your rope to really cast any distance. If you want to fish in deeper waters, it would be wise to do so from a boat or an over -hang of some type. Bear in mind that fishing from a boat will limit the size of your catch and it's storage though it can also be a great way to fish. Remember as noted before, some water may be pretty undesirable to fish in, but may hold the best treasures. Some of the best finds such as hand guns, knives and even more valuable things have been caught in swampy unclean polluted water. This is where your materials we talked about earlier will come in very handy.

Proper Grip: It's very important to properly grip the rope before the actual cast. You want to make sure that your less dominant hand is securely fastened to the rope so as not to lose your rope with the cast. Allow your dominant hand to do the casting. During your prep for casting, allow your non dominant hand that is securing the rope to have plenty of room to the side of your body so as to leave enough room for the remainder of the rope to

flow with the cast unimpeded by your side or anything else. We recommend not holding the actual magnet in the hand as that takes the hand away from the rope itself and leads to a greater chance of dropping your magnet into the water along with the rope. With your casting hand in the higher position with regards to the non-dominant hand, you are now ready to begin your cast safely.

Making the first cast: It's very important as in fish fishing, to know how to cast your line. With that being said you obviously would never try to cast your magnet line like the tradition fishing rod cast. You want to always underhand your cast like you would to throw a softball pitch. Throwing it any other way could be very dangerous, as you might accidentally hit someone or even yourself by throwing it over handed. You can also lose your grip on the rope with an over handed cast throw. Then you'll find yourself trying to recover your rope as well. The best cast is done by placing one foot in front of the other one depending upon if you're right or left handed. You will place the foot opposite to your

throwing hand in the upward position while the throwing hand foot is place to the rear of the body. The look would be similar to that of rolling a bowling ball. You want the throwing hand foot out of the way of the magnet during the toss so that the motion will not be impeded by the leg. In other words, get the throwing side of your body out of the way of the forward motion of the magnet as it begins its launch. Nothing hurts more than being hit by the magnet. You want your throw to be in a loft position so that it gets as much distance as you want. Make your throw as even as you can so as not to tangle the rope on the launch. Once the magnet has left your hand during the launching, concentrate on the other hands position on the rope and keep a tight grip so as not to lose it into the water.

Reeling In The Catch: Once the magnet strikes the water and you're ready to reel it in, do so slowly so you can feel the areas that is catching on something. Give those areas the time to collect all of the goodies that it can. This is about the only area where magnet fishing is like traditional fishing,

meaning you often need to give the fish a chance to really take the bait.

Once you can detect that you have something collected, be careful not to pull the rope back in too quickly, or you might just hit a branch or something else that would release it from the grip. Once your magnet has reached the surface of the water, take great care in retrieving it, so you don't lose your catch.

When reeling in your rope keep your rope in a circular position to ward off any tangles. Some anglers will use the technique of rapping the rope around the opposite hand and elbow. Using this technique though is not advisable if you don't want to get wet. There have been some that have purchased the reel type of device that usually has an extension cord on it and have used it for their magnet fishing line. They don't get tangles and they actually have a handle to reel it back in.

At this point you have your catch back to the land and you're ready to clean it and place it in its proper place until the expedition is over. Use your equipment to take care of it and remember, DON'T THROW BACK UNWANTED ITEMS. Be a good neighbor and citizen.

With all that being said, you should be ready to schedule your first magnet fishing trip and delve into a new world of fun and adventure. Our hope is that you will find the joy that so many others are finding in this new sport and tell others about it.

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