

## **Bird & Fish Tan**

Liquid tanning agent developed specifically for tanning birds and fish skins for taxidermy use. Can be used on many different species.

To avoid eye and skin irritation, splash proof goggles and rubber gloves should be worn. For best results, the oil and skin should both be at room temperature, 65°F or above, when applying.

## **Directions for Tanning Birds:**

**Step 1:** Once the bird has been skinned, remove as much meat and membrane as possible.

**Step 2:** For <u>non-greasy</u> skins such as grouse and pheasants, wash in a detergent such as **Detergent SR-11**. For <u>greasy</u> skins such as ducks and geese, wash in a solution of **D-Solv 60 Degreaser**. See the separate directions for these products.

For extremely greasy skins, brush on a heavy application of **D-Solv 60 Degreaser** and allow to soak in for 30 minutes.

**Step 3:** After the skin has been fleshed and cleaned, soak it for 3-4 hours in the following solution: 3 oz. of **Bird & Fish Tan** per each gallon of room temperature water.

Use a plastic or rubber soaking container, not metal. Once tanned, remove the skin from the solution and lightly rinse with clean water, towel dry and fluff feathers. Skins can also be soaked in odorless mineral spirits to help fluff the feathers. Proceed with mounting.

Alternative for Step 3 Tanning Birds: For a quicker process, after Step 1 and Step 2 have been completed, brush on a mixture of 1 part Bird & Fish Tan LC to 3 parts water. Fold skin flesh side to flesh side for 1 hour prior to mounting.

## **Directions for Tanning Fish:**

Step 1: Once the fish has been skinned, remove as much meat and membrane as possible.

Step 2: Skins such as bass and pike that are <u>NOT greasy</u>, wash in a detergent such as **Detergent SR-11**. For <u>greasy skins</u> such as trout and salmon, wash in a solution of **D-Solv 60 Degreaser**.

Excessively greasy skins may be soaked in odorless mineral spirits prior to washing with **D-Solv 60 Degreaser**.

**Step 3:** After the skin has been fleshed and cleaned, soak it for 3-4 hours in the following solution: 4 oz. of **Bird & Fish Tan** per each gallon of room temperature water. Once tanned, remove the skin from the solution and lightly rinse. Proceed with mounting.

**First Aid:** Do not get in eyes, on skin or on clothing. Causes eye irritation and may irritate skin causing dryness. *If in Eyes:* Rinse with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present. *If on Skin and Clothing:* Wash skin with soap and water. Remove and wash contaminated clothing. If skin or eye irritation persists, get medical attention. Store product closed in original container in a cool, dry area. Keep out of the reach of children.

**Disclaimer:** Being that bird and fish skins are a natural material, susceptible to varying degrees of deterioration, experience of the user, and used under conditions beyond our control, as seller, we make no guarantee or warranty expressed or implied as to the use of this product. All information contained here is accurate to the best of our knowledge and good faith and is based on thorough testing.

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