

Pickle-X

A new concept for pickling hides and skins. A powder pickling agent that works at a higher pH.

- Provides for a smoother and easier shave
- Excellent hair setting ability

Directions:

Wear mask, goggles, and rubber gloves to prevent inhalation of chemical dust, and any eye or skin irritation.

Step 1: Prepare the hide/skin by fleshing, salting and rehydrating. It is important to rehydrate a salted skin prior to putting it in the pickle, as this will open up the pores to allow better penetration of the Pickle-X.

Step 2: In a plastic or rubber container (do not use metal) large enough to completely submerge the hide and allow it to move freely, mix 3-4 ounces (approx. 1/4 cup) of Pickle-X and .55 lb (approx. 3/4 heaping cup) of fine salt per each gallon of **HOT** water. Stir to dissolve and allow the solution to cool to room temperature. Never place a hide or skin in hot water as this can cause bacteria growth and loosen the hair. The pH range of the solution will vary between 3.4 to 3.5. It is important to keep it at this pH, so adjust as needed. Soak the hide/skin for 24 hours.

Step 3: Next drain until just damp and shave. Do not discard the Pickle-X solution as it will be re-used. If you see a bluish color while shaving, place the hide/skin back in the Pickle-X solution until it is white all the way through. The time it takes to pickle the hide thoroughly will depend upon the water temperature, thickness and density of the hide.

After shaving, place the hide/skin back in the pickle solution to soak for another 24 hours. This will allow any excess product to be absorbed. If the hide/skin still feels thick at this point, it can be shaved again.

Step 3: After soaking for a second 24 hours, gradually adjust the pH to the desired level. The pH level needed will depend upon the tanning method you use. Soak at the desired pH for 4 hours.

Step 4: Remove and drain, then proceed to the tanning process of your choice.

NOTE: Do NOT use with other acids.

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 and easy to do. *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.

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