

2015-2016 OHIO FISHING REGULATIONS

# HOW TO: SLIP BOBBER

Slip bobbers are an effective way of fishing deeper waters where you still want the use of a strike indicator. The setup is fairly simple. On your line, you will need to put (in order):

- A bobber stop, whether it is a piece of line or rubber stop, 1-2 feet above the desired depth of the hook;
- A single bead;
- The slip bobber; Make sure to use the smallest bobber possible to ensure that the fish do not feel the resistance of a larger bobber when they hit;
- Adequate weight to make the line slip freely through the bobber;
- Your favorite bait or jig.

To set the depth that you want to fish, slide the bobber stop up to the correct distance on the line. Cast it out, and you will see the line slide through the bobber.

If it is fishing correctly, the bobber stop and bead will sit on top of the bobber, and the bobber will stand up.

If the bobber lays flat on the surface of the water, either you do not have enough weight to make the line slide or your bait is on the bottom. Adjust the weights or line accordingly, so the bobber is upright.

Slip bobbers act just like regular bobbers when you get a strike. Once the bobber slides around or goes under, you have a fish biting. Set the hook!

Now you are set to give it a try! Slip bobbers are an ideal solution if you want to fish for suspended crappie in the summer or for catfish in deeper waters in the fall.

