



Why Are Fish So Gullible?

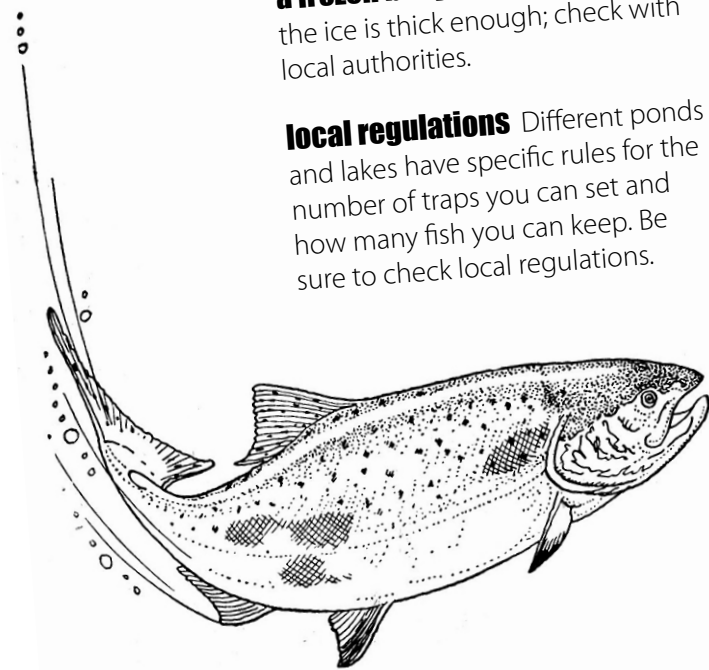
[They fall for things hook, line, and sinker!]

Beat cabin fever with an activity only winter offers—ice fishing. Plan ahead by getting your license and traps in order, and when the lakes and ponds freeze, you'll be ready to drop a line. Here's what you'll need:

a fishing license Check with your state's fish and wildlife department.

a frozen body of water Be sure the ice is thick enough; check with local authorities.

local regulations Different ponds and lakes have specific rules for the number of traps you can set and how many fish you can keep. Be sure to check local regulations.



warm clothes Bundle up by dressing in layers, wearing warm socks, and insulated boots. Cover exposed skin with a hat that comes down over your ears as well as gloves (or mittens) to keep your fingers warm, and avoid frostbite.

re-fuel Be sure to take along snacks and plenty of water to stay hydrated.

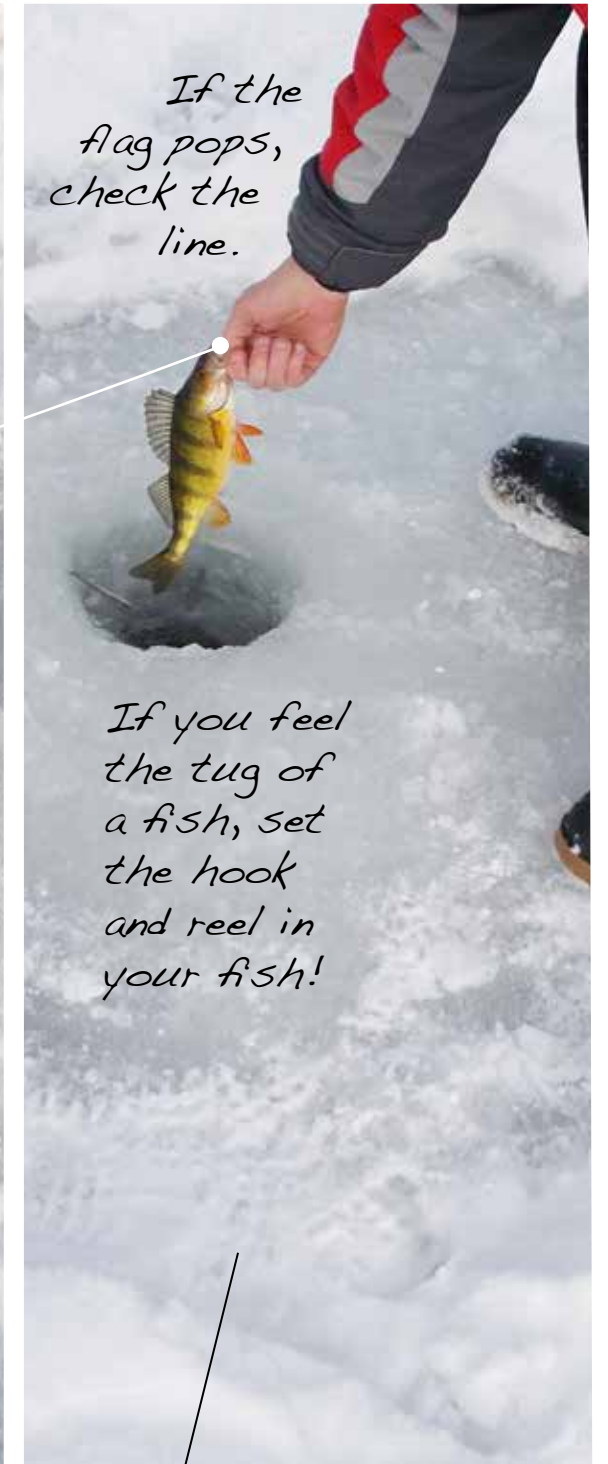
supplies
- a chisel to cut holes
- ice fishing traps
- fishing line and hooks
- bait



Use a chisel or power auger to cut holes.



Bait the hook, put the trap over the hole, and set your flag.



If the flag pops, check the line.

If you feel the tug of a fish, set the hook and reel in your fish!