



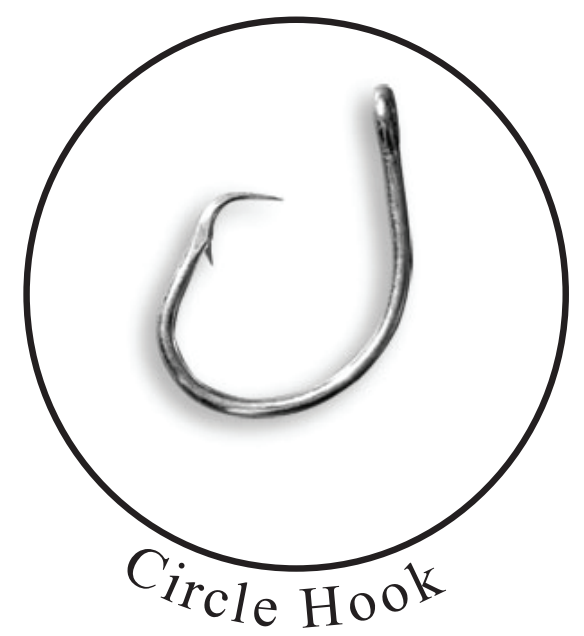
DOLPHIN-FRIENDLY FISHING TIPS



Help Protect Wild Dolphins While Fishing

Dolphin interactions with recreational fishing gear are on the rise. Here are some tips to help maintain your catch and gear, while helping to prevent serious or even fatal injuries to dolphins.

- 1) **Never Feed Wild Dolphins - It's Harmful and Illegal**
- 2) **Reuse Leftover Bait - Freeze It For Later Or Share It With Your Fishing Neighbor**
- 3) **Reel In Your Line If Dolphins Are Near**
- 4) **Change Locations If Dolphins Show Interest In Bait Or Catch**
- 5) **Release Catch Quietly Away From Dolphins When And Where It Is Possible To Do So Without Violating Any State Or Federal Fishing Laws Or Regulations**
- 6) **Inspect Gear And Terminal Tackle To Avoid Unwanted Line Breaks**
- 7) **Use Circle And Corrodible Hooks (Non-Stainless Steel) To Reduce Injuries To Wildlife**
- 8) **Never Cast Towards Dolphins**
- 9) **Stay At Least 50 Yards Away From Dolphins**
- 10) **Recycle Fishing Line and Stash Your Trash**



To report feeding or harassment of wild dolphins, call the NOAA Enforcement Hotline: 1-800-853-1964

To report an injured or entangled dolphin, or other marine mammal, call:

1-877- WHALE HELP (1-877-942-5343)

