



Safe Handling and Release of Lake Sturgeon



- Do not drop the fish on the bottom of the boat.
- **Do Not** hold sturgeon in a vertical position by their head, gills, or tails. **Always** support sturgeon horizontally.
- Never touch the fish's eyes or gills.
- Minimize the time the sturgeon is out of the water.
- Gently return sturgeon to the water and use two people for large fish.
- Revive sturgeon by supporting it in the water until it is ready to swim off on its own power. This could take a few minutes or more than half an hour.
- Some sturgeon may be too big to safely bring into your boat. Please consider releasing them without boating them.



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