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Ezy off - the fishing solution

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Abstract

Ezy Off is a fish hook removing device created to easily hold a fish during the hook removal process. It was designed to minimize stress to the angler and more importantly the fish, a big plus for catch and release. It also protects the angler against any nasty spikes, or gill rakes and avoids getting fish slime on their hands. Indeed the angler's hands need never touch the fish during the entire hook removal process. The Ezy Off is a strip of neoprene material with the corners cut at angles. These strips are then joined to form off-circular cones. It comes in three sizes to suit small medium and large varieties of fish. Most fish can be released without any human contact, which is great for both parties.
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1. Specifications:

What is it?
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Note: Further variation in sizes will be produced as required using the same format.

How does it work?
In the process of landing a fish, you hold the fishing line in one hand and form a loop in it about 15 centimetres from the hook. You then push this loop through the Ezy Off so it comes out through the smaller hole. The loop is then held with one hand whilst the other slides the Ezy Off down the line, past the hook and fish’s mouth, until it sits around the fish’s head. Once the Ezy Off is in place, because it covers the eye area, it essentially acts as a blindfold. The result is that the fish is instantly calmed and usually remains motionless until released.

The fish can now be held in the Ezy Off without disturbing its protective layers, thus ensuring its well-being and a safe release. It also protects the angler against any nasty spikes, or gill rakes and avoids getting fish slime on their hands. Indeed the angler’s hands need never touch the fish during the entire hook removal process.

To release from the Ezy Off simply hold the fish by the Ezy Off with its tail pointing down, either just above the surface of the water for a quick release, or above the esky for a keeper. By slowly releasing grip pressure whilst keeping hold of the Ezy Off, the fish just slides out. Most fish can be released without any human contact, which is great for both parties.
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Claims:

- Ezy Off is a fish hook removal device that pacifies the fish, rendering it virtually motionless during the hook removal process.

- Ezy Off is a fish hook removal device that requires little (if any) human contact with the fish during the hook removal process.

- Ezy Off is a fish hook removal device that allows anglers to retrieve their hooks with minimal risk of contaminating or disturbing the fish’s many protective layers, thus ensuring a safer “catch and release” for the fish.

- Ezy Off is a fish hook removal device that protects the angler from any nasty spikes, or gill rakes during the hook removal process.

- Ezy Off is a fish hook removal device that provides greater access to fishing for those who prefer to “not touch” the fish with their bare hands.