

Huron, Ohio Walleye Education Weekend Equipment List

Rods/Reels/Line

The most productive method of fishing this time of year is trolling crankbaits in open water. To do this Line Counter reels on trolling rods of 7'6" to 8'6" are preferred.

For fishing line, we like low stretch monofilament with a diameter of .013" to match the dive curves on the Precision Trolling App and books. Remember, line diameter has a direct effect on how deep baits will dive and during this trip we will be sharing fish catching details among our group and having the same diameter line as others on the trip makes it easier to duplicate successful presentations. Our favorite line is Sunline Super Natural mono in 16lb test (.013" diameter). Other lines with the right diameter include Berkley XT 10lb, Berkley Sensation 14lb. Also be sure to have your line counters calibrated (watch how here [How to calibrate trolling rods](#)). Also check out how the Walleye 101 crew likes to rig their trolling rods here [Secret of the bead](#). We will have line available at the trip to purchase and an area to calibrate your reels will be set up at the boat storage area each morning starting Thursday.

Lures

Long, slow wobbling crankbaits are best this time of year. Some of the most productive crankbaits over the years have been the following ...

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reef Runner 800	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Smithwick Perfect 10
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Smithwick Top 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rapala Deep Husky Jerk (DHJ) 12 and 14
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rapala Deep Tail Dancer (TDD) 9 and 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Deep Bandit Walleye
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Storm Deep Thunderstick	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yo-Zuri Crystal Walleye Mino 4 3/8"
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reef Runner 600 (Deep Little Ripper)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Berkley Flicker Mino 9 and 11

Lance discusses his favorite lures and colors in his article [Fall Crank Bait Options](#).

Planer Boards

Inline Planer boards make it easier to use multiple lines and keep them tangle free. Most of the Walleye 101 group prefers the Off-Shore OR-12 Inline Planer board with the Tattle Flag kit. When using crankbaits without weight it is important to set your spread properly. Check out Lance's article covering the correct way to set a spread of unweighted crankbaits here...[Crankbait Trolling Spread Basics](#).

Terminal Tackle/Other Accessories

Don't forget to bring your Warrior Flutter and Little Warrior spoons, leadcore line, inline and snap weights and divers. Adding weight in front of a crankbait can get it deeper with less line out, make it easier to set and retrieve and get shallow crankbaits to deeper depths. In some cases weight in front of a crankbait will make it more effective than running on a flat line. Lance discusses using crankbaits with weight [Five reasons to use weights with crankbaits](#).

Inline or snap weights in 1-4 ounces are used occasionally to get baits deeper and don't forget good quality rain gear, warm clothes and boots. Also bring you fish cleaning accessories. We will have a fish cleaning area with water and electricity set up every day but you need to bring your own knives and bags.

For more information, visit the FAQ list here [Fall Trip FAQ](#).

If you need to purchase any tackle/line for the trip we have set up a special section on the Walleye 101 store. You can shop at [Huron Tackle Store](#).