

Basic's on Running Inline Boards

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Search thru the articles on <http://www.offshoretackle.com/articles.html> lots of info there.

The inside (closest to the boat) should be the deepest running bait. and usually the most rearward rod. the front rod will be the outside board and the shallowest running bait. I prefer offshore boards.

<http://www.franksgreatoutdoors.com/fishing/trolling-gear/planer-boardsaccessories/side-planer-left-port.html>

you need 2 left and 2 right. I change out the releases to these.

<http://www.franksgreatoutdoors.com/fishing/trolling-gear/planer-boardsaccessories/adjustable-superclip.html>

These will hold any type line, mono, braid, Fireline etc. and are the easiest to open with light finger pressure. even a young kid can open these with ease.

Your first bait/board in the water will be the farthest out and shallowest. keep your boards separated by the visual width of your boat when looking at them.. a lot less tangles.

There are some rules on when to pick up a rod to take a fish, but there are sooo many variables. that's part of the learning curve. it is easier to learn to "read" a board when there are other boards running in the same line. weeds, fish etc usually pulls a board back out of formation/alignment.

starting at, let's say, 1.5 mph GPS for crankbaits. You do very slow "S" turns. The outside of the turn, baits will speed up and the inside will slow down. this helps you figure out what speed the fish want. You can make your own tattle tale flag kits. cut a plastic washer out of a margarine lid or similar plastic lid, get some stainless steel welding wire from any welding shop. 2 pieces for 4 boards is plenty. around .040. you should have the rest. beads, stainless snaps, and regular rubber bands. just remove the small eyelet from the front side rear where the rear clip is attached and screw that eyelet into the rear of the board. there's a hole already there for it. Check the article pages on http://www.dwfonline.com/Articles/tattle_flags.htm for photo's of my set up.