Save Sea Turtles, Sawfish, and Dolphins

While Fishing, Following These Tips:

• Report injured, entangled, hooked, or stranded dolphins and sea turtles to the 24-hour hotline:

1-877-942-5343

Download the Dolphin & Whale 911 app on your iPhone or Android for reporting marine mammals.

- Never cast towards dolphins, sea turtles, or sawfish.
- Change location or reel in your line if a dolphin, sea turtle, or sawfish shows interest in your bait or catch.
- Release catch away from dolphins when and where possible without violating any state or federal fishing regulations.
- Do not feed or attempt to feed wild dolphins or sea turtles - it's harmful and illegal.
- Do not dispose of leftover bait or cleaned fish remains in water.
- Use circle or corrodible (non-stainless steel) hooks to reduce injury.
- Use recycling bins for fishing line and do not throw trash or unwanted line in the water.
- If you hook a SEA TURTLE, immediately call the 24-hour hotline at 1-877-942-5343 and follow response team instructions.

If you cannot reach a response team, follow these guidelines to reduce injuries:

- 1) If possible, use a net or lift by the shell to bring the turtle on pier or land. Do NOT lift by hook or line.
- 2) Cut the line close to the hook, removing as much line as possible.
- 3) Release turtle.
- If you hook a SAWFISH:
 - 1) Do not remove the fish from the water.
 - 2) Cut the line close to the hook.
 - 3) Release it as quickly as possible.
 - 4) Report it immediately to 1-941-255-7403.



