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### PROPER CARE OF FISH

Many anglers know little of the proper care of fish after it has been caught. The first step is to kill the fish by a blow on the back of the head. This is better than breaking the fish's neck, which makes the bones protrude so that the fish does not fry well.

When a fish is cleaned, if it is to be kept for a day or so, do not wash it in water. Simply draw the fish, removing the gills, leaving the head on, wipe it dry with a clean rag or leaves and keep it dry until ready to cook, then you can give it a good washing.

It is common practice among some anglers, when they return to camp, to place the fish in a pan of water after they have been cleaned. The fish spoil much sooner placed in water than if kept dry, and the flavor is better.