



# COYOTE FLASHER TECH SHEET

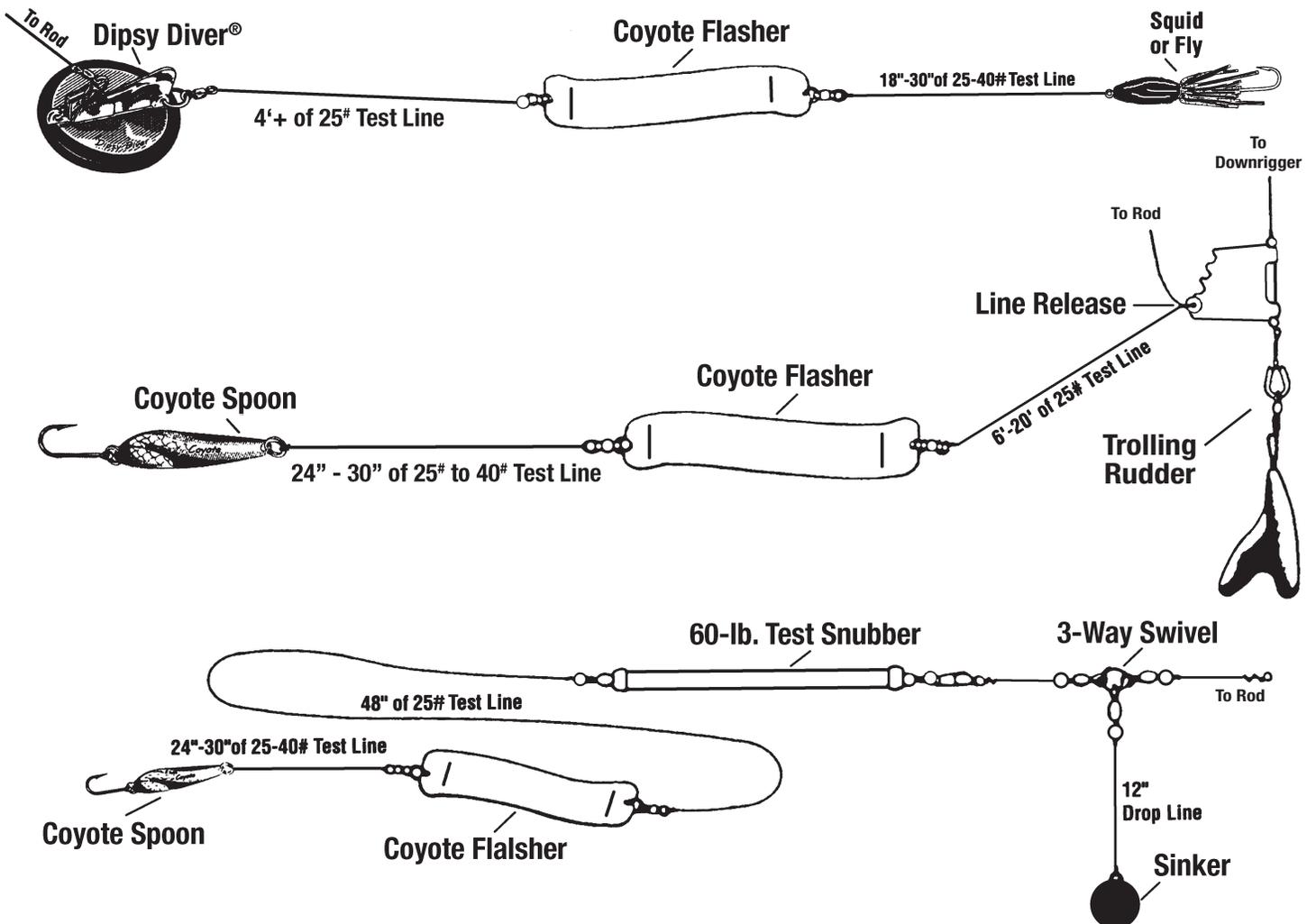
## TARGET BIGGER FISH

If you want to catch more and bigger fish the Coyote Flasher is the best deepwater trolling device ever designed for attracting and catching big fish like chinook and lake trout. It offers several advantages over other attractors, or not using one at all.

The Coyote Flasher pulls easily through the water and is made with premium welded rings and a ball-bearing swivel to eliminate line twist. There is several finishes available with features such as Fluorescent, Everglo, UV Bright and laminates in prism, holographic and crush glow.

When pulled through the water, at the correct speed, the Coyote Flasher develops a full 360-degree rotation. This large churning motion creates sonic vibration and horizontal flash, which will draw fish from farther away than other attraction devices. Even a dodger's side-to-side swaying action, although effective, cannot match the attraction of a Coyote Flasher.

Like other dodgers and flashers, the Coyote Flasher will impart action to your spoon, plug, fly or squid. This is no small benefit since fish can become bored quickly, lose interest, and leave without striking if your lure doesn't respond when chased. The unique erratic/pulsating action imparted to your lure by the Coyote Flasher will hold the fish's interest and prompt strikes.



You can adjust the amount of action this flasher adds to your lure by varying your leader length. A short leader (distance from flasher to lure) will impart a faster action (that coho like) to your bait than a longer one which might be of more interest to chinook or lake trout.

With flies and squids, your leader should be 18 to 22 inches and can be as short as 16 inches for coho. For spoons, your average leader length should be longer... 24 to 36 inches. These recommended leader lengths are for the 11-inch flasher. You can subtract 3 to 6 inches from these distances when rigging the smaller 8-inch Coyote Flasher.

Although the Coyote Flasher is available in two sizes, the larger 003 (11 inches) is the most effective model if you are deep trolling and interested in targeting big fish like chinook and Lake Trout. Because of this fact, many Great Lakes tournament anglers have made the Coyote Flasher a major part of their trolling arsenal.

When targeting chinook and lake trout (which can sometimes be timid about getting too close to large flashers they were initially attracted to) you might try a longer leader from your flasher to lure, 40 to 60 inches. Experimenting with a longer than normal leader can pay off, especially if the water you're fishing is clear.

Because the Coyote Flasher pulls easily through the water, as compared to metal flashers of similar size, it can be trolled in combination with diving planers like a size #1 Dipsy Diver®, 003 Magnum Dipsy Diver®, size #2 Deep Six or Double Deep Six. Of course it can also be rigged behind a downrigger or conventional weight set up.

If you run your Coyote Flasher behind a diving planer, make sure it's rigged at least 4 feet behind your diver. This will allow it the freedom to work (rotate) properly. If you are using downriggers, set the flasher at least 6 feet back. You can increase its attraction value and vibration even more by setting it 15 to 20 feet behind your downrigger release. If the water in the lake you frequent is unusually clear or the fish boat-shy, your Coyote Flasher may produce best when set 50 to 70 feet from your downrigger release mechanism. If you are using downriggers and the bite is unusually tough, try releasing your flasher from your downrigger and allowing it to swim to the surface naturally. After tripping, just place your rod in its holder and let your flasher and trailing lure swim upward.

The optimum trolling speed for the Coyote Flasher is generally faster than what is considered best for a dodger. (Dodger speeds average 1.5 to 2.0 mph). The 11-inch Coyote performs best at speeds between 2.0 and 2.6 mph. Some charter captains believe that 2.5 is the perfect speed for this flasher.

Although flies and squids are thought of first when considering the use of flashers, the Coyote Spoon is deadly when used in combination with the Coyote Flasher. They are made for each other, the Coyote Spoon's action is enhanced when fished in combination with the Coyote Flasher. When fishing large flashers, you should use a stout rod, level wind reel and at least 25-lb test monofilament line. The leader you use should be 25- to 40-lb. test. If you are concerned about using a heavier leader, remember that a clear leader is the most invisible to the fish. For almost complete invisibility, try fluorocarbon leaders. Premium fluorocarbon lines like Sufix® Castable Invisiline and 100% Fluorocarbon are a great choices for fishing with the Coyote Flasher.



### OTHER TIPS AND TECHNIQUES

The preferred water temperature for chinook and lake trout is from the middle 40s to 50s. During the summer months the lakes will stratify into temperature layers. Typically the right water temperature for chinook, lake trout and coho can be found in a band of cool water located 50 to 80 feet below the surface. The temperature break (where warm and cold thermocline water meet) can show up as a faint line on a quality depth finder. Try placing your lures close to, or in, the top few feet of this cold water layer. Keeping your flashers and lures at the right water depth is the key to maximizing their effectiveness, and may change depending on the time of year and where the fish's preferred water temperature is located. Controlling the exact depth of your gear can be best accomplished with a quality downrigger. You don't have to rig a rotating flasher on every line for them to influence your entire spread of lures. Try rigging one or two flashers to "call" fish into your gear. You might find that at times you only catch fish on the "clean" lines, but stop catching them if you remove your Coyote Flashers.

