

WHAT CAN I DO TO SAVE THE RIVER SPORT FISHES?

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Practice catch-and-release

- Release the small fish: give them a chance to grow
- Release the large fish: they carry strong genes, so let them reproduce more fish
- Eat fish only when necessary, so don't kill too much.

Protect the river environment

- Don't dirty the river
- Bring home the rubbish
- Don't throw any chemicals into the water

Be a role model

- Practice the above habits, even though others around you may not. Sooner or later, they will follow.
- If they ask you why you are doing it, then explain it to them, but without being condescending.

Influence your friends and family to do the same

- We need the critical mass. If there are enough people in the country practicing these ethics, the others will be influenced.

Report any cases of unscrupulous fish killing or river pollution/destruction

- Most rivers in our National Parks prohibit commercial fishing methods like netting, explosives, poisons etc. Report these cases to the local authorities, or to relevant NGO's like PeMM and MNS
- Stop buying river fishes, whether for food or your aquarium
- When the buying stops, the killing can too!

Help KAGUM

- Join us in our activities, or share your knowledge or opinions.
- Help us in cash or kind