

Cold Water Grub

During the cold water period a grub can be very effective bait. Cold water dictates a subtle and slow presentation as bass are less active. Use a grub like a Salty Fat Albert or Yamamoto Single Tail Grub both in 5" lengths and in shad, green or chartreuse/pepper color on a ¼ ounce jighead or Texas rig.

It can be used to cast to the top of a point, windy shoreline or main lake bar and then "slowly" drag it off the point or bar to deep water. It can be used to drop straight down the slope of the point / bar or slowly swim it back to the boat so it stays down deep for suspended bass. The grub has a very subtle action and the tail moves with a fluttering motion that mimics baitfish. The jig is really a form of a Texas rig and can be used throughout the year. Adding a blade jighead like a "Road Runner" adds a little flash to the bait and can trigger strikes that a plain jig may not.

This type of bait is easy to use and the easiest rod and reel combination is a spinning one. The lighter the line the deeper the drop and the less visible the line will be. Fluorocarbon is a good choice as a leader as it disappears in the water column.