

Appendix B

Recommended Traps, Sets, & Attractors



Note: The Belisle cable device is not legal to use in Michigan. Some species may not be trapped in Michigan and not all species are found in Michigan. Check the Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide for current regulations. Additional traps may be added as they are approved through the Best Management Practices (BMP). Check www.michigan.gov/dnr for more details.

Furbearer	Traps	Sets	Bait & Lure
Coyote	#1.5 - 3 Coil-spring Cable devices Belisle cable device	Dirt-hole, flat, post, cable restraints	Bait: Covered meat or fish Lure: Fox or coyote lure, urine
Red Fox	#1.5 - 3 Coil-spring Cable devices Belisle cable device	Dirt-hole, flat, post, cable restraints	Bait: Covered meat or fish Lure: Fox lure, urine
Gray Fox	#1 - 2 Coil-spring Cage trap Belisle cable device	Dirt-hole, flat, post, cable restraints	Bait: Covered meat, eggs, fish Lure: Fox lure, urine
Gray Wolf	Locking or powered cable devices. Check with wildlife agency for regulations and methods	Dirt-hole, flat, post, cable restraints	Bait: Covered meat Lure: Canine lure or urine
Swift/Kit Fox	#1.5-1.75 Coil-spring Cable devices	Dirt-hole, flat, post, cable restraints	Bait: Covered meat or fish Lure: Fox lure, urine
Arctic Fox	#1.5-1.75 Coil-spring Cable devices	Dirt-hole, flat, post, cable restraints	Bait: Covered meat or fish Lure: Fox lure, urine
Beaver	#330 Body-gripping traps 3/32" Cable devices Live traps #4 - 5 foothold traps (use in submersion sets only)	Climb out, scent mound, channel, open water beaver set, under-ice	Bait: Small sticks of poplar, willow, cottonwood Lure: Commercial or homemade castor scents
Muskrat	#110 - 120 Body-gripping traps #1 - 1.5 Long-spring Guarded long-spring Colony trap	Feedbed, trail, pocket, runway, floating	Bait: Apples, carrots, ear corn, turnip, orange peels Lure: Musk glands from male muskrats
Nutria	#1 - 1.5 Padded coil-spring Guarded long-spring Mid-size body-gripping Note: Brackish water weakens coilsprings. When trapping for fur, nutria under 12 pounds are released. When trapping for control, all are killed.	Runway, climb out	Bait and lure not effective
Bobcat	#1.5 - 3 Coil-spring, #3 Long-spring Belisle cable device	Dirt-hole, flat, post, cubby	Bait: Fish, beaver or rabbit meat Lure: Anise, catnip, fish oil, beaver castor, other glands, fox lure, urine
Canada Lynx	#330 Body-gripping traps #3 Long-spring Cable devices Belisle cable device	"Cubby" made from sticks in teepee shape against tree, trail set with cable devices	Bait: Fish, beaver or rabbit meat Lure: Anise, catnip, fish oil, beaver castor, other glands
Mink	#1 - 1.5 Foothold traps #110 - 160 Body-gripping traps Cage traps - 6x6x20"	Pocket, trail, cubby, channel, obstruction	Bait: Chunks of fish or fresh muskrat Lure: Mink/muskrat musk, scat, urine, fish oil

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River Otter	#220-330 Body-gripping #4 - 5 foothold traps	Otter latrine or channel sets	Bait: Fresh fish or muskrat Lure: None recommended
Fisher	#160 - 220 Body-gripping traps #1.5 - 2 Foothold Cage traps	Dirt-hole, cubby, leaning pole	Bait: Raccoon or porcupine meat, fish Lure: Fisher musk & urine, beaver castor, skunk essence
Marten	#1 Long-spring #120 Body-gripping trap	Cubby, running pole	Bait: Chunks of meat or fish, strawberry jam Lure: Skunk essence
Weasels	#1.5 Coil-spring, #0 - 1.5 Long- spring Victor rat trap #50 - 110 Body-gripping traps	Cubby, traps in boxes or hollow logs	Bait: Bloody meat or rabbit Lure: Weasel gland scent
Striped Skunk	#1 - 1.5 Long-spring or coil- spring Cage traps #160 - 220 Body-gripping traps	Dirt-hole, cubby	Bait: Fresh or tainted meat, fish, or eggs Lure: Fish oil, skunk musk, anise, honey
Opossum	#1 - 1.65 Coil-spring Enclosed Foothold traps Cage trap	Dirt-hole, cubby	Bait: Jelly, jam, fruit, meat eggs, cheese, fish Lure: Not necessary
Raccoon	#1 - 1.5 Coil-spring, #11 Long- spring traps Enclosed foothold traps Cage traps #160 or 220 Body-gripping traps	Pocket, cubby, spring run, cage, dirt-hole	Bait: Chunks of fish or muskrat Lure: Fish oil, anise, honey, hard candy
Bassarisk Ringtail	#220 Body-gripping traps #1.5-1.75 Coil-spring traps	Cubby, dirt-hole, flat	Bait: Meat Lure: Commercial Lure
Wolverine	#280 or 330 Body-gripping traps Note: Few trappers will ever encounter wolverines. If you trap an area where wolverines are legal consult the wildlife agency for regulations and methods.	Sets at established bait stations or wolf kills. Post or trail sets	Bait: Meat Lure: Wolverine gland, beaver castor, fish oil
Badger	#1.75-3 Coil-spring #220 Body-gripping traps Cage traps	Dirt-hole sets at burrow entrance	Bait: Fresh or tainted rodent or beaver meat Lure: Badger gland scent