



## CCCR-79 Channel Cat Chum Rod Parts List

### Purpose

- A light-tackle, long, limber, general purpose rod for drifting and float fishing after chumming for channel catfish, bluegill, spotted bass and crappie.

### Blank

- [Sportsman's Series IM6 7 wt fly rod blank, 9 foot](#)
- Fly rod blanks make good light line spinning rods.

### Reel Seat

- [Pacific Bay 17 mm graphite reel seat](#)
- Since this will be a light rod I'll use the smallest, lighted reel seat I can get away with. 16 mm is too small, but 18 mm is a bit too big.
- Always size the reel seat to the reel, not the rod blank.

### Reel

- [Okuma ABF 20b](#)
- This is a baitfeeder type reel. Choose you favorite. Bait feeders give you the best line control without opening the bail.
- Consider the reel first, then build the rod around the reel.
- The "B" series has a little freer spool in bait feed mode than the original "A" model.

### Guides

- [Forecast double foot guides sized: 30, 16, 8](#)
- [Forecast single foot guide used as a tip top sized: 8](#)
- I use double footed guide because of the strength. I don't use a tip top guide because traditional tip tops change the direction of the line. I use a single foot guide as the tip top guide so the line stay in the same plane.

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- A nine foot rod will need about nine guides at least. I recommend one of each of the larger sizes, then size 8s straight out to the tip. This gathers the line quickly and shoots it straight down the rod.

### **Handle**

- $\frac{1}{4}$  inch cotton rope
- I use rope for a handle, it's cheaper and looks better than cork or eva foam, in my opinion. Braided cotton rope is smooth and easy on the hands. The epoxy and varnish will keep it waterproof and UV resistant.

### **Adhesive, Paint & Finish**

- U40 Rod Bond as for the reel seat
- Creatix airbrush paint to paint the tip as customary with catfish rods.
- Boat builder's epoxy, medium viscosity and curing time for guides
- Spar varnish for finish over the pain and guides
- Nylon embroidery thread for the guides

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