

Questions indicating good trapping characteristics

- ☐ Is the vegetation by the water emergent? Emergent means:
 - ☐ The vegetation is herbaceous (plants that don't have a woody stem / are not trees), **AND**
 - ☐ The vegetation *emerges* from the water (ie. is some of the plant under water and some of it above the water)
- ☐ Is the water by the edge of the lake shallow (not much more than 15cm / 6in)?
- ☐ Is there enough flat space by the edge of the water to lay down a bownet (smaller, less preferable net, 1.8m / 6ft radius)?
- ☐ Is there enough flat space by the edge of the water to lay down a whoosh net (3.0 m x 1.6 m / 10 x 5 ft rectangle)?
- ☐ Are there more than 1 trapping locations for whoosh and/or bownets?
- ☐ Is parking easily accessible and close to site?

Questions indicating bad trapping characteristics

- ☐ Is there a lot of moss or algae in the water?
- ☐ Are there noticeable predators nearby? (For MODU in our range this pretty much means feral dogs & cats, which are the biggest threats too, but otters, raccoons, skunks, and alligators are things to note if seen)
- ☐ Are confounding species present? (This is mostly covered by the list, but those are just the ones we have the most problems with. Wood ducks, boat-tailed grackle, crows, rock pigeons, squirrels; could also potentially be problems, but you don't need to worry too much about this.)
- ☐ Is there a lot of pedestrian traffic or human activities (eg. Frisbee golf) near the edge of the water?