

INVASIVE CATFISH

IN THE CHESAPEAKE BAY WATERSHED

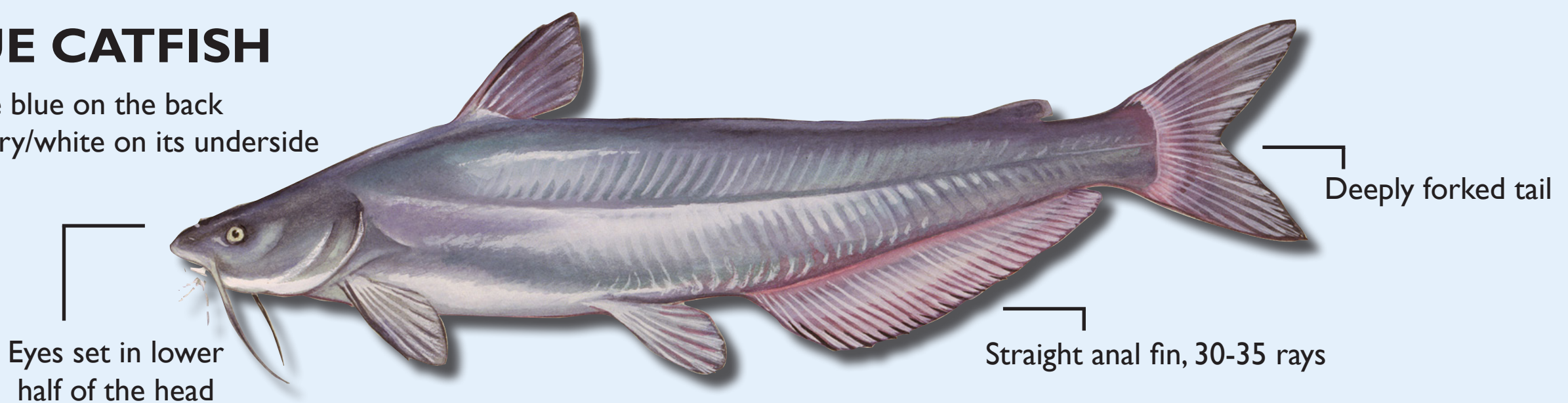
FLATHEAD CATFISH

- Can grow as long as 4 Feet
- Dark brown to tan



BLUE CATFISH

- Slate blue on the back
- Silvery/white on its underside



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

- The department asks anglers to keep any blue and flathead catfish they catch.
- Catch and release of these fish is discouraged, as they are invasive top predators and pose a serious long-term threat to our native species.

IN MARYLAND, IT IS ILLEGAL TO TRANSPORT LIVE BLUE AND FLATHEAD CATFISH INTO ANOTHER BODY OF WATER. VIOLATORS CAN BE FINED UP TO \$2,500.

For more information on Maryland's blue and flathead catfish policy, please visit dnr.maryland.gov/fisheries/Pages/catfish.aspx or scan the QR Code to the right with your cell phone camera.



To report illegal transport or unauthorized introductions of invasive species please contact the Natural Resources Police at 800-628-9944.