

# BLUEGILL

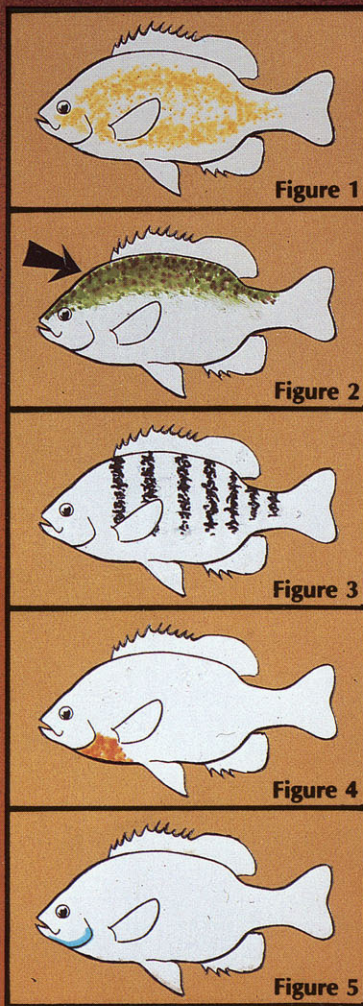
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## LIFE TONE<sup>®</sup> PAINTING INSTRUCTIONS

1. #100 BASECOAT SEALER—Brush on entire fish with 1/4" brush, or spray 2-3 moderate coats. I prefer to brush on. I can really get a good seal with one or two coats.
2. #701 OFF WHITE—Mist lower belly, inside mouth, and center portions of soft dorsal, anal, and caudal (tail) fins.
3. #972 SILVER PEARL—Mist entire fish lightly.
4. #302 GOLDEN YELLOW—Spray cheeks, upper side, and lower side down to white. Spray upper and lower portions heavier, leaving yellow lighter in center of fish. (Figure 1)
5. #503 SAILFISH BLUE—Mist lightly on cheek, and over golden yellow on midsection of side.
6. #402 MEDIUM GREEN—Angle spray from nose toward base of tail. Spray back and upper side down to lateral line. (Figure 2)
7. #404 BLACK GREEN—Angle spray from head toward tail and mist back and upper head. Highlight dorsal, anal, and caudal fins leaving off white centers show through. Leave pectoral fin transparent!
8. #404 BLACK GREEN—Thin 50% with #900 Thinner and a small amount of



#901 Retarder. Adjust airbrush to a fine-line setting. Holding airbrush very close to fish (1/4 inch), and at an extreme angle from belly toward back, add verticle bars and dark flecks to fish. Start at the top and work toward belly. Make sure the bars run verticle! It is very easy to run bars crooked and spoil the appearance. (Figure 3)

9. #801 VIVID ORANGE—Spray a medium coat on breast area. (Figure 4)

10. #504 PALE BLUE—Spray a light coat on gill cover and under throat on head only. Keep overspray off orange on breast. (Figure 5)

11. #601 JET BLACK—Spray ear flap and spot on soft dorsal fin.

12. #500 GOLD TONER—Add 1 part Gold Toner to 10 parts #100 Basecoat Sealer. Spray one coat over entire fish. Now is the time to check for color accuracy, and adjust if necessary. Check under natural sunlight.

13. #951 IRIDESCENT BLUE—Very lightly mist center portion of cheek and side.

14. #981 ORANGE PEARLESCENT—Mist over orange on breast.

15. #982 COPPER PEARLESCENT—Very lightly mist over top of head and upper back.

16. #934 GOLD SPARKLE — Mist cheeks and side of fish.

17. LIQUID CRYSTAL™ — Using a touch-up gun, spray 2 coats over entire fish.

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