

# KNOW THOSE KNOTS

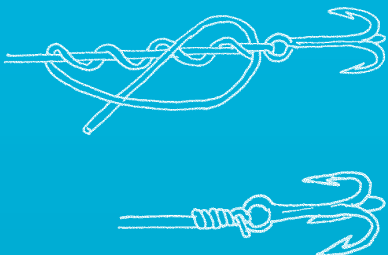
Knot tying practice will keep you occupied when you can't go out on the water. A good knot will reduce your chance of losing a fish. Practice tying these tried-and-true knots:



## Improved Clinch

Attaching a hook or lure:

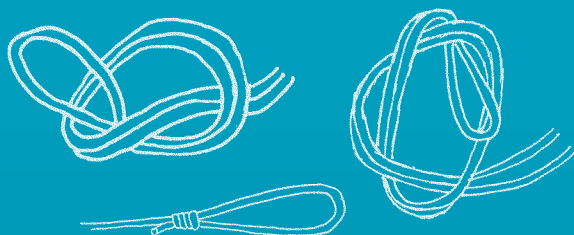
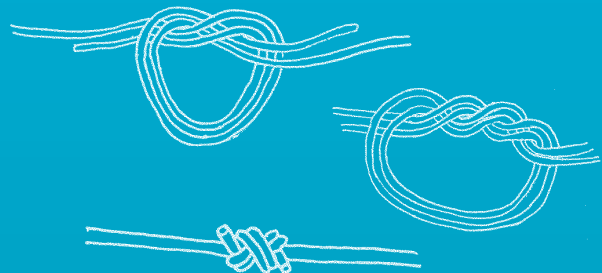
1. Thread line through hook eye and double back toward line.
2. Wrap loose end around line five times toward the reel.
3. Thread loose end through first loop above eye.
4. Thread loose end through big loop made in step 3.
5. Pull line tightly.



## Surgeon's Knot

Joining two sections of line:

1. Place six inches of each line side by side.
2. Tie a loose overhand knot using both lines.  
Don't tighten it yet.
3. Pull loose ends through knot again.
4. Hold each line, tighten.



## Surgeon's End Loop

Attaching a swivel, a snelled hook or a lure:

1. Make a loop about two inches long.
2. Using loop, tie a loose overhand knot.
3. Pull loop through the knot again.
4. Attach hook by threading loop through the eye and passing loop over hook.