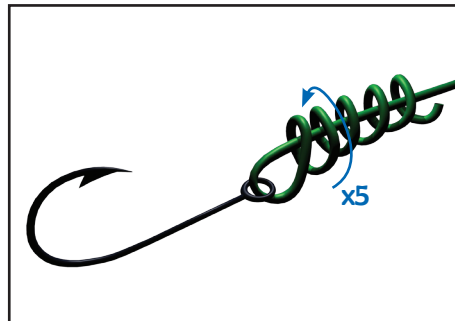


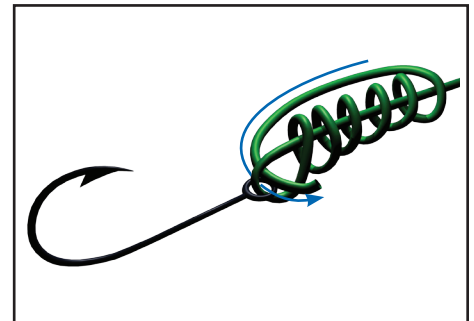
## Improved Clinch Knot



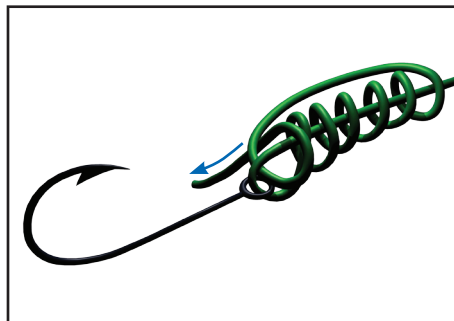
**Step 1** Pass the end of the line through the eye.



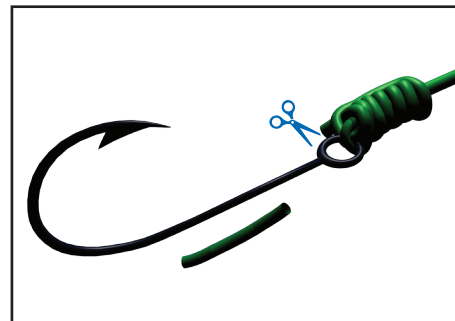
**Step 2** Wrap it around the standing end five complete turns.



**Step 3** Pass the end back through the loop beside the eye.



**Step 4** Then pass the end under the final turn.



**Step 5** Trim the end.

**Uses:** The Clinch knot provides one good method of securing fishing line to a hook, lure, or swivel. The “improved” version used here includes an extra tuck under the final turn, shown at step 4. It is commonly used to fasten the leader to the fly. It is not recommended if you are using over 12lb test line.

**Tying it:** It is important to wind the loops as a neat spiral round the standing line. Hold the loops under your fingers as you wind the line on.

**Advantages:** The Improved Clinch knot is regarded as a fisherman’s reliable standby. It is well worth the effort to make the extra final tuck as it improves your chances of holding a strong fish.