

# Angler Skills

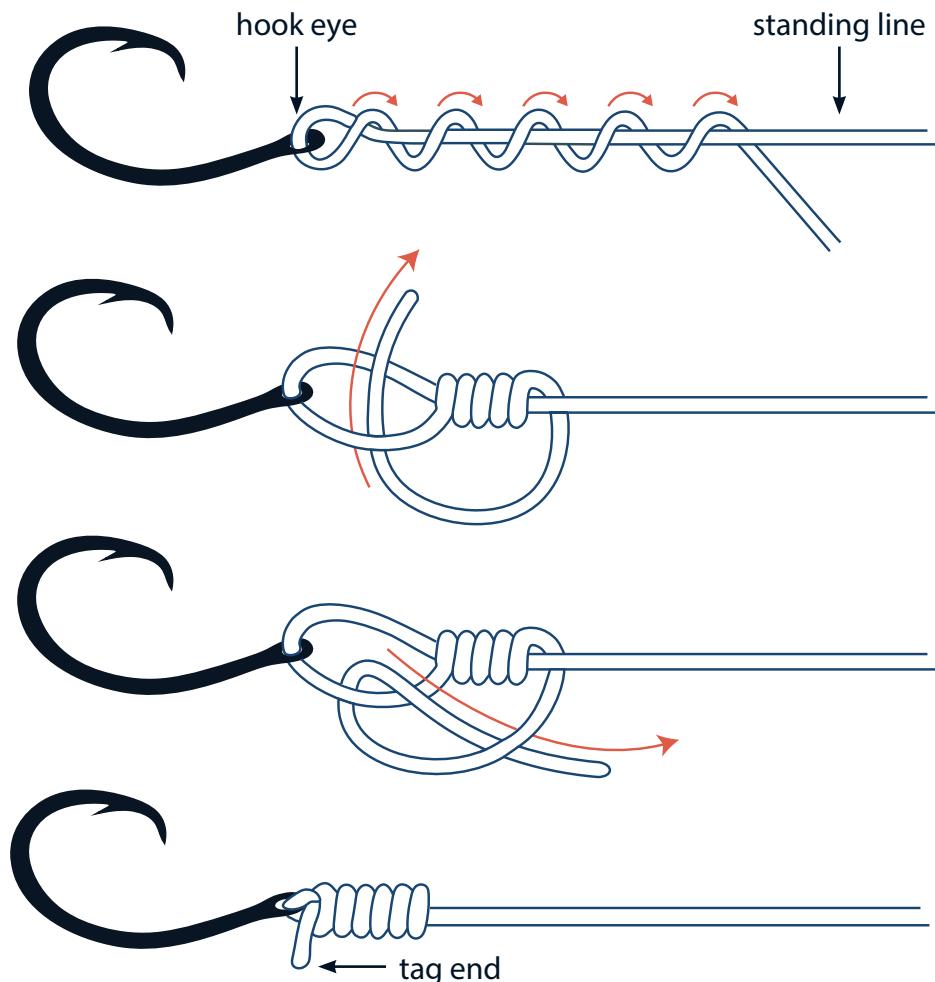


## Clinch Knots

Before you catch a fish, your hook or lure needs to be attached to your line with a knot. A **clinch knot** is one of the most common fishing knots, and a good way to secure a hook, lure, or swivel to the line.

### How to tie a clinch knot

1. Thread the end of the line through the eye of the hook, swivel, or lure. Double back and make five or more turns around the standing line (watch video below).
2. Bring the end of the line through the first loop formed behind the eye, then through the big loop.
3. Wet the knot and gently pull on the tag end to start drawing the coils together. Pull on the standing line to form knot with coils.
4. Slide the coil tight against the eye and cut the tag end.



*Tying saltwater fishing knots - improved clinch knot*

