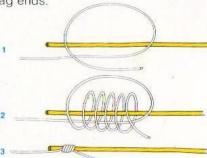
Nail-Less Nail Knot: Leader to fly line.

1. Hold the line tip over the leader butt. Form a loop in the leader in front of the line.

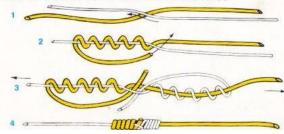
Pass the leader end through the loop and over the line five or six

3. Pull on the leader end to snug up the wraps evenly and tighten the knot. Trim tag ends.



Blood Knot (Barrel Knot): Tippet to leader.

1. Lay one end of the tippet over the leader end to form an X. Allow about four to six inches of each to tie the knot.



2. Hold the X between your right thumb and forefinger. Using your left hand, make five turns of the leader end around the tippet, wrapping away from you. Bring the leader end back and insert it on the other side of the X. At this point, switch the knot to hold it between your left thumb and forefinger.

3. Using your right hand, make five turns of the tippet around the leader, wrapping toward you. Bring the tippet end back and insert it in the same opening that the leader end is in, but in the opposite direction. Now wet the wraps with saliva and tighten the knot by pulling steadily on the two standing ends.
4. Trim the tag ends to finish the knot.

Improved Clinch Knot: Fly to tippet.

1. Thread tippet through the hook eye, and pull out about six inches.

Make five turns with tag end of the tippet around the standing part. Push end through the loop created in front of the hook eye then bring the end back through the big loop just formed.

2. Wet the knot and pull steadily on the tippet to tighten the twists

against the hook eye. Trim.

