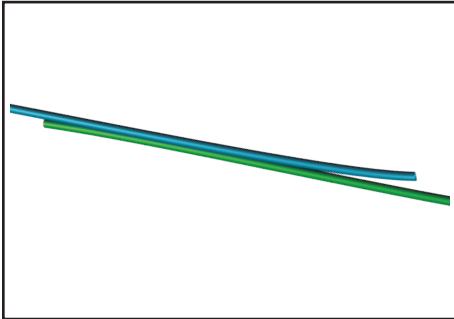




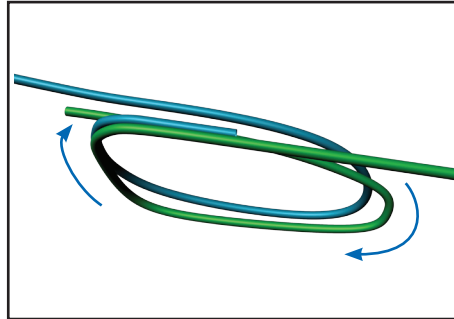
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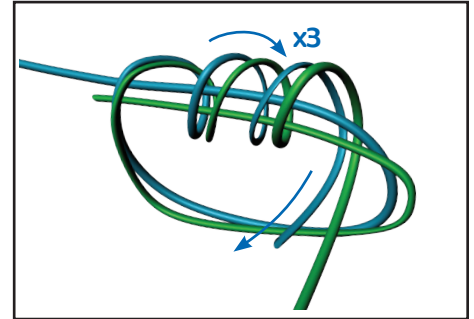
Surgeon's Knot



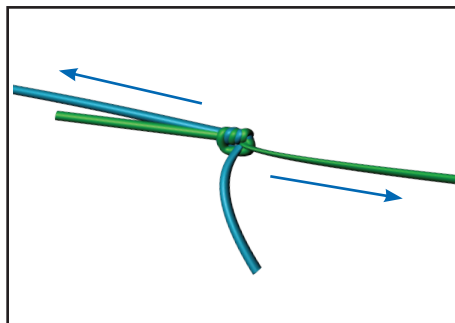
Step 1 Lay the line next to end of the leader with the two strands overlapping.



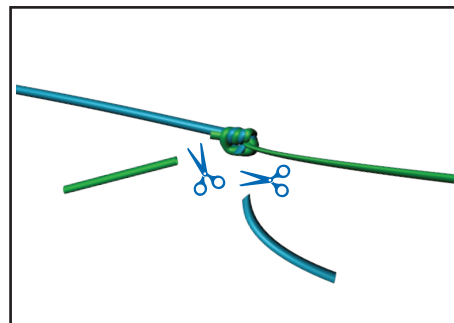
Step 2 Form and open loop with the doubled lines.



Step 3 Pass both tag ends and entire leader through the loop three times.



Step 4 Lubricate and tighten all four ends.



Step 5 Trim the tag ends.

Uses: The Surgeon's knot ranks as one of the best and easiest to tie knots for joining lines of equal or unequal diameters. It can also be used to join lines of different materials.

Tying it: Remember to pass the end of the line and the entire leader through the loop twice.

Advantages: When properly tied, the Surgeon's Knot approaches 100-percent line strength. It must be tightened by pulling on all four strands to properly seat the knot.