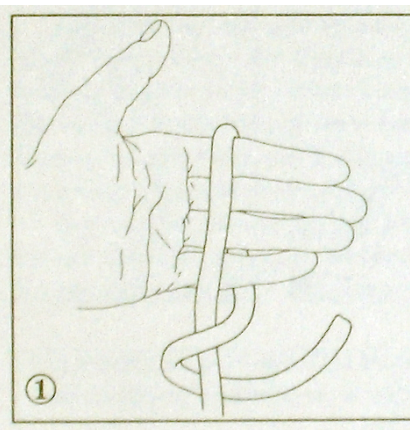


The Buntline Hitch.

This knot remains centered, and it takes up the least possible space and amount of line. It is ideal for firmly attaching the end of a line to something.

Besides trapeze cleats, I use it for my outhaul, and the aft end of my main sheet (which I anchor to the end of my hiking strap).

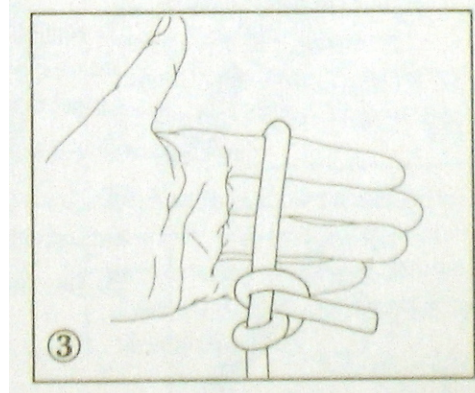
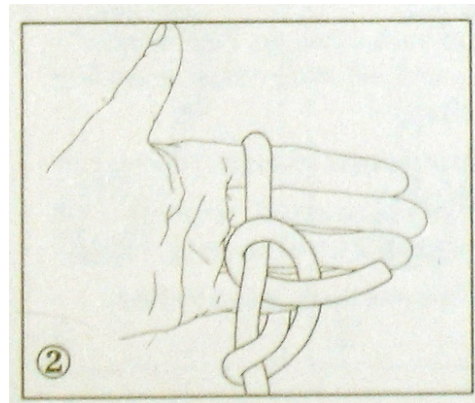


- ① Make a turn around your hand, then make a turn around the standing part.
- ② Bring the end up above the turn that is around the standing part, and make a Half-Hitch around the standing part.
- ③ Draw the turn and Half-Hitch tight, then snug the knot up against the hitchee.



Finish each end with a "hitch" the simplest knot possible. (Make **sure** they can't slip through the eye - Use thicker line if you are unsure)

Bowline loop
Provides handle
to make lifting
yourself easier



Buntline Hitch
(cinch up all the way)

Hold by wrapping hand **here**, around **line**, **not** around doughnut. The **rope** is the handle, **not** the doughnut. The doughnut just stops your hand from sliding down

Line goes through doughnut twice.
Doughnut rests on top of cleat.

2" wide bowline at end of shock cord. Push it through eye **here**, then stretch around bottom of loop and cinch back up to top

Shock cord goes through fairlead in deck near shroud chainplate. Then through cheek block 2' aft of bow in center, then to other trapeze.

This provides enough length of stretch to get out on the wire, while retracting enough to keep trapeze in place when not in use.