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Re: Let's talk lead.

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afishinado wrote:

IMHO, one large shot causes your tippet to hinge a one point like this: >

And using a string of lighter shot spaced out (sorta like a centerpin rig) straightens out your tippet and is much more sensitive to strikes, like this: \

Just sayin.....

I'll dispute that theory.

If you're fishing with multiple shot, each shot has space between them that allows slack to form in the leader (unless you're suspending it below a float, or dragging it faster than the current). By using only one shot, if you're "in touch" with the shot, the only possible slack is from the fly to the shot, and you have that with multiple shot as well. This is why using a weighted fly is more sensitive than using shot BTW. Think about a Czech nymph rig - only one heavily weighted fly - the others are lighter.

If you're fishing by feel, how do you know all the shot on the line is stretched taught? You're actually doing the same as fishing one shot, but you're only feeling the uppermost shot. Keep in mind - this is more of a shallower water technique. In very deep water, the connection between the rod tip and the shot is tougher to maintain, and you do get a bow in the line.

This isn't my brainchild - it's a Gary Borger theory.