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Re: weight below the nymph?

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Flybinder,

Good point. I tie most of my flies weighted. But, in faster deeper water, where shot is still needed to get it down to the bottom, the shot string on the tag end works well. Less hang ups, and the shot picks up all the moss and weeds, not the fly.

Flybinder, I doubt that the fish can hear the shot tick against the bottom. Even if they can, who says that's a bad thing. Many spin fisherman use rattles in their lures to attract the fish. To replicate that, I've seen flies that are tied with loose beads to make a clicking sound to attract fish.

I've been using this rig since I began to fly fish a long time ago. I started out fishing bait (like most of us did) and this method, by using feel instead of sight, is essentially like bait fishin' with a fly. The rig was actually a modification of my carp and sucker rig I used in the Susky! When I started to fish that way I didn't know any better at the time, I was just a dumb kid, and the phrase "thinking outside of the box" didn't exist.

Give it a try sometime. As with any different type of fly or rig I just let fish decide – that's the "bottom line."