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Look and "feel." Depending on the pattern, you may be measuring by the gap length or shank length. I always bought the presized hackles and tied according to the size stated. This always seemed satisfactory. If you have a cape or saddle and have to guage, get a reliable guide and stick to it. For dries, I have always felt that the fly placed on a flat surface should be supported by the front hackle and tail in a nearly horizontal but slightly rearward leaning plane. If your guide causes that result, it can be considered satisfactory, imo.