

Subject: : Beginner Forum

Topic: : Basic leader formula for nymphing

Re: Basic leader formula for nymphing

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Quote:

I have been a ff'er for about 10 years now but I never really got past beginner skill level with nymphing. Looking to up my game and i want to tie some flouro leaders up for a couple outings i have planned.

I will be fishing these leaders on a 9' 6 wt rod. I also fish dries with this rod on tapered mono leaders. Often when nymphing i have tried to use these same tapered mono leaders and after doing some research and reading i believe this is a big part of my issue

Additional input is also always welcome, thank you!

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BrookieChaser wrote:

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troutbert wrote:

I don't use indicators. Even if you try indicators, I highly recommend spending at least half you time nymphing without an indicator.

Fishing without an indicator is something that flyfishers should learn. And I don't mean just short line nymph fishing, but also nymph fishing with a good bit of line out (20 or 30 feet or so).

I second this.

~~In what way are these posts above answering the beginners question (using a fluoro leader) or even helpful in any way?~~

Giving an opinion on anything is fine, but the beginners forum is a place to help out FFers looking to learn something or improve their skills. Saying learn to fish without an indicator is fine, but giving advice on how to set up the rig, why it's better, when it most useful, etc. is *helpful* and is why the Beginner forum was created.

I tried to answer the OP question (below) and gave him the why and how rigging on how to help him be a better nymph.

*Buying a fluoro leader for nymphing probably isn't the answer to improve your nymphing skills. In fact, it may do more harm than good. The last thing you want is for the tapered (thicker) part of your leader to do is sink. The bigger diameter of line drifting and submerged in the water, the more drag is imparted to your fly. This is true if you fish with or even without an indicator. In Euro nymphing or high-sticking you want everything from the sighter and above to either float or not even touch the water.*

*Try using your standard mono 7.5 - 9' tapered leader. > remember, you want your leader to float to be able to mend to your indy and not cause drag. Attach a long tippet that's about twice the depth of the water.*

Anyone is welcomed to answer beginners questions to help out, PennKev gave a really good post on a leader system and rig that can be really helpful to both beginners as well as FFers looking for a simple rig to step up their game.

Maybe some on here have a case of cabin fever...the winter's over, relax, enjoy, get out and do a little fishin'...