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I almost always fish at least 2 flies at once - even if targeting rising fish. I figure it doubles my chance of hooking up.

When nymphing, my method varies as to where I put the heaviest fly - sometimes it is the first in line other times it is on the bottom. It all depends what stream I am fishing and what bugs are active in the water.

My early May trip to Penns it was a heavy black stonefly with a small peacock soft hackle from the bend and I caught fish on both of them throughout the day. On my last trip to Codorus creek it was a yellow body humpy with a small pheasant tail off the bend, again, fish were taken on both.

I like to nymph with at least one soft hackle when no visible action is on the surface. I have used small split shot between the flies, only when I have too. Slow down your casting and false cast as little as possible to reduce tangles.

My favorite current tandem is usually some type of green caddis beadhead with some soft hackle feathers on it, trailed by either an un-weighted peacock soft hackle or a 16 or 18 beadhead pheasant tail or green bodied hare's ear. Distance between the two flies is greater than 14" and less than 24"