

'How to setup your steelhead rod for Jig Fishin'

Once you have chosen your desired fishing line, put it on your reel, attached reel to rod, then just follow these simple step by step instructions for setting up for 'jig Fishin'.

- 1) You will first need a bobber stopper. They come in a variety of colors, so your choices are many. The bobber stopper that we feel is the best to use comes on a little plastic tube with what looks like dental floss rapped around it 6, 7 maybe 8 times. Simple slide your Fishin' line through the tube, let's say 2 - 3 feet through the tube itself. Now slowly slide the thread material off the tube and onto the Fishin line. You'll see two ends sticking out, one at each end of the rapped thread. Grab hold of each end and slowly pull on them until the wraps get fairly tight on the line. Your first step is now complete.
- 2) Now, take a small bead and run your Fishin' line through the hole. It's important the hole be small enough so the bobber stopper (the rapped thread) won't go through the hole in the bead.
- 3) Next, have your bobber handy, we like to use West Coast floats because they are very durable, easy to see, and they last forever. You'll find these bobbers available in our "Accessories Section". There is a small plastic tube in the middle of the bobber. It's designed to be durable and yet flexible enough to bend with the bobber if need be. Run your Fishin' line down through the center of the bright end of the bobber. So far so good! So let's move on. We're almost done.
- 4) Now place another small bead onto the line. This bead helps the bobber from getting caught or stuck on the swivel.
- 5) Now, tie on a good quality swivel. You'll appreciate using a good quality swivel; some of the cheaper ones bend too easy and at that special moment, when you set the hook on that fish, you don't want anything to go wrong here.
- 6) This next step is optional, but I really feel that with the addition of an in-line weight, you can keep your jig at a more constant level in the water, once your desired depth is found. This is especially effective when the river is a little high or you are Fishin' heavier water. You simply attach the in-line weight to your swivel
- 7) Next, choose your favorite leader material and tie a small loop in the end of it. This loop is where you will be attaching your leader to the clip end of the swivel, or if you're using an in-line weight, attach it to the ring at the end of the weight.
- 8) This next step is optional, but again I highly recommend you at least try this method first, before you choose a different method. You'll see why here soon. Take a small clip, they look like the clip part on the end of a swivel, and tie your leader to the small round end of the clip. The larger end will have a small hook on it just like the regular clips on the swivels have. We use this little clip to directly attach the steelhead jig to. Because of the round bend on the clip itself, it gives the jig the ability to move more freely through the water, giving it more action as it flows through the current, unlike the clinch not. We have been using these little clips for years and they work great. They make it a fast and easy step in changing jigs and not having to retie your leader on again each time you want to make a change. You can find these little clips in our "Accessories Section" of our website. I hope this bit of information will help you catch more fish.

Good luck and keep Fishin'.....

