

Boating Merit Badge Knots

Leaders,

There are a number of required knots for the Rowing and Small Boat Sailing merit badges. Some of these are common Boy Scout knots and others are more specific toward boating. In order to maximize the time on the water we are seeking your help in teaching these knots to your Scouts. Below is a list of the required knots with step-by-step instructions for the less common ones. We are asking that you review these knots with those taking Rowing and Small Boat Sailing merit badges. The Scouts can then simply show us the knots and we can get them on the water. The knots can be found in the Small Boat Sailing and Rowing merit badge books.

Rowing Knots

Clove hitch

Bowline

Round Turn w/two half hitches

Wellman's knot

Mooring Hitch

Small Boat Sailing Knots

Clove hitch

Bowline

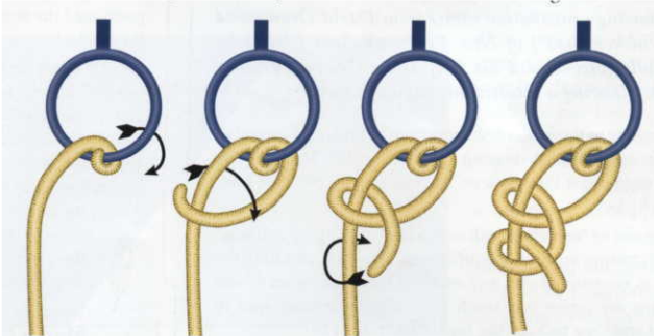
Square (Reef) knot

Cleat hitch

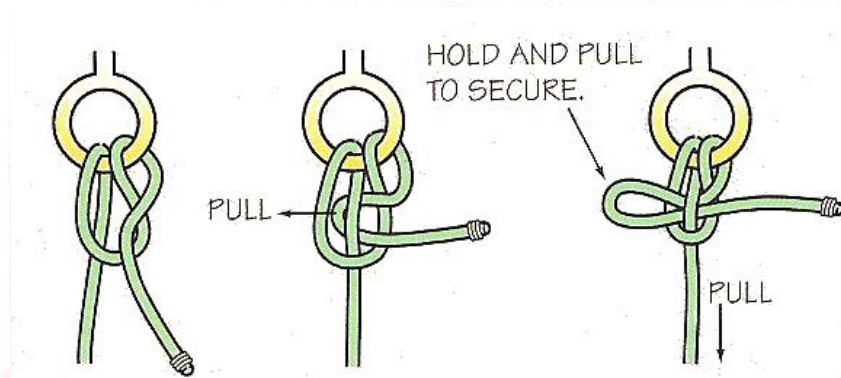
Round Turn w/two half hitches

Figure eight

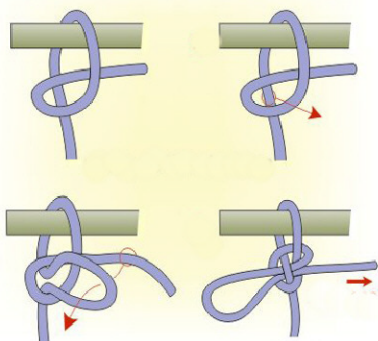
ROUND TURN WITH TWO HALF HITCHES



WELLMAN'S KNOT



MOORING HITCH



CLEAT HITCH

