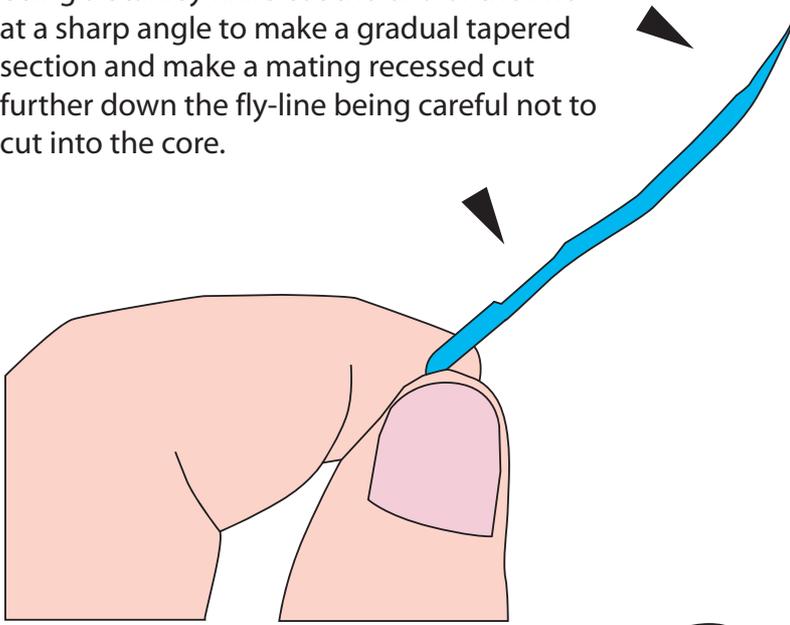
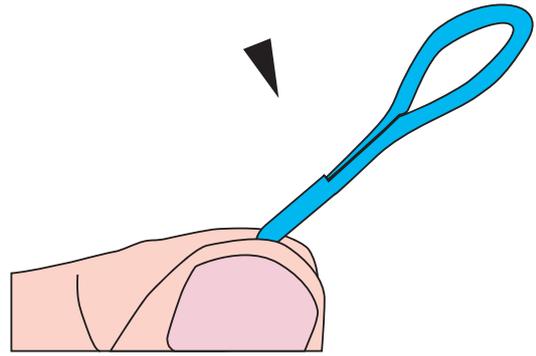


Making welded loops in fly-lines

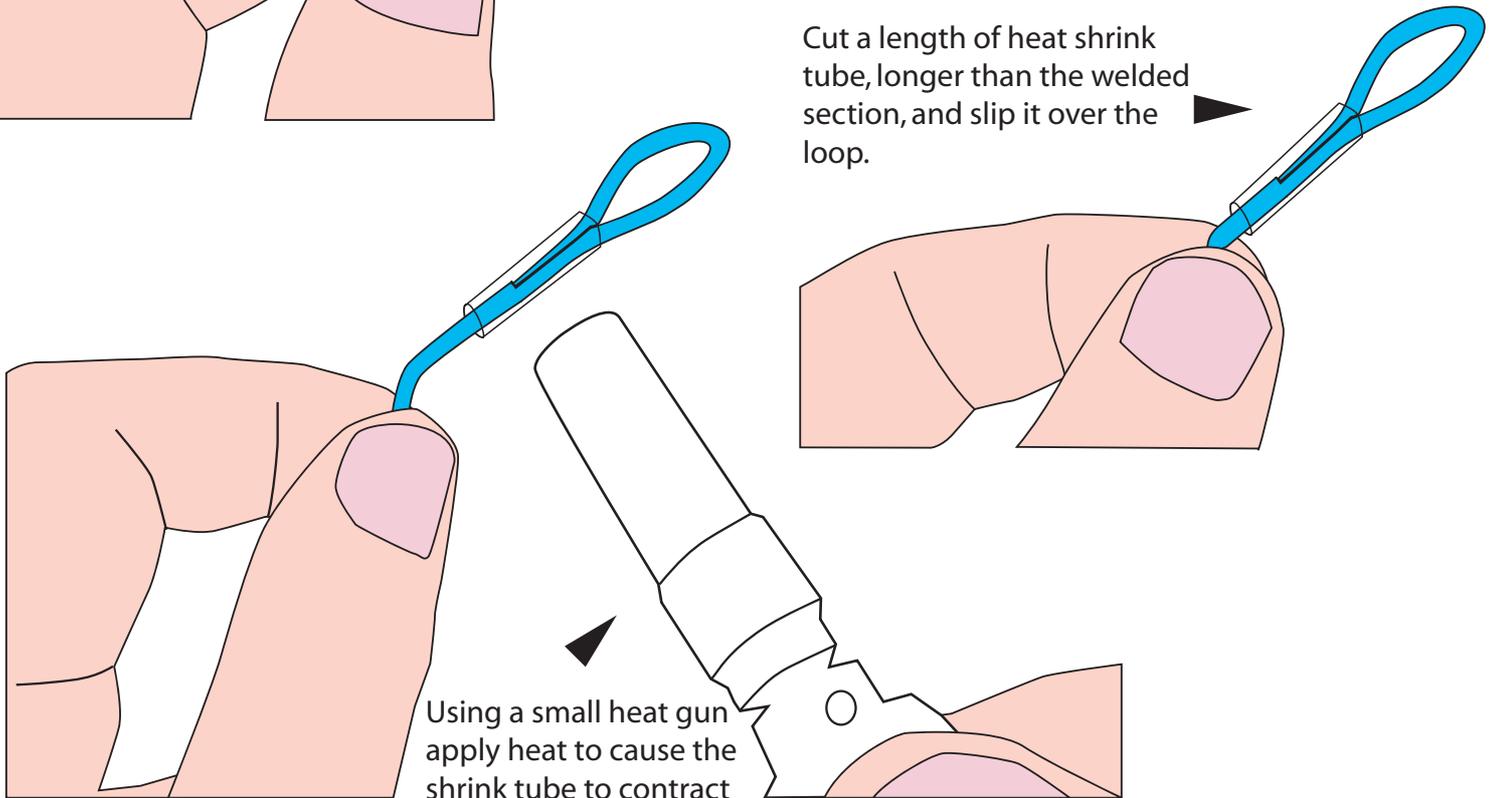
Using a Stanley knife cut the end of the line at a sharp angle to make a gradual tapered section and make a mating recessed cut further down the fly-line being careful not to cut into the core.



Fold the end over to make a loop, with the tapered end resting inside the recessed section of the fly-line.

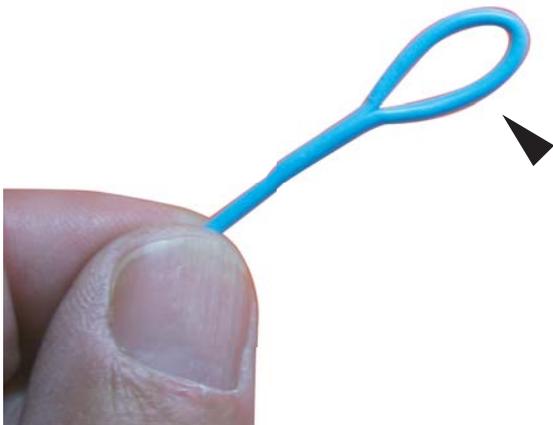


Cut a length of heat shrink tube, longer than the welded section, and slip it over the loop.



Using a small heat gun apply heat to cause the shrink tube to contract and the loop to fuse together.

It is important to apply the heat working progressively from the bottom upwards, otherwise an air bubble might get trapped in the middle of the outer sleeve which will spoil the connection. Also leave the very ends of the shrink tube unheated. Finally carefully remove the heat shrink tube by slitting along it with a blade.



The finished loop will look like this