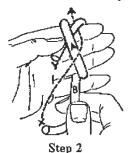
Turks Head Woggle (neckerchief slide)

The imaginary marks on the rope, X, Y, A, and B, always stay on the same section of rope. The working end X is always moving around – these diagrams don't show all the extra rope past the end of where X is shown. The stationary end of the rope, Y, and the first and second wraps, A & B, stay put once they're placed (except the A/B loop in step 5).

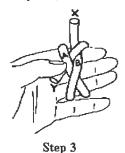


Step 1

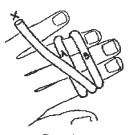
Place the rope or braid around three fingers of your left hand, palm up. Bring end X over the stationary end Y, and...



around the back of the hand. Thread end X over

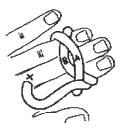


under Y, thus forming B.



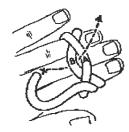
Step 4

Turn your left hand over, palm down.



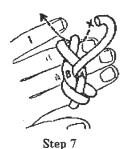
Step 5

Loop A over B, and B under A. Hold in position by placing the forefinger of your right hand between A and B.



Step 6

Reach through the loop and thread end X under B through the crisscross loop formed by A and B.



Thread end X over A, and (following the dotted arrow)...



under B again.

The original Gilwell woggle was made with a 30" leather strip – the right size to

string a bow when starting a fire by friction. It was threaded back on itself twice.

Troop 325's woggle is made from about 45" of cord (it starts out longer to make it

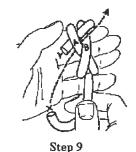
easy to tie off at the end). The continuous cord represents the Spirit of Scouting,

which goes on forever, tying one generation to the next. It is threaded back on

itself three times to represent the three parts of the Scout Oath:

duty to God & country, duty to others, and duty to self.

A and...



threading the strand over

Turn your hand over, palm up. Bring end X alongside of and parallel to end Y by B, under A and (following the dotted arrow)...



Step 10

over B (along side Y).

Carefully remove the partial slide from your fingers, and adjust the slide to be even and have the right size neckerchief hole.

The Turk's-Head Woggle is completed by following along side the original knot three times; i.e., until there are three rope/braid strands parallel to each other all around the slide.



Step 11

This shows the last step of the second time around, and the beginning of the third time around.

It may be necessary to work the woggle tighter from time to time to keep the end (X) long enough to go three times around.



Step 12

This shows the end X near the completion of its third time around.

The slide ends on the other side of the three strands from where it was begun (Y). The ends are then tied off* neatly on the inside to complete the woggle.

*with a knot, glue, and/or by fusing.

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