# CIRCLE HOOK SWIM BAIT for MYRMIDON

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#### FIRST UP:

- . Gill and gut the bait then sew up the belly with waxed thread.
- This rig can be used with different baits such as Scad, Mackerel or Queenfish. We've used Queenfish for our demo

#### STEP ONE

- 1. Clove Hitch a length of 80lb Dacron to the circle hook
- 2. Pull the hitch tight so it doesn't slip
- 3. Add an extra hitch around the shank to lock the knot.



## STEP TWO

- 1. Using a bait needle, thread the Dacron strands individually through the head, up near the eyes, but not forward of the eyes
- 2. Bring each strand out either side of the throat latch and tie off tightly



STEP FIVE

1. Clove hitch another length of Dacron to the hook shank leaving 2 trailing pieces

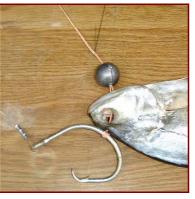


#### STEP SIX

- 1. With a Bait needle take each thread through the fish from opposite sides through the pec fin
- 2. Tie off underneath the belly

### STEP THREE

1. Using a folded over length of stainless trace pull both strands through a number 8 or 9 sinker.



# STEP SEVEN

1. With some waxed thread put a couple of stitches through the gills and tie off



Finished, Ready and Rearing to go! Just add water.

### STEP FOUR

- 1. Using a bait needle, thread each end through the bottom jaw and out through each nostril
- 2. Adjust the sinker under the chin and tie off the Dacron on top of the nose. Make sure it is tied very tight to ensure the sinker stays firmly in place





- With 50lb tackle use 400lb for both leader & bait trace
- For scads & smaller Queenfish use 14/0 or 15/0 circle
- Scads make an excellent swim bait, if you can catchem, that's a tackle demo in itself...another time.
- Queensfish are more readily available from some tackle
- Legal sized mackerel, rainbow runner and tarpon are also good.
- Run with a skip bait out of each out rigger

