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## Dbf. Fisherman\'s knot...

Posted by Nikko - 07/22/2008 08:27pm

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## Re:Dbf. Fisherman\'s knot...

Posted by Baker - 07/23/2008 01:24pm

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## Re:Dbf. Fisherman\'s knot...

Posted by moss - 07/28/2008 02:11pm

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Double Fisherman's Noose or more correctly: Scaffold Knot or Double Overhand Noose (all the same knot by different names) is very safe to terminate the climbing rope on your carabiner to harness attachment. Leave at least a 3" tail on the knot. Assuming you are using a split tail. It's awkward to use the tail on this knot for the bridge/Blake's for a traditional tie-in. Take a look at Jepson's Tree Climber's Companion for more detail on tying and using this knot.  
-moss

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## Re:Dbf. Fisherman\'s knot...

Posted by Tom Dunlap - 08/03/2008 07:41pm

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Since learning how secure the double fisherman's hitch in all of it's iterations is I've almost forgotten how to tie about 7-8 hitches/knots.

As long as you Tie/Dress/Set the Scaffold Hitch you can't go wrong. In this application it is so much more compact than any other termination.

In addition, a SH will trap your biner from spinning and possibly cross loading. Looking down and seeing a biner loaded across the gate is pretty scary! With loop terminations a cross load is much more likely than using a cinch-type termination.

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## Re:Dbf. Fisherman\'s knot...

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Posted by Nikko - 08/04/2008 01:16am

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Thanks a lot guys. Good call too on the cross loading prevention - I just had the ball of the ball lock pop out from cross loading while over 100' up.:unsure: Not something anyone wants happening too often.

Thanks again,

Nate

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### Re:Dbf. Fisherman\'s knot...

Posted by Baker - 08/04/2008 06:49am

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If I've learned anything from this forum, it's that there is always more than one way to do something - often a better way. I'll probably still tie a figure 8 on a bight for a while, because that's what I'm used to. I do see the value of the Fisherman's knot though and I will learn to tie it, and practice it. My copy of the Tree Climbers Companion is on it's way to me as I write this, so I expect to learn even more soon.

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