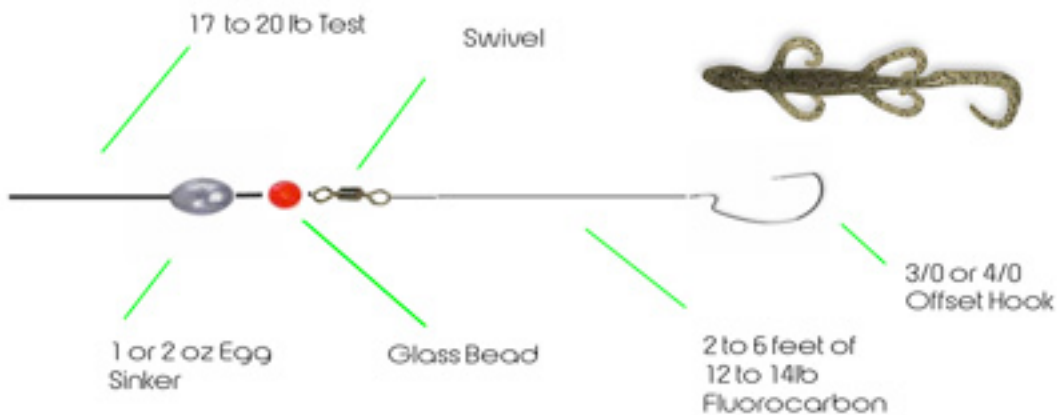


Carolina Rig



The Carolina Rig is one of the most versatile fish catching rigs available to fishermen. You can fish a Carolina Rig in a variety of ways. It is used to target bass in shallows or in deep water. The best places I have found to use a Carolina Rig is flats, humps, or points. The Carolina Rig will allow you to keep in contact with the bottom and feel the lightest of bites.

- **Weeded or Rocky Flats** - Fish love to feed on deep rocky or weed infested flats and a Carolina Rig can quickly target these areas and pick up a few lunkers.
- **Humps** - Fishing a Carolina Rig on a hump that resides in deep water can be a fantastic way to pick up some bass.
- **Points** - Fishing a Carolina Rig on a point will allow you to quickly target all areas of the point to determine if bass are holding on this point. This is one of my One thing that I have learned to do over the years when fishing a Carolina Rig is use a 7 foot bait casting rod with a good reel that can easily cast 1 to 2 oz of weight. I use a 7-foot Shimano Rod and a Shimano Calcutta reel for my Carolina Rigging. I also use 17 lb test to the Swivel then 12 lb test fluorocarbon to the bait. Your rig may differ depending on your lake, but the lakes I fish are deep clear water impoundments where line visibility matter. When you get a bite you will want to make a long sweeping pull to set the hook by reeling up the slack then by sweeping back to set the hook. Often your bait is in deep water with a lot of line out and a good hook set is critical, which is why I prefer a 7-foot rod.

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Tying the Carolina Rig

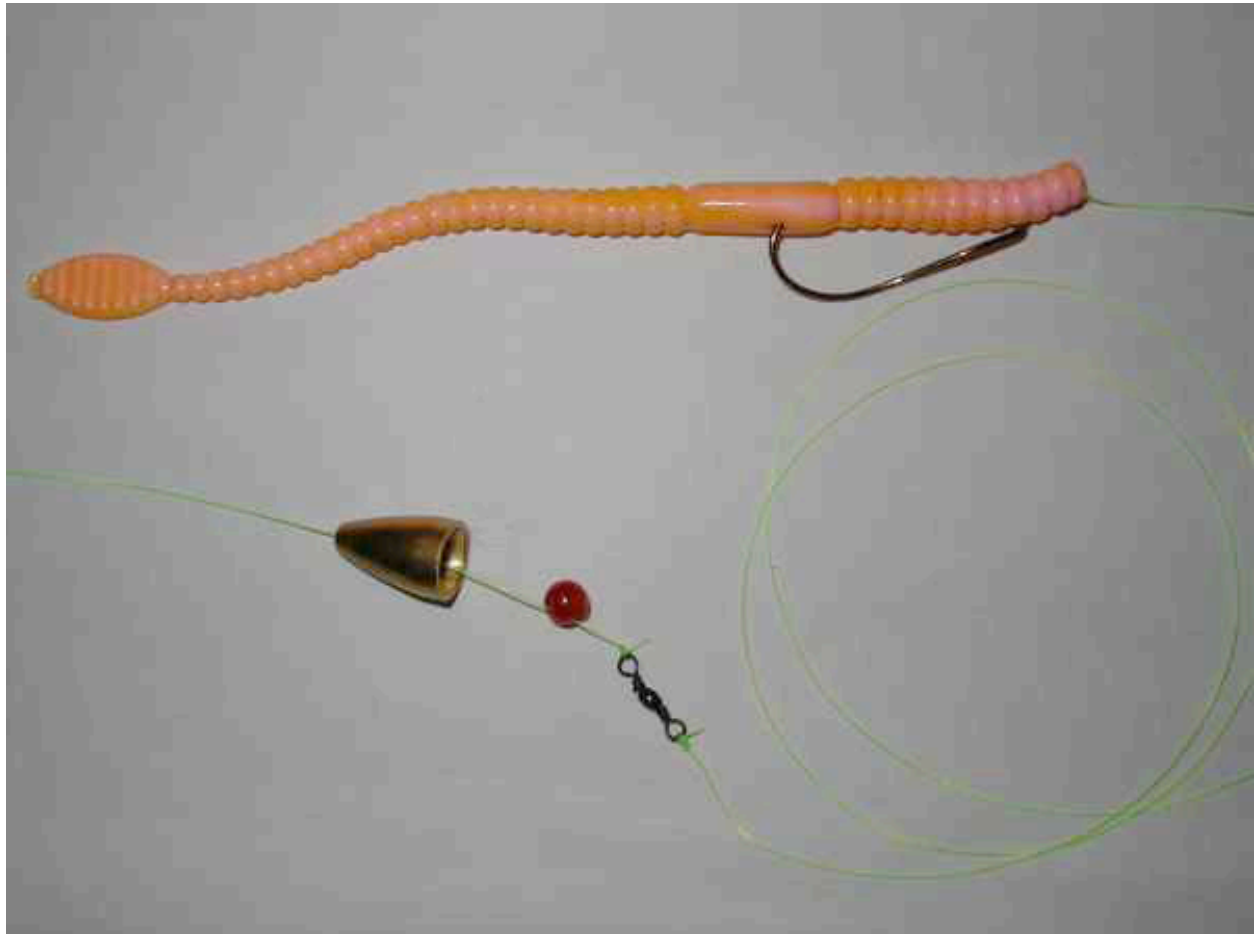
Step #1

Tie worm hook on to leader of 12 to 48 inches. Insert hook in worm in same manner as Texas Rig. Tie a swivel on end of leader.

Step #2

Slip a 1/2 to 1 oz. bullet weight on end of line (tapered end facing rod). This weight can be lead (if legal in your state), steel or brass (as shown). Then slip on a glass bead (made for this purpose with hole in center). Tie end of line to other side of swivel.

Carolina rigs took the fishing world by storm decades ago. I first started fishing this type rig in the late 70's. Carolina rigs should be part of any bass fisherman's arsenal.



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