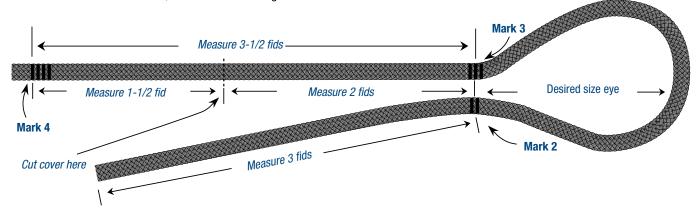


### **MEASURING AND MARKING**

The measurements are the same as those for the direct bury eye splice for Class II ropes. Measure 3 fid lengths from the end and make Mark 2.

Form the desired size of the eye, and make Mark 3 adjacent to Mark 2. From Mark 3, measure 3-1/2 fid lengths and make Mark 4.





## INSTALLING DC GARD FOR SPLICE AREA

The splice area must be covered with DC Gard at the completion of the Slide splice. Cut a piece of DC Gard that is 5-1/2 fid lengths long (the distance from Mark 3 to Mark 4 plus 2 fid lengths.) Slide the DC Gard onto the rope and beyond Mark 4\*. Mark 3 Mark 4 DC Gard Mark 4

Mark 2

\*For field splicing, replace DC Gard with whipping twine. See instructions for whipping on page 182 for more information.





### **UNBRAIDING COVER**

Tape the rope at Marks 2, 3 and 4. From Mark 3, measure 2 fid lengths towards Mark 4. Mark this point, then cut the cover completely around the circumference of the rope. Be careful not to cut any of the core strands or yarns.

Unbraid the cover from the cut towards Mark 4, and from the cut towards Mark 3. The cover is left intact around the eye, from Mark 2 to Mark 3. With the cover unbraided, transfer Mark 2 and 3 to the core.

Unbraid the cover from the bitter end to Mark 2.

After the cover has been unbraided, measure

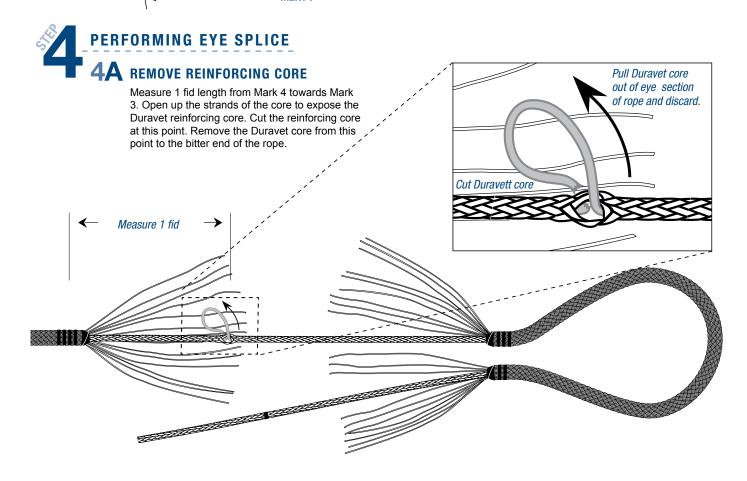
1 fid length from the bitter end and make Mark 1.

Tape cover at Marks 2, 3 and 4

Measure 1 fid

Measure 1 fid

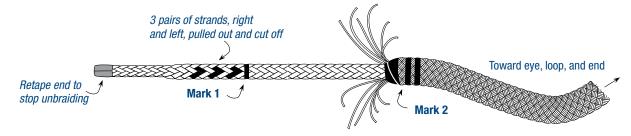
Mark 1





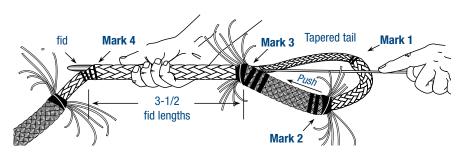
## **4B** MAKING TAPER

From Mark 1, in the direction of the bitter end of the line, mark every second right and left strand for 3 strands. Cut every marked strand and pull out of line (tape at end can cause resistance and may have to be removed in order to pull out cut strands.) Tapered end will now have only 6 strands remaining. Tape tapered tail tightly to keep from unbraiding.



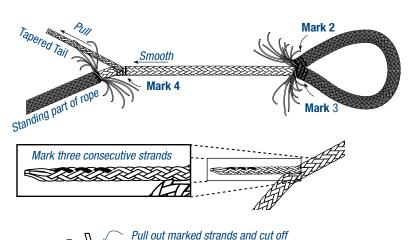
## **4C** BURYING TAIL INTO STANDING PART OF LINE

Measure 3-1/2 tubular fid lengths from Mark 3 on the core and make Mark 4 on the core. Insert fid and tapered tail at Mark 3 and bring fid out at Mark 4. You may need to slide the cover back at Mark 4 slightly. Pull fid and tapered tail out. Don't let the line twist. Use care when the tail passes the cut end of the Duravet core.



## 4D FINISH BURYING TAIL

Pull tail out of the rope to expose the previously tapered area. Remove the fid and any tape at the end of the tail. From the end of the tail, mark 3 consecutive strands, as shown. Pull them out of the braid and cut off close to the body of the rope. Now, using both hands and the weight of your body, smooth the cover slack from Mark 3 towards Mark 4. The tail will disappear into the rope, and a smooth, gradual taper should result.



## 4E FINISHING EYE SPLICE

When finished, Mark 2 and Mark 3 should be at the same point in the vertex of the eye—which yields eye size desired.

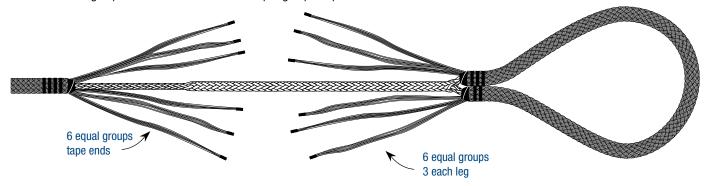




## GROUPING COVER STRANDS

At Mark 4, divide the cover strands into 6 equal groups. Tape the ends securely.

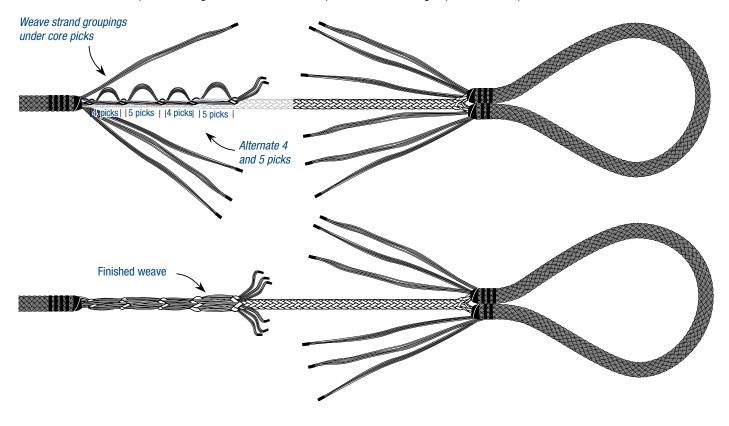
At the vertex of the eye, group the cover strands at Mark 3 into 3 equal groups, and group the strands at Mark 2 into 3 equal groups. Tape the ends of each strand.



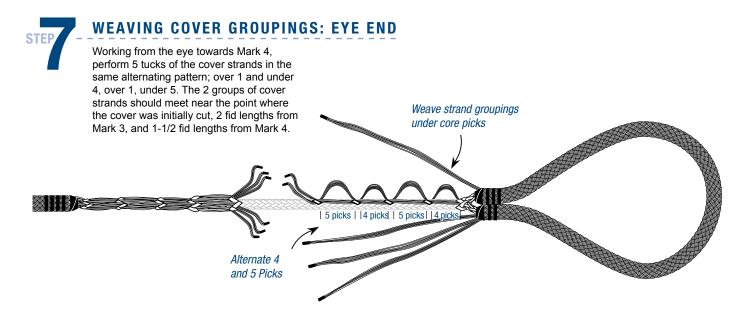
### **WEAVING COVER GROUPINGS: WORKING END**

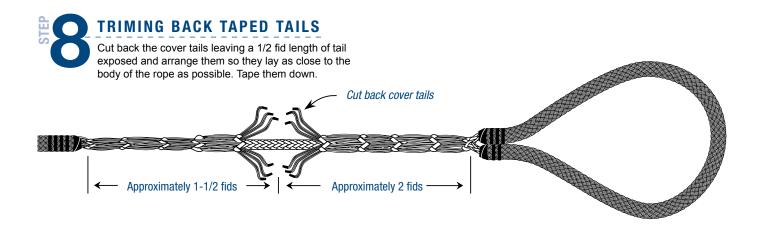
Now, working from Mark 4 towards Mark 3, make 5 tucks with the cover strands into the core in the following pattern: under 1 strand, over 4 strands, under 1 strand, over 5 strands, under 1 strand, over 4 strands, under 1 strand, over 5 strands, under 1 strand.

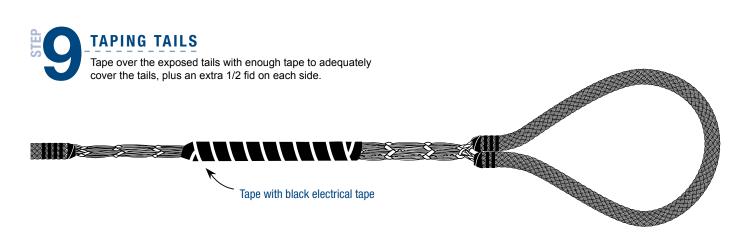
These tucks proceed straight down the axis of the rope. Tuck all 6 strand groups in the same pattern



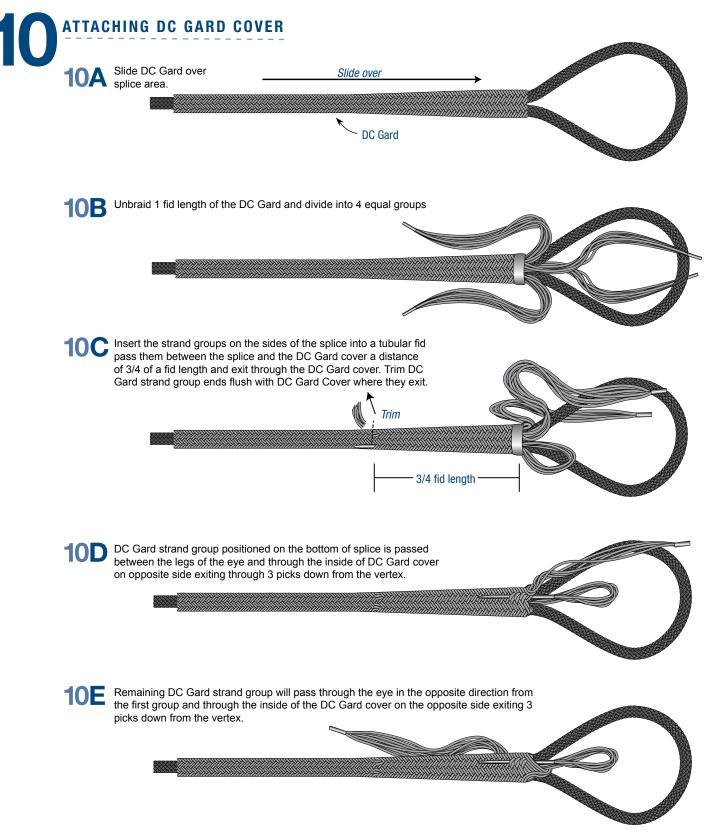




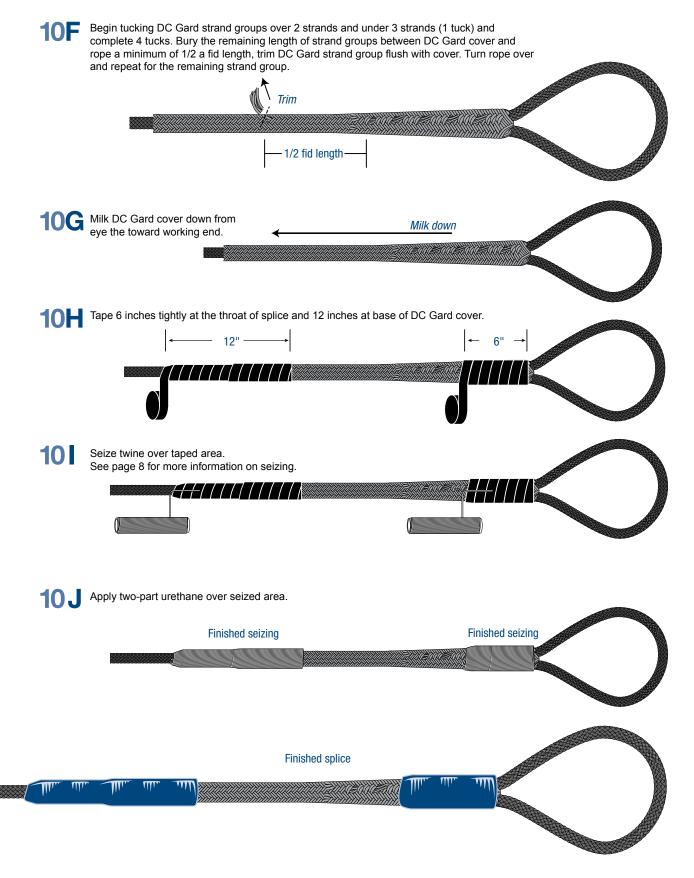












# **Seizing Finished Splice**



### STEP 1

Attach twine to netting needle.

### STEP 2

Pass the free end of the twine under a couple of strands in the cover and pull enough twine through to extend beyond the area to be seized.

**2A** Tape the free end of the twine to the opposite side of the area to be seized.

### STEP 3

Start seizing. Wrap the needle around the circumference of the rope 1 complete turn. Pass the netting needle under the complete wrap left to right. Pull the loop tight. Pull the needle up maintaining tension on the completed half hitch and then quickly pull back down to lock the half hitch in place.



Continue with this procedure until the seized area is approximately 1/2 of the desired length, then cut off the taped end near the last wrap.

### STEP 5

Using some spare twine, tape a loop that covers the length of the intended seizing distance, letting the 2 free ends of the looped twine lay over the completed seizing. Tape the free ends of the loop past the already seized area.

### STEP 6

Continue seizing for the desired total length over the top of the looped twine. After seizing is complete, pass the exposed seizing twine through the loop. Remove the tape on the looped twine and pull the ends to draw the loop under the seizing.

### STEP 7

Pull the loop through the seized area. This should place the remaining seizing twine under the seized area. Cut off any excess twine.

