

Recommended Line Size

Your 40B XL reel will hold approximately 500 metres of 4 kg line. If fishing near rocks or other hazards use heavier line to help avoid line breakage.

Filling the Spool with Line

Always take the line from the front of the dispenser, never the side. Wind firmly and evenly onto the spool, spreading the line with your fingers to give a smooth casting base. Never stretch a nylon monofilament onto a spool; when it goes back to its original length it will exert strong enough crushing action to damage your spool. Never allow loose coils to develop on your spool through careless uneven winding. Adopt the habit of applying light finger tension when retrieving line and spread it evenly over its bed.



Selecting a Rod

Your rod and reel outfit should be balanced so you can hold it comfortably over long periods. A matched set, which has a point of balance where it's held in the left hand, will give you the most comfortable posture. The ideal rod for this reel should be 1.5 to 2.0m in length.

The use of a short butt brings the reel into a natural position for rewinding with your elbows at your side and without strain.

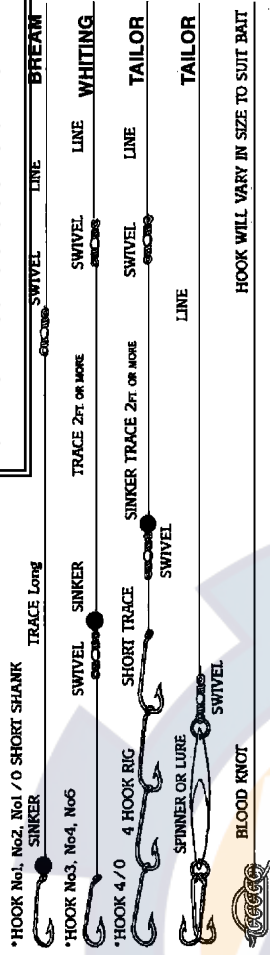


Four easy steps to casting like a champion.



Rigs & Swivels

When used properly a brass swivel is a very inexpensive and efficient way to keep a fishing line in good condition. Curls and twists in a line can be caused by many things, but can be kept to a minimum by the correct use of a swivel.



ALVEY 'B' SERIES

Direct Wind Models

The direct wind series of reels are the ultimate in simplicity. These reels allow the angler to fish with the minimum of fuss and attention to their gear. The light weight allows the serious fisherman to fish extensive hours without tiring. The thrill of controlling a fish without the interference of a non reverse drag action puts the *sport* back in sports fishing. The direct wind reel allows the spool to be completely free running, allowing even the most timid biting fish to take line without interference.

Playing the fish

When you are ready to set the hook lift the rod with a smooth firm action and wind; if the fish runs and demands line release your grip on the handles and palm the spool by applying a gentle pressure on the bottom line surface of the spool.

Swivel Sizes

Line breaking strain	Swivel size
1 – 5 kg	No 14
5 – 8 kg	No 12
8 – 15 kg	No 10
15 – 20 kg	No 9

Swivel must be above sinker

Once the fish has been hooked always keep a bend in the rod by holding it at an angle to the fish. With the power of an Alvey reel you are in control. Do not rush the fish. Allow the fish to tire by keeping a steady pressure on the spool. Many times the fish is lost in the shore break. Keep a steady tension on your line, a bend in the rod and ease the fish ashore.

Fish Alert

When leaving the rod and reel unattended, activate the fish alert on the back of the reel by pushing the button in and down. If a fish takes line a warning noise will be heard. Turn off the alert by pushing in and up on the button.

Maintenance

Use Alvey reel lube for working spindles etc. Then apply light machine oil on handle and index mechanism. After each days fishing wash off salt and sand and lubricate as above before storage.