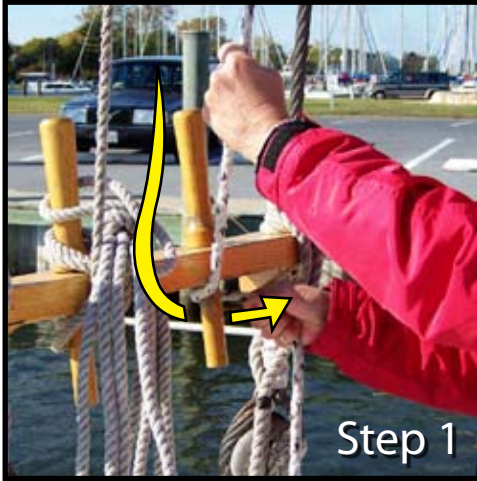


Pins: Securing Lines

The belaying pins on the shroud pinrails act similar to cleats in their function as sites for securing lines. As such, the hitch used to secure lines to them is just a variation of that used for securing halyards and dock lines to cleats.

The line demonstrated here is the jib sheet, which is secured at the port shroud pins. Other lines secured on the pins include the jib lazy jack lines (shown here to the left of the pin being demonstrated), and the boom hoist and line securing the anchor, both of which are tied off on the starboard pins.



Step 1:
Bring the jib sheet down on the left side and around the back of the lower end of the pin.



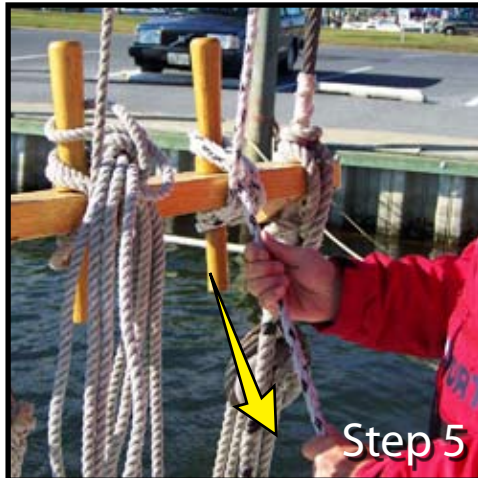
Step 2:
Take the sheet up on the right side and around the back of the upper end of the pin.



Step 3:
Cross the line over the front of the pinrail and bring it down on the right side, taking it behind the lower end of the pin from right to left.



Step 4:
Give the line a counterclockwise half twist and form a loop. Place it over the top of the pin so that the beginning of the loop comes diagonally up and across the front of the cleat and lies over the end of the line, which should lie parallel to the diagonal wrap below it.



Step 5:
Pull on the end to tighten the loop.

Next Lesson:
Coiling the line neatly off the deck after the line has been secured on the pin.

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