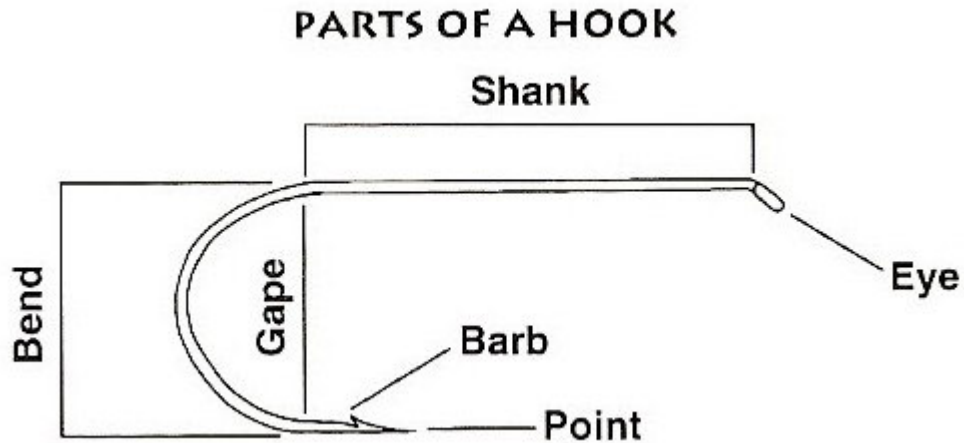


**General Dimensions for Fly Tying**  
(Bill "Woody" Woodward)



**Traditional Dry Fly**

- Tail -- Full hook length
- Body -- Slightly more than 1/2 hook shank length
- Wings -- Front tip of hook eye to mid hook bend
- Hackle length -- 1 1/2 to 2 times hook gap
- Wing location -- 1/4 hook shank length behind hook eye

**Parachute Dry Fly**

- Tail -- Front tip of hook eye to mid hook bend
- Post location -- 1/4 hook shank length behind hook eye
- Hackle length -- 1 1/2 to 2 times hook gap
- Post length -- Front tip of hook eye to mid hook bend

**Comaradun Dry Fly**

- Tail -- Full hook length
- Wing location -- 1/4 hook shank length behind hook eye
- Wing length -- Front tip of hook eye to mid hook bend

**Stonefly Dry Fly**

- Wing -- About a full hook length
- Collar -- 1/2 hook shank length
- Head -- 1/4 hook shank length
- Body -- 3/4 hook shank length
- Tail -- 1/2 to 3/4 hook shank length

**Caddis Dry Fly**

- Body -- 7/8 hook shank length
- Wing -- Slightly more than hook shank length
- Hackle -- 1 1/2 to 2 times the hook gap

### Nymph

- Tail -- 1/2 to 2/3 hook shank length
- Abdomen -- Slightly more than 1/2 hook shank length
- Wingcase -- Slightly less than 1/2 hook shank length
- Beard / Legs -- 1/2 to 2/3 hook shank length

### Streamer and Bucktail

- Tail -- Hook gap length
- Wing -- Up to 1 1/2 hook shank length
- Throat -- 1/3 hook shank length

### Soft Hackle Fly

- Hackle -- Full hook shank length or less
- Abdomen -- 2/3 to 3/4 hook shank length
- Thorax -- 1/4 to 1/3 hook shank length

### Wet Fly

- Hackle -- 1 to 1 1/2 hook gap
- Tail -- Hook shank length or slightly longer
- Body -- Varies by pattern--generally 2/3 to full hook shank length
- Wing -- Usually hook eye to slightly past end of hook bend