

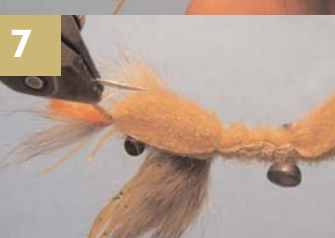
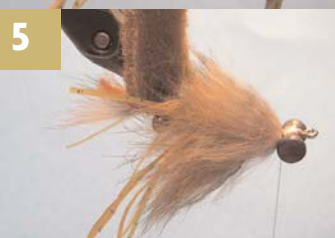


# Full Motion Crayfish

**Hook:** TMC 200R #4 - #8  
**Thread:** UTC 140 (rusty brown)  
**Weight:** Weighted Hourglass eyes (lead or substitute)  
**Antennae:** Antron (orange) & Rabbit Fur (natural brown)  
**Shell:** Furry Foam (tan)  
**Eyes:** Monofilament eyes (large black)  
**Legs:** Living Rubber (pumpkinseed)  
**Rib:** Tying Thread  
**Body:** Zonker Strip (natural brown)

## Tying Instructions

1. Place the hook in the vise, attach thread and tie in hour glass eyes with several crossing wraps of thread. Make a bump in front and rear of the eyes to make them more secure.
2. Tie in the antron yarn around the bend of the hook. Then envelope the rabbit fur around the antron to form the nose of the fly.
3. Turn the hook over in the vise and tie in a strip of furry foam. on what is now the "top" of the hook shank. Make sure you tie in a good amount of the furry foam to create the fore body of the crayfish.
4. Affix mono eyes on top of the furry foam with crossing wraps of thread. and then tie in four strands of rubber legs in the middle at the point where the furry foam meets the hook shank.
5. Tie in a zonker strip behind the rubber legs and wrap the zonker strip around the hook shank to a point just in front of the hourglass eyes. Tie off and trim the zonker strip.
6. Pull the rabbit fur towards the hook point and spiral wrap thread half way up the hook shank. Then pull the furry foam over the top of the fly and secure it with a wrap or two of thread. at the mid point of the hook shank.
7. Rib the abdomen with four or five wraps of tying thread and tie off. Whip finish the thread, trim and then trim the furry foam to leave a short triangle shaped tail.



A solid thread base and a drop of head cement helps keep the eyes in place. This fly will ride hook point up, a real bonus for a bottom crawling crayfish imitation.

The orange antron is very visible and helps fish see the fly. The rabbit fur makes for more motion up front.

The furry foam creates a realistic shell back of a crayfish. It can be tied in a variety of colors to match local crayfish. Tan, beige, rust, olive and brown are favorite colors.

The mono eyes make the fly look finished. They are optional. The rubber legs are an easy way to imitate crayfish legs. They help make the fly come alive.

The rabbit body provides a contrasting and complimentary action. It also adds body to the fly and helps create a more realistic shape to the fly.

Pulling the rabbit fur forward before ribbing the fly will make for a neater fly. Don't worry about trapping some fibers under the abdomen. This area is supposed to be thin in profile.

The finished fly sinks well with the hook point up out of the rocks and with a realistic action. Couple this with its realistic profile and this crayfish pattern will help you catch more fish.



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