

DIY Adjustable Kumihimo Weights for the Disk or Plate

Supplies and Tools:

1. Alligator clips - You want 2" clips that have a split hole on the shank end. These can be found on Amazon.com or in the **electrical supply section** of most hardware stores.
2. Interlock snaps - I chose 1 ½ in length snaps so I can easily adjust weight and they hang past the alligator clip. These can be found in any store that has a **fishing supply section**.
3. Fishing weights - I recommend buying ½, 1 and 2 ounce weights to give a nice variety you can adjust by ½ ounce.
4. Wire - No smaller than 24 gauge, 22 gauge is recommended.
5. Wire cutter
6. Needle nose pliers

Step 1

Cut a piece of wire at least 6 inches long and fold in half gently and string on an interlock snap (See Figure 1).



Figure 1



Figure 2

Step 2

Thread the two end of the wire through the split hole on the shank of an alligator clip (See Figure 2). Pull tight with pliers if necessary so the interlock snap sits flush with the alligator clip but can still move freely.

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Step 3

Use your needle nose pliers to twist the wire close to the alligator clip. Clip the wires leaving less than $\frac{1}{2}$ of twisted wire (See Figure 3).

Step 4

Gently open the tube end of your alligator clip using your needle nose pliers. You only need to open the tube enough to tuck your twisted wire down. Tuck your twisted wire in to the open tube area and then gently squeeze the tube back together using your pliers.

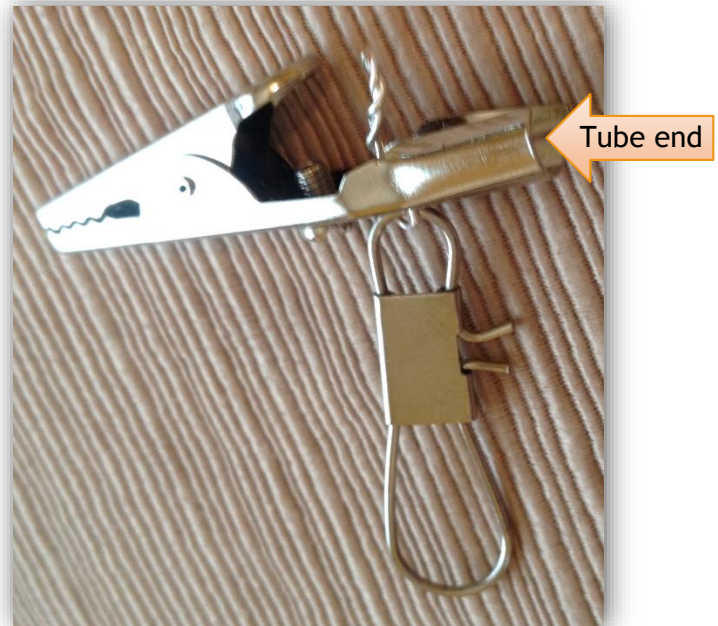


Figure 3

Step 5

Open your interlock snap, thread desired weight(s) and braid!



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