Utah Killer Bug – version 1

**Material List**

Hook: Wet Fly/Nymph Size 12 or 14 for crane fly larva or Caddis pupae/scud hook size 10-18 for scud imitation

Weight: .015/.020 Lead or Lead free 6-10 wraps depending on hook

Thread: Red or Pink 6/0

Body: Jamieson’s Shetland Spindrift – Oyster (290)

1) Place hook in vise and wind 8 – 10 wraps of weight material around shank. Position weight in middle of shank and cement in place using Zap-a-Gap or SuperGlue. Let set/dry. Alternative would be to lock weight in with thread. Your choice.

2) Tie in the yarn one eye width behind eye of hook and tie down the shank to the hook bend.

3) Wrap thread forming a tapered body. Each end of the body should be narrow with the mid-section thicker. Make sure to cover all of the weight material.

4) Advance thread to tie in point behind the hook eye. At this point you have two options. The first produces a segmented body. To achieve this look twist the two strands of wool together and then wrap the yarn to hook eye and tie off. For a smoother body, untwist the two stands and wrap up the hook shank. You might need to wrap an extra layer over the mid-section to get a fuller profile. Your choice. Tie off and cement the head.
Utah Killer Bug – version 2

Material List

Hook: Wet Fly/Nymph Size 12 or 14 for crane fly larva or Caddis pupae/scud hook size 10-18 for scud imitation
Weight: Ultrawire Medium – Red or Pink
Thread: Red or Pink 6/0 (matching the wire)
Body: Jamieson’s Shetland Spindrift – Oyster (290)

1) Tie in wire to bend of hook. Return thread to tie in point and tie in yarn and tie down shank to just before the end of the wire. This will be the space for the wire tag. Return thread to tie in point behind the hook eye.

2) Wrap wire forming tag behind yarn. When wire reaches yarn, wrap loosely to about 1/3 of hook shank then wrap wire so each coil touches previous. Continue wrapping wire to about ¼ of hook shank remains. Tie off the wire.

3) As with the previous version, you can form either a segmented body or a smooth body. For a segmented body, twist the yarn strands tightly, then wrap forward and tie off. Form head and apply cement.

For a smooth body, untwist the yarn strands then wrap forward on hook shank. You may need to wrap an additional layer to get a thicker mid-section. Tie off the yarn, form a head and apply cement.