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Ribbon Tying Configurations

Ribbon:
All ribbon should be angle cut. Using a 45º angle across each end of the ribbon.

Loopy Bow Directions:

1. Measure the desired tail length from the end of the ribbon and make a loop on each side of your thumb
2. If a center loop is needed, measure the desired tail length from the end of the ribbon and make the center loop before the bow loops
3. Continue making loops on each side of your thumb until the desired number is reached (for a ten-loop bow, make five loops on each side)
4. Wrap the center with wire and twist at the back to secure
5. If a center loop was made, insert the wire through it before twisting the ends at the back
6. Trim the wire ends
7. Cut each tail diagonally
8. Another method of securing the bow is to wrap a ribbon length around the center and tie it at the back-this also adds another set of tails

Puffy Bow Directions:

1. If a center loop is required, begin with one end of the ribbon length and make the center loop
2. Twist the ribbon to keep the right side showing
3. If no center loop is called for begin with step 4
4. Make a loop on one side of your thumb
5. Give the ribbon another twist and make another loop on the other side of your thumb
6. Continue making loops and twists until the desired number is reached (a ten-loop bos has five loops on each side), ending with a twist

For Tails:

1. Bring the end of the ribbon length up and hold at the bottom of the bow-this will make a long loop which will be cut later. (Optional: Long loops are made in the same way as the tails. Measure the loop length, hold the tail at the required spot, then repeat to add in another long loop or the tails.)
2. Insert a wire through the center loop, bring the ends to the back and twist securely.
3. Cut the tails to the desired lengths
4. Trim each tail diagonally or in a "V"