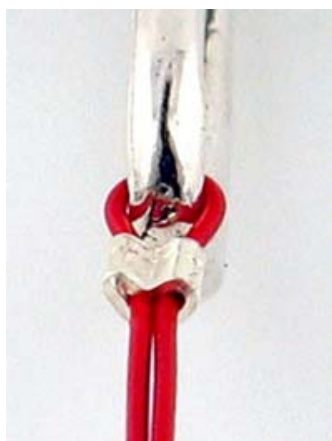


Crimping Pliers: Crimping Technique

The jaws of the conventional style crimping plier are shown here.



Step 1 of the crimping process is to thread the correct size crimp tube onto your stringing wire. Pass the wire through the clasp, jump ring or whatever you are placing on the end of the wire and then back through the crimp tube to end up looking like the picture on the left. Make sure that the two wires lie next to each other and are not crossing over each other.



Step 2 using the crimper notch of the plier gently compress the crimp to create shape illustrated in the picture.



Step 3 uses the rounder notch of the pliers. Rotate the crimp made above through 90 degrees and using the rounder gently compress the crimp, again rotate the crimp 90 degrees and again gently compress, rotate a final 90 degrees and repeat the compression for one final time. This should leave a secure and nice looking cylindrical crimp. Using flush cutters the trim the end of the wire that is unwanted back to the crimp. The finished crimp could now be covered with a crimp cover if wished.

