

Layered Chains – Basic Directions

Class exercise ring size:

- 16 AWG (1.29mm) 0.172” (4.4mm)
- 16 AWG (1.29mm) 0.469” (11.9mm)

Adapted from “Layered Chains” by Anne E. Mitchell, in *Bead and Button*, August 2011. The following method of construction allows the large jump rings to be fused.

1. Close a small jump ring onto a large jump ring, and attach a tail wire.



2. Close 2 small jump rings through the first small jump ring.



3. Close 2 small jump rings through the previous pair of small jump rings, AND through a new large jump ring.



4. Close 2 small jump rings through the previous pair of small jump rings.



5. Arrange the chain so the large jump ring from step 4 is on top of the earlier large jump ring. Close 2 small jump rings through the previous pair of small jump rings, AND through the large jump ring on the bottom of the chain, AND through a new large jump ring.



6. Repeat the previous 2 steps until the chain is the desired length.

7. When the chain is the desired length, close 2 small jump rings through the previous pair of small jump rings.



8. Close 2 small jump rings through the previous pair of small jump rings, AND through the large jump ring on the bottom of the chain.



9. Close 2 small jump rings through the previous pair of small jump rings.



10. End the chain with a small jump ring through the last pair of small jump rings and the large jump ring at the end of the chain.



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