

Stimulator, Yellow

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Recipe

Hook: Tiemco TMC200R, Size 8
Thread: Uni 6/0, orange
Abdomen: Fluorescent yellow
Antron yarn
Rib: Brown hackle,
undersized and counter-
wrapped with small gold
wire
Tail: Bleached elk hair
Wing: Bleached elk hair
Thorax: Amber African goat
dubbing
Hackle: Grizzly



Randall Kaufmann, probably based on some earlier patterns such as the Sofa Pillow, developed the Stimulator. It can be used either as an attractor pattern or to match the golden stonefly hatch that overlaps with the tail end of the salmon fly hatch. By this time the fish have seen many salmon fly imitations and have often become quite picky. These very same fish however often grab a golden stonefly imitation.

The Stimulator can be tied in different colors and sizes to match stoneflies ranging from salmon flies tied on a #4 hook to yellow sallies tied on a #16 hook. An effective attractor variation, the Royal Stimulator, has a royal coachmen style abdomen.