

**"A Sequence of Multiple Cracks
Is Called a FLASH."**

A FLASH is a showy way to crack a whip. The name derives from the area where the crack originated or from the use of the crack. For example, the Queensland Flash comes from Queensland (Australia).

In the Wild West days, some stage coach drivers had particular Flashes associated with their stage lines. One sequence called the Wells Fargo Flash had 6 cracks—one for each horse. When residents of a town heard specific cracking from afar, they could tell which stage line was coming into town.

TIMING TERMS

For Two-Handed Whip Cracking

Together Time: Both whips are cracked in unison, at the same time.

Staggered Time: One whip lags behind the other one slightly.

Balanced Time: The two whips crack alternately. For example, in a two-handed volley, the result is a steady crack-crack-crack-crack to the front, first with right hand, then left hand, then right hand, etc.

SAFETY FIRST

Remember to protect your eyes. Always wear eye protection.

A hat with a brim will protect your nose and ears.

Long sleeves will help diminish an inadvertent whack to your forearms.



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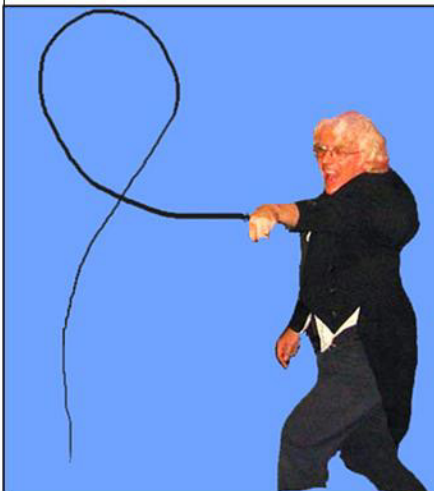
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**Multiple Cracks:
FAST FIGURE 8s,
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