Claims

[Claim 1]

A reel seat comprising a seat body, the seat body comprising:

a reel foot placing portion for placing a reel foot of a fishing reel;

a cylindrical portion with an open hole into which a rear end of a rod is fittable and fixable;

a movable hood that is movable in an axial direction and fixable to the reel foot placed on the reel foot placing portion, the axial direction being coaxial with the open hole;

a nut member that is fitted to the movable hood so as to move the movable hood in the axial direction while keeping the movable hood from rotating; and

a click mechanism that is provided at a fitting area of the movable hood and the nut member,

characterized in that the click mechanism comprises:

a plate spring;

a recess and a protrusion that are formed on an inner surface of the nut member, the recess and protrusion configured to generate a clicking sound; and

an arc-shaped recess that is formed in the outer surface of the movable hood, the arc-shaped recess for installing the plate spring,

wherein the plate spring comprises an apex that is engageable with the recess and protrusion to thereby generate the clicking sound.

[Claim 2]

The reel seat of claim 1, wherein the plate spring and the arc-

shaped recess are formed in such a manner that a gap is formed between an end face of the plate spring and an inner wall of the recess when the plate spring is installed in the arc-shaped recess; and

when the nut member is rotated, the plate spring is pressed by an elastic engagement between the recess and protrusion and the apex, and an end face of the plate spring makes contact with the inner wall of the recess.

[Claim 3]

The reel seat of claim 1 or 2, wherein the recess includes a sloped face formed on the inner wall of the recess so that the plate spring installed in the recess is kept from slipping outward in a radial direction that is perpendicular to the axial direction.

[Claim 4]

The reel seat of any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein a radius of curvature of the apex of the plate spring is larger than a surface of the recess and protrusion of the nut member.

[Claim 5]

The reel seat of any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein:

a thickness T of the plate spring is 0.15 mm to 0.5 mm,

a range θ in which the recess is formed in a circumferential direction, relative to the axial direction, is 50° to 120°, and

a depth D of the recess is 0.5 mm to 1.5 mm.

[Claim 6]

A fishing rod comprising the reel seat of any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein the reel seat is attachable to the fishing rod.