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# SLICKCAST

→ Eight new fly lines built with our brand new SlickCast; the slickest, most durable coating on the market.



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# OUT ~~C~~AST

## Out Shoot. Out Drift. Out Fish.

What's most tangible about RIO's SlickCast lines is just how slick they are. You'll feel the slickness before you even have a chance to spool it up, you'll love the slickness on your first cast, and you'll be stunned by the slickness after countless days on the water. Whether it's the extra distance that comes with ease, or the extended drag-free drifts, SlickCast lines slip effortlessly through your rod guides. And, as essential slickening agents constantly migrate to the exterior surface, you can trust your SlickCast line to be as slick next season as the day you bought it.



# SLICKCAST

The slickest, most durable coating on the market—producing the least amount of friction ever measured on a fly line.

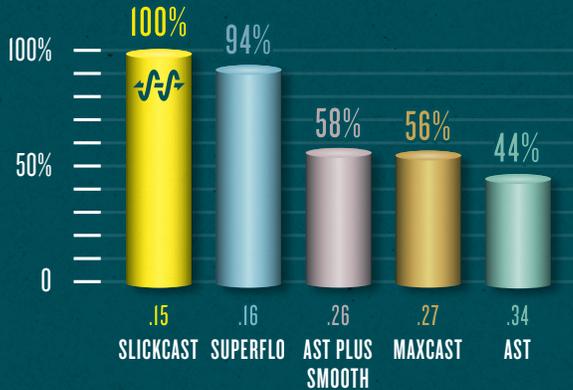
# OUT LAST

## Out Live. Out Wear. Out Perform.

What isn't tangible about RIO's SlickCast is the durability. You certainly won't appreciate it on Day 1...you'll be too busy drooling over your casts. You'll start to recognize it on Day 25, you'll appreciate it on Day 50, and you'll be blown away by it on Day 80. SlickCast's proprietary formulation is off the charts when tested for abrasion and cracking resistance—producing the toughest, most durable fly line coating in the world. You can count on your SlickCast line to outlast every other fly line you have ever fished.

# SLICKCAST TESTING

## SLICKNESS COMPARISON



## LOWEST FRICTION AVAILABLE

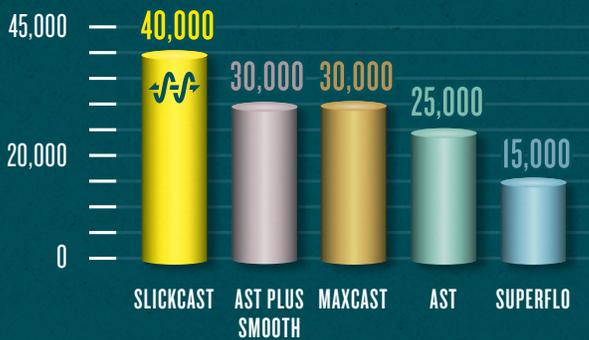
ON ANY FLY LINE—PERIOD.

Fly line slickness is the most important factor for getting distance and for feeding slack on drifts. Simply, the slicker a line is, the more effective and efficient you will fish due to easier distance and extended drag-free drifts.

**TESTING METHOD** – To test the fly line slickness, we weave a sample through a series of chrome bars. One end is tied to a weight, and we pull the other end to start the line moving and maintain its motion. We measure the force it takes to start the line moving, as well as the force required to maintain motion. The higher the forces required the more friction the line has—not good for long casts and shooting line.

← **HOW TO READ THIS CHART** – SlickCast sets the new standard for fly line slickness, and this chart compares other coating technology's slickness as a percentage of SlickCast (SlickCast set at 100%). For reference, the average recorded sliding coefficient of friction value is called out below each technology column.

## CYCLES BEFORE CRACKING



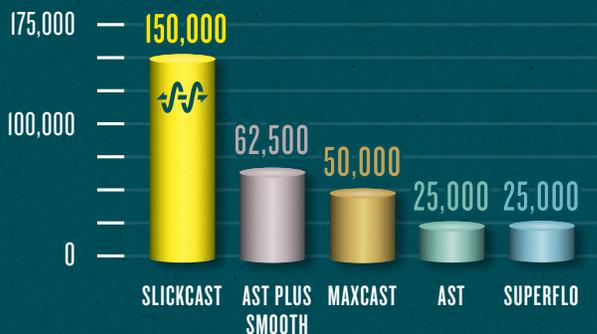
## 33% MORE FISHING TIME BEFORE CRACKING THAN THE NEXT BEST TECHNOLOGY

Fly lines crack over time and use. The more durable a fly line coating is, the longer a fly line will last before it cracks, and the more fishing time you get out of a line.

**TESTING METHOD** – We replicate the conditions that cause a fly line to crack (usage) by attaching a weight on one end of the line and pulling the fly line back and forth continuously through our lab version of a rod tip top, and record the number of cycles it takes until we see the first sign of cracking.

← **HOW TO READ THIS CHART** – This chart shows the average number of cycles from a variety of technologies that were tested in the lab. From it you can see that lines built with SlickCast average 10,000 more cycles than the next best technology—that's a 33% increase in fishing time.

## CYCLES BEFORE ABRASION



## 140% TOUGHER COATING

THAN THE NEXT BEST TECHNOLOGY

As fly lines get used, the action of the line moving through rod guides gradually wears off (abrades) the surface of the coating. As abrasion appears on the coating, the line gets rougher and doesn't shoot or float as well. The longer a line lasts before abrasion, the higher the line's performance.

**TESTING METHOD** – To test abrasion resistance, we attach a weight to one end of the line, drape it over a chrome bar, and cycle it back and forth over the bar, rubbing the same section of coating until it starts to abrade.

← **HOW TO READ THIS CHART** – This chart shows the average number of cycles from a variety of technologies that were tested in the lab. From it you can see that lines built with SlickCast average nearly 90,000 more cycles than the next best technology—that's a 140% tougher coating.





# CORE TECHNOLOGIES



**ConnectCore Plus**

Building a better fly line starts at the core, and our low-stretch ConnectCore Plus provides a radical increase in line durability, coating smoothness and overall performance. ConnectCore Plus stretches 30% less than standard cores, and gives anglers all the benefits of a low-stretch core—enhanced sensitivity, less wasted energy and faster hook sets—with a significantly longer lifespan. It also allows hand stretching to easily remove memory coils for a more direct connection to fish and fly.

The highest-performing, longest-lasting freshwater lines in the world are built around ConnectCore Plus.

ConnectCore Plus is only found on **ELITE** tier fly lines.

# COATING TECHNOLOGIES



**SlickCast**

RIO's SlickCast creates the slickest, most durable coating on the market—producing the least amount of friction ever measured on a fly line. What does slick get you? For starters, line flies through the guides with higher line speeds for unprecedented and easy distance. The slick coating also allows anglers to fish more effectively as line slides out of the guides with less friction for extended drag-free drifts.

Additionally, SlickCast continuously releases essential slickening agents that migrate to the line's surface. This ensures that the line remains as slick as the day it was made—giving anglers many years of high performance and easy distance.

As for durability, SlickCast's proprietary formulation produces the toughest and most durable fly line coating in the world. Lab tests show that a line built with SlickCast lasts **140% longer** than our nearest competitor in abrasion testing and lasts **33% longer** when testing a fly line for cracking—that is one tough fly line!



**MaxFloat Tip**

Tired of floating lines that sink? Fact is, the reduced coating at the narrow, tapered end of most floating lines doesn't have enough buoyancy to stay above water. MaxFloat Tip Technology floats more than twice as high as regular line tips, without any increase in diameter. That puts maximum floatation right where you need it for reduced drag, longer presentations and quieter pickups.

# LINE FEATURES

**SUREFIRE** is our exclusive, triple color marking system that improves casting accuracy by making it easy to gauge exact distances with a quick glance.

**DUALTONE** is a system perfected by RIO that marks the sweet spot of a fly line by providing an obvious color change in the line at the sweet spot.

**FRONT & BACK WELDED LOOPS** are neat, bulletproof loops welded on the end for fast rigging.

**EASY ID** is RIO's printed line marking system that allows anglers to quickly and easily identify each line.





### TROUT SERIES

## Elite RIO Gold



#### TECHNOLOGY:

- ConnectCore Plus
- SlickCast
- MaxFloat Tip

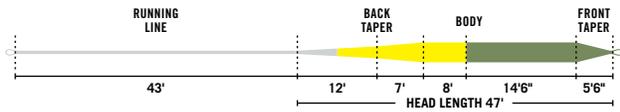
#### FEATURES:

- SureFire
- EasyID
- Front Loop
- Back Loop



### Elite RIO Gold

Example: WF5F  
Overall Length: 90'



#### THE ULTIMATE, ALL-AROUND fly line with low-stretch, ultra-slick performance.

- Long head for ultimate casting control
- Built with RIO's exceptionally slick, durable SlickCast
- Low-stretch ConnectCore Plus for the best in casting control, performance and smoothness
- Features RIO's SureFire tricolored measuring system for increased accuracy and distance control
- Taper design to cast flies between #22 and #2

The ELITE RIO GOLD has a taper design that gives incredible loop stability at distance and a front taper that delivers perfect presentation of flies between sizes #2 and #22. With a long head and back taper this line is an excellent all around fly line on rivers and lakes when long casts and complete line control are required. The low stretch core creates the smoothest, most durable fly lines ever made, with incredible levels of sensitivity when casting and fishing, and provides enhanced detection of takes, faster hook sets, and far greater control when playing a fish.

In addition, this line is built with SlickCast, creating the slickest, most durable coating on the market—producing the least amount of friction ever measured in a fly line.

SKU	Size	Head Length	Overall Length	Sink Rate	Color	Price
<b>Elite RIO Gold</b>						
6-19268	WF4F	46ft / 14m	90ft / 27.4m	Float	Moss / Gold / Gray	MSRP: \$119.99
6-19269	WF5F	47ft / 14.3m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19270	WF6F	48ft / 14.6m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19271	WF7F	49ft / 14.9m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19272	WF8F	50ft / 15.2m	90ft / 27.4m			

### TROUT SERIES

## Elite RIO Grand



#### TECHNOLOGY:

- ConnectCore Plus
- SlickCast
- MaxFloat Tip

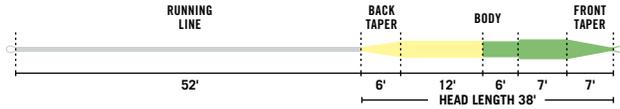
#### FEATURES:

- SureFire
- EasyID
- Front Loop
- Back Loop



### Elite RIO Grand

Example: WF5F  
Overall Length: 90'



#### DESIGNED FOR FAST-ACTION fly rods, with low-stretch, ultra-slick performance.

- A full line size heavier to easily load fast rods
- Built with RIO's exceptionally slick, durable SlickCast
- Low-stretch ConnectCore Plus for the best in casting control, performance and smoothness
- Features RIO's SureFire tricolored measuring system for increased accuracy and distance control
- Front loaded, short head

The ELITE RIO GRAND is a full line size heavier than the industry standard, and features more weight distributed towards the front of the line to easily load faster action fly rods. The low stretch core gives incredible levels of sensitivity when casting and fishing, and provides enhanced detection of takes, faster hook sets, and far greater control when playing a fish. The RIO Grand is the best choice of line for the modern, fast action fly rod.

In addition, this line is built with SlickCast, creating the slickest, most durable coating on the market—producing the least amount of friction ever measured in a fly line.

SKU	Size	Head Length	Overall Length	Sink Rate	Color	Price
<b>Elite RIO Grand</b>						
6-19273	WF4F	37ft / 11.2m	90ft / 27.4m	Float	Green / Yellow / Gray	MSRP: \$119.99
6-19274	WF5F	37ft / 11.2m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19275	WF6F	39ft / 11.8m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19276	WF7F	40ft / 12.1m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19277	WF8F	41ft / 12.5m	90ft / 27.4m			





### TROUT SERIES

## Elite RIO Perception



#### TECHNOLOGY:

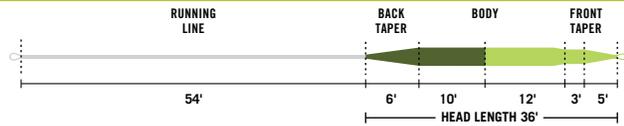
- ConnectCore Plus
- SlickCast
- MaxFloat Tip

#### FEATURES:

- SureFire
- EasyID
- Front Loop
- Back Loop

### Elite RIO Perception

Example: WF5F  
Overall Length: 90'



### EASY CASTING ALL-AROUND TROUT LINE, with low-stretch, ultra-slick performance.

- Easy casting taper design for great all-around performance
- Built with RIO's exceptionally slick, durable SlickCast
- Low-stretch ConnectCore Plus for the best in casting control, performance and smoothness
- Features RIO's SureFire tricolored measuring system for increased accuracy and distance control

The ELITE RIO PERCEPTION is an easy casting, general purpose fly line that casts nymphs, dry flies, streamers and soft hackles with ease. The short head makes this a particularly good line on smaller rivers and lakes when long distance line control is not necessary. The low stretch core gives incredible levels of sensitivity when casting and fishing, and provides enhanced detection of takes, faster hook sets, and far greater control when playing a fish.

In addition, this line is built with SlickCast, creating the slickest, most durable coating on the market—producing the least amount of friction ever measured in a fly line.

SKU	Size	Head Length	Overall Length	Sink Rate	Color	Price
<b>Elite RIO Perception</b>						
6-19282	WF3F	35ft / 10.7m	80ft / 24m	Float	Green / Camo / Gray	MSRP: \$119.99
6-19283	WF4F	36ft / 11m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19284	WF5F	36ft / 11m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19285	WF6F	36ft / 11m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19286	WF7F	37ft / 11.2m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19287	WF8F	38ft / 11.6m	90ft / 27.4m			

### TROUT SERIES

## Elite Technical Trout



#### TECHNOLOGY:

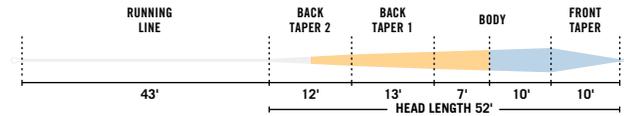
- ConnectCore Plus
- SlickCast
- MaxFloat Tip

#### FEATURES:

- SureFire
- EasyID
- Front Loop
- Back Loop

### Elite Technical Trout

Example: WF5F  
Overall Length: 90'



### SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED FOR delicate presentations of small flies to technical feeders at range, with low-stretch, ultra-slick performance.

- Long front taper turns over flies with delicacy and precision
- Built with RIO's exceptionally slick, durable SlickCast
- Low-stretch ConnectCore Plus for the best in casting control, performance and smoothness
- Features RIO's SureFire tricolored measuring system for increased accuracy and distance control
- Extended head and back taper increases loop control when carrying long lengths of line

RIO's ELITE TECHNICAL TROUT line features a long, fine front taper for the lightest of presentations and delicacy and is the ideal choice of line when fishing dry flies, nymphs, soft hackles and emergers to tricky eaters at distance. The line has a long head and back taper to increase loop control when carrying long lengths, and for making precise casts to rising fish, while the weight distribution makes it easy to turn over long leaders for technical feeders at range. The low stretch core provides incredible levels of sensitivity when casting and fishing.

In addition, this line is built with SlickCast, creating the slickest, most durable coating on the market—producing the least amount of friction ever measured in a fly line.

SKU	Size	Head Length	Overall Length	Sink Rate	Color	Price
<b>Elite Technical Trout</b>						
6-19278	WF3F	45ft / 13.7m	80ft / 24m	Float	Sky Blue / Peach / Gray	MSRP: \$119.99
6-19279	WF4F	49ft / 14.9m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19280	WF5F	52ft / 15.8m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19281	WF6F	54ft / 16.5m	90ft / 27.4m			





**TROUT SERIES**  
**RIO Gold**



**TECHNOLOGY:**

- SlickCast
- MaxFloat Tip

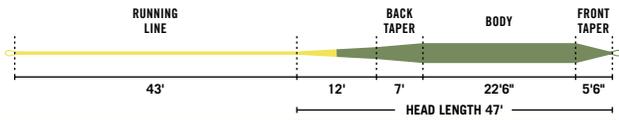
**FEATURES:**

- DualTone
- EasyID
- Front Loop
- Back Loop



**RIO Gold**

Example: WF5F  
Overall Length: 90'



**THE ULTIMATE, ALL-AROUND**  
floating line for trout with ultra-slick  
performance.

- Long head for ultimate casting control
- Built with RIO's exceptionally slick, durable SlickCast
- Front biased weight to load rods at close range
- Taper design to cast flies between #22 and #2

The RIO GOLD has a revolutionary taper design that gives incredible loop stability at distance, a unique profile that allows a rod to load at close range and a front taper that delivers perfect presentation of flies between sizes #22 and #2. The RIO Gold is the ultimate all round, floating line for the trout fly fisher and is built with "MaxFloat Tip" technology, RIO's proprietary tip coating formula that floats more than twice as high as regular line tips, without any increase in diameter.

In addition, this line is built with SlickCast, creating the slickest, most durable coating on the market—producing the least amount of friction ever measured in a fly line.

SKU	Size	Head Length	Overall Length	Sink Rate	Color	Price
<b>RIO Gold</b>						
6-19230	WF3F	45ft / 13.7m	80ft / 24m	Float	Moss / Gold	MSRP: \$89.99
6-19231	WF4F	46ft / 14m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19232	WF5F	47ft / 14.3m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19233	WF6F	48ft / 14.6m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19234	WF7F	49ft / 14.9m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19235	WF8F	50ft / 15.2m	90ft / 27.4m	Float	Melon / Gray Dun	
6-19236	WF9F	50ft / 15.2m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19237	WF4F	46ft / 14m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19238	WF5F	47ft / 14.3m	90ft / 27.4m	Float	Orange	
6-19239	WF6F	48ft / 14.6m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19242	WF4F	46ft / 14m	90ft / 27.4m	Float	Lumalux	
6-19243	WF5F	47ft / 14.3m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19244	WF6F	48ft / 14.6m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19240	WF5F	47ft / 14.3m	90ft / 27.4m	Float	Lumalux	
6-19241	WF6F	48ft / 14.6m	90ft / 27.4m			
<b>RIO Gold Enviro 5-Pack</b>						
6-19247	WF5F	47ft / 14.3m	90ft / 27.4m	Float	Moss / Gold	MSRP: \$429.99

**TROUT SERIES**  
**RIO Grand**



**TECHNOLOGY:**

- SlickCast
- MaxFloat Tip

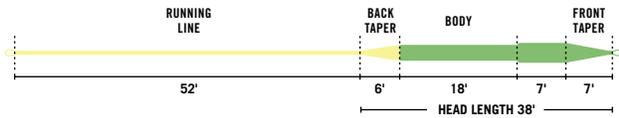
**FEATURES:**

- DualTone
- EasyID
- Front Loop
- Back Loop



**RIO Grand**

Example: WF5F  
Overall Length: 90'



**DESIGNED FOR** fast-action fly rods with  
ultra-slick performance.

- A full line size heavier to easily load fast rods
- Built with RIO's exceptionally slick, durable SlickCast
- Front loaded, short head
- Built with a supple, coldwater core and coating

The RIO GRAND is a full line size heavier than the industry standard, and features more weight distributed towards the front of the line to easily load faster action fly rods. The line has a short head that is easy to cast, and is built with "MaxFloat Tip" technology, RIO's proprietary tip coating formula that floats more than twice as high as regular line tips, without any increase in diameter.

In addition, this line is built with SlickCast, creating the slickest, most durable coating on the market—producing the least amount of friction ever measured in a fly line.

SKU	Size	Head Length	Overall Length	Sink Rate	Color	Price
<b>RIO Grand</b>						
6-19248	WF3F	36ft / 10.9m	80ft / 24.4m	Float	Pale Green / Light Yellow	MSRP: \$89.99
6-19249	WF4F	37ft / 11.2m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19250	WF5F	37ft / 11.2m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19251	WF6F	39ft / 11.8m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19252	WF7F	40ft / 12.1m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19253	WF8F	41ft / 12.5m	90ft / 27.4m	Float	Camo / Tan	
6-19254	WF9F	42ft / 12.8m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19255	WF4F	37ft / 11.2m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19256	WF5F	37ft / 11.2m	90ft / 27.4m	Float	Camo / Tan	
6-19257	WF6F	39ft / 11.8m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19258	WF7F	40ft / 12.1m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19259	WF8F	41ft / 12.5m	90ft / 27.4m			





## TROUT SERIES RIO Perception



### TECHNOLOGY:

- SlickCast
- MaxFloat Tip

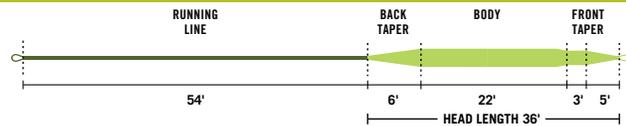
### FEATURES:

- DualTone
- EasyID
- Front Loop
- Back Loop



### RIO Perception

Example: WF5F  
Overall Length: 90'



### EASY CASTING ALL-AROUND TROUT LINE, with ultra-slick performance.

- Easy casting taper design for great all-around performance
- Built with RIO's exceptionally slick, durable SlickCast
- Shorter head length for quick loading and ideal on smaller rivers and lakes
- EasyID on front and back taper for fast line recognition

The RIO PERCEPTION is an easy casting, general purpose fly line that casts nymphs, dry flies, streamers and soft hackles with ease. The short head makes this a particularly good line on smaller rivers and lakes when long distance line control is not necessary. The line features MaxFloat Tip Technology, RIO's proprietary tip coating formula that floats more than twice as high as regular line tips, without any increase in diameter.

In addition, this line is built with SlickCast, creating the slickest, most durable coating on the market—producing the least amount of friction ever measured in a fly line.

SKU	Size	Head Length	Overall Length	Sink Rate	Color	Price
<b>RIO Perception</b>						
6-19288	WF3F	35ft / 10.7m	80ft / 24.4m	Float	Green / Camo	MSRP: \$89.99
6-19289	WF4F	36ft / 11.0m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19290	WF5F	36ft / 11.0m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19291	WF6F	36ft / 11.0m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19292	WF7F	37ft / 11.3m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19293	WF8F	38ft / 11.6m	90ft / 27.4m			

## TROUT SERIES Technical Trout



### TECHNOLOGY:

- SlickCast
- MaxFloat Tip

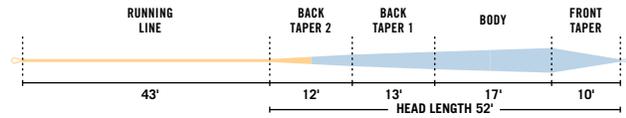
### FEATURES:

- DualTone
- EasyID
- Front Loop
- Back Loop



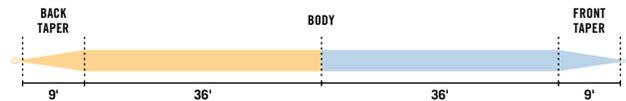
### Technical Trout WF

Example: WF5F  
Overall Length: 90'



### Technical Trout DT

Example: DT5F  
Overall Length: 90'



### SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED FOR delicate presentations of small flies to technical feeders at range with ultra-slick performance.

- Long front taper turns over flies with delicacy and precision
- Built with RIO's exceptionally slick, durable SlickCast
- Extended head and back taper increases loop control when carrying long lengths of line
- Specifically designed to turn over long leaders for technical trout

RIO's TECHNICAL TROUT line features a long, fine front taper for the lightest of presentations and delicacy and is the ideal choice of line when fishing dry flies, nymphs, soft hackles and emergers to tricky eaters at distance. The line has a long head and back taper to increase loop control when carrying long lengths, and for making precise casts to rising fish, while the weight distribution makes it easy to turn over long leaders for technical feeders at range.

In addition, this line is built with SlickCast, creating the slickest, most durable coating on the market—producing the least amount of friction ever measured in a fly line.

This line is available in both Weight Forward and Double Taper options and is built with a supple core and coldwater coating.

SKU	Size	Head Length	Overall Length	Sink Rate	Color	Price
<b>Technical Trout WF</b>						
6-19260	WF3F	45ft / 13.7m	80ft / 24m	Float	Sky Blue / Peach	MSRP: \$89.99
6-19261	WF4F	49ft / 14.9m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19262	WF5F	52ft / 15.8m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19263	WF6F	54ft / 16.5m	90ft / 27.4m			
<b>Technical Trout DT</b>						
6-19264	DT3F	80ft / 24m	80ft / 24m	Float	Sky Blue / Peach	MSRP: \$89.99
6-19265	DT4F	80ft / 24m	80ft / 24m			
6-19266	DT5F	90ft / 27.4m	90ft / 27.4m			
6-19267	DT6F	90ft / 27.4m	90ft / 27.4m			

