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The problem I and my friends have had with the CSR and LSR reels from cabelas is that they drags stink, they have a lot of start up inertia out of the box which reluts in a lot of break-offs on steelhead. In addition if they get the least bit dirty or take a dunk the drag totally binds up.

The SLA has a great drag and is light but changing spools is in pain in the butt and I have ruined several lines by getting the line caught between the frame and the spool. They also have a really small line capacity.

I second the vote for for the traditional rod series too but they are heavier and don't have as stiff a butt as I like.....but the Sli, FT, and PT are also good rods for the money, too. I have cast but not fished these. I have an LST also....I'm a little less thrilled with it.....it is heavy and doesn't load the best at short distances.

The prestige plus has a great, realiable drag, has a great mid arbor design which gives you a good rate of retrieve and a good line capacity. If you can stand a little heavier reel and the fact that it is cast and not machined (who cares? - haven't had a cast reel crack yet), the prestige plus is a great reel. On sale for \$40 now.