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Re: Tippet size; it's your thing!

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As for trout.....I learned to fish dries on the LL using 7x and 8x to picky fish, so I'm very comfortable and just plain used to using smaller tippet for dries. I don't think I've ever fished 5x for dry flies. 4x-5x for regular nymphing, 6-7x when nymphing midges.

Streamers are usually 3x.

I know a lot of people think 7x and 8x aren't necessary but yesterday when there were no visible hatches and fish weren't taking anything I tossed even though there were consistent rises, it took me going down to 8x after a few fly changes to start picking them up on AI's rats. They wouldn't touch one on 7x. As soon as the tiny tippet was on, they came to hand one after another.

But then again, these were very pressured fish.

For bass, steelhead, carp, etc, I go much heavier.