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Ironically, I bought a used Sage VPS about 5 years ago thinking that it was an older and therefore more durable rod. Wrong! I snapped the tip section for the third time last year. I haven't even sent it back yet for repairs. If anybody wants to buy a VPS490 with a broken tip, let me know.

Lesson learned: Older rods do not necessarily equate to more durable rods... no matter how end or low end the name.[/quote]

I don't think we're talking about the same thing with a Sage VPS rod as being "old". When were they manufactured?

Two of my favorite rods were made in the 80's. A Thomas & Thomas Supralite 7 1/2' 4 weight that weighs 2 oz. and a Sage 480 RP that weighs in at 2 1/2 oz. Extremely heavy rods (sigh) that battled quite a few branches.