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Right overlining just moves the window of ranges at which a rod casts well closer to you. For brookies, I just put 3w lines on 2w rods and cast medium sized dry flies well from 15 to 35 feet instead of 20 to 40 ft.

You cast the weight of the line, and rods might be built to cast about 40 ft of the line weight the rod is labeled with. If you usually make shorter casts, because you fish small streams, then a heavier line may work better.

As swattie noted there is a compromise on a rare long pool on a brookie stream, but why set a rod up for 5% of the casts?

Yard cast with a tape measure .... Setting a rod to feel good at 50 ft may involve moving the window of ranges at which it casts efficiently away from you. This can make it less effective at real world 15-20 ft casts on small streams.