
Subject: : Paflyfish General Forum

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BB,

If you have a S4 in a 5 weight.....it's pretty much already a 6 weight rod. I'm thinking that you could use a rod from 7' - 10' on the Lacawanna depending on the section or the users casting ability.

I do 90% of my fishing on the Delaware or one of the branches. I use a 9' - 5 weight rod for dries, 10' - 6 weight for nymphing and a 10' - 7 weight for streamers. I think I own 10 rods and only 2 are less than 9' long (7'9" & 8'6" both are 3 weights).

Your S4 is a cannon and should be more than able to handle the D or windy conditions on bigger water. I'm still confused what you are looking for. You've got a great rod that can handle anything from dries to streamers and a shorter rod for smaller waters.

If I were going to point you in any direction, I'd say to use the S4 for nymphing / streamers. Get a different 5 weight that is slightly softer and make that your dry rod. I'll go back to my suggestions for a Legend Elite or a A4. If price isn't an issue, get a Helios mid-flex. You may find the slightly softer rod easier to cast as well.