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Becker,

I have a Echo Pete Ericson Shadow 11' 4 wt. Love it , Love it , Love it , wish they had made 5 wt in 11'. For nymphing a longer rod beats a shorter rod more times than not. I do the Trout Spey thing regularly. Longer rod= longer reach, makes mending easier also makes controlling your drift if Euro style a lot easier too. Aside from small stream work (I use a 7'6" 4/5 wt rod} I use a 10' rod or longer more often than not. Is it necessary to use a rod 10' or longer to catch fish. Nope. Does using the longer rod make you a better angler because it is longer... Nope. Only time on the water, proper presentation, and experience will make you a better angler. Is this important? Depends on your mindset.

If flyfishing is a competitive sport and that is your thing a longer rod is mandatory tool for success. If you just enjoy being out on the water enjoying nature's show and petting a few fish that's also great. To each their own. I really Like Echo , and their Spey Rods are highly respected in the Spey part of flyfishing.