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If your talking wild trout streams I would say start with either a 7.5ft-9ft 5x leader as adjust tippet as needed. A lot of guys on this forum will tell you to go as heavy as possible and their reasoning is sound but its up to you. I totally agree with them in their logic that you want to bring the fish in as fast as possible to avoid stressing it(especially in summer months) and it will force you to work on your drift/ presentation. It depends on what you are using and the water you are fishing. They make 100 different leaders for 100 different situations but I feel that a 7.5-9ft 5x mono is good in the majority of situations you will encounter. And you can always lengthen/shorten or add tippet from there. The majority of tippet I carry for wild trout is 4,5and 6x, I do use 7x rarely but only for the tiniest of dry flies and most of the time it still ends up twisted and kinked.