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Quote:

JoeE wrote:

Dave, If you get a lot of stress at the ferrules the rod can develop a casting fracture at the ferrule where the finish cracks and over time water can get in and if the ferrules are pinned it can even make it worse if you don't keep varnish on the rod to keep water out and once water does the damage you can get the classic compound fracture at the ferrule. Although in your case just too much power baby.

Joe E

It was from applying too much power and likely some contribution from where the guides were located (a theory of mine).

All breaks were flush almost like it was sawed off.

I had same problem from another rod that I rebuilt from a very cheap 9 foot blank. We discussed it before. It's the one that was originally just a post WWII Japanese that had just been milled and glued (lots of gaps). I did it just for the practice, so I used very cheap components including ferrules that were probably 5 buck a pair give or take. I mean the females were open the whole way through. Used the larger snake guides for modern line and more of them. After breaking it, I picked up a bunch of old new stock that were slightly better quality (and I do mean slightly) and replaced the ferrules and removed the guide that was closest to the broken ferrule. My theory was in addition to the cheap ferrule cutting the rod, I figured that guide location was adding more stress. Haven't had a problem since (knock on wood), and I like that rod so much that use it for steelhead. Besides, I'm not out much if it breaks. and it doesn't look bad from a distance.