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I'm intrigued by this whole concept, and would love to give it a try..

However, I'm questioning the use of the equipment in FFO areas:

According to the 2009 regs:

Quote:

Fishing must be done with tackle limited to fly rods, fly reels and fly line with a maximum of 18 feet in leader material or monofilament line attached. Spinning, spincast, and casting rods and reels are prohibited.

My reading is that as long as the rod would be considered a fly rod, that the lack of a reel wouldn't be a hindrance. It would be one thing if the rod used a spinning reel or something, but there's none at all.

So, the flies clearly meet proper definition, the only room for quibble is if a tenkara rod is a fly rod, or not. Considering the method of casting and presenting the lure is the same in both traditional and tenkara fly fishing, what would preclude this from FFO regs?

I do wish the equipment was cheaper, though. I don't think it's overpriced, but it's more than I can drop on a whim.