

Product Review

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Product Reviewed: Cabela's No-Vis 100% Fluorocarbon Line 12#

Product Acquired from: Cabela's Retail Location – Kansas City

Date Acquired: October 2005

Testing Location: Stockton Lake, Missouri

Testing Equipment:

- Team Daiwa TD-S Baitcasting Reel
- Team Daiwa Light & Tough 661-5RB

Sometimes in Tournament Fishing, you find a product that meets and exceeds your expectations for a value priced item. Cabela's No-Vis 100% Fluorocarbon fishing line is just such a product. Now, before that sounds like a shameless plug for a product, let's examine some of the characteristics of their offering in the 100% Fluorocarbon Line market.

Diameter:

On first inspection Cabela's 100% Fluorocarbon line diameter is noticeably larger than comparable premium lines; the only time I have found this to be an issue is when you need the thinnest possible line diameter to impart a specific action on a finesse bait. On the upside, It is my belief that this characteristic of Cabela's line enhances is abrasion resistance while still handling superbly.

Abrasion Resistance:

Here is where this line really performs. I tested this line fishing with Jewell 'Eakin's' Model Finesse Jigs at the rocky and rough Stockton Lake Missouri. Never once, did this line fail at the knot, from scraping along the rocky bottoms and bluff walls and did not exhibit the line fatigue common in so many fluorocarbons and monofilament lines. While it's always a good idea to retie, and strip a few yards of line off at the time, Cabela's No-Vis 100% Fluorocarbon line handles the roughest stuff you can pitch it into and won't let you down.

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Line Handling:

Cabela's line casts with ease, lays easily onto the spool of baitcasting reels. I tested this line during mid-October, with mornings in the 40's and afternoons in the 60-70's and found the line to offer a low memory, exceptional sensitivity and overall handling was excellent in all tournament fishing situations.

Value:

Cabela's offers their No-Vis 100% Fluorocarbon line in 200 Yard Filler Spools from \$9.99 to \$10.99, 400 Yard Spools from \$14.99 to \$19.99 and 600 Yard Bulk Spools from \$19.99 to \$29.99 in pound test ranges from 4# to 20#. The quality and performance of this product combined with the great value price point make it a clear leader in the market for price and performance.



Cabela's No-Vis 100% Fluorocarbon offers performance and value that make it a 'Must Try' line for tournament anglers looking to maximize performance and spare some pains in the wallet.

Final Impressions:

Cabela's is offering a premium product at a value price point that anglers may find hard to pass up. I found the overall performance to be above my expectations and they are delivering a great product to their customers.