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Making Roller Furling a Snap

While construction, efficiency, and ease of use weighed heavily in this comparison, the standouts in the field also best addressed smaller details like fasteners, bearings, and sheaves.

1. & 2. A spring-tensioned clip secures the tethered clevis pin on the Facnor furler, allowing for quick fit and removal.

3. Testers noted the fine machine work on the Colligo Cn-5. The stainless-aluminum interfaces on all of these units should be insulated with Tef-Gel, Dura Lac, or a similar product to prevent corrosion.

4. CDI uses a simple ring to secure its clevis pin. They can get lost when the unit is being installed or removed, so have spares handy.

5. The Bamar furler uses a special terminal fitting that clamps on to a torsion rope in its gennaker furler.

6 A simple spring pin secures the grooved clevis pin on the Karver furler. One lanyard keeps the clip from going overboard, the other makes it easy to remove.