

| AS                                       | VALUE GUIDE       | BRAIDED COVER RUNNING RIGGING PERFORMANCE |          |                  |                |                                    |
|--|-------------------|---|----------|------------------|----------------|------------------------------------|
| MAKER                                    | PRODUCT           | CORE MATERIAL*                            | DIAMETER | WEIGHT (15 FEET) | BREAK STRENGTH | 1,000-POUND LOAD/BREAKING STRENGTH |
| NEW ENGLAND ROPES                        | Sta-Set           | Polyester                                 | 7/16"    | 14.34 oz.        | 6,600 lbs.     | 15.15%                             |
|  | Sta-Set X         | Polyester (parallel fiber)                | 7/16"    | 14.35 oz.        | 7,400 lbs.     | 13.51%                             |
|  | VPC               | Vectran/Polyolefin                        | 3/8"     | 11.65 oz.        | 6,500 lbs.     | 15.38%                             |
|  | T-900             | Dyneema/Technora                          | 5/16"    | 7.61 oz.         | 7,300 lbs.     | 13.70%                             |
|  | Endura Braid      | Dyneema                                   | 5/16"    | 6.84 oz.         | 7,000 lbs.     | 14.29%                             |
|  | V-100             | Vectran                                   | 5/16"    | 6.84 oz.         | 8,000 lbs.     | 12.50%                             |
|  | T-900             | Technora 12/SK75                          | 3/8"     | 10.99 oz.        | 11,800 lbs.    | 8.47%                              |
|  | Endura Braid      | Dyneema SK75                              | 3/8"     | 10.71 oz.        | 10,000 lbs.    | 10%                                |
|  | V-100             | Vectran                                   | 3/8"     | 12.05 oz.        | 12,500 lbs.    | 8%                                 |
| NOVABRAID                                | XLE               | Polyester                                 | 7/16"    | 14.5 oz.         | 6,200 lbs.     | 16.13%                             |
|  | Polyspec          | Spectra                                   | 5/16"    | 6.75 oz.         | 7,500 lbs.     | 13.33%                             |
|  | Polyspec          | Spectra                                   | 3/8"     | 9.25 oz.         | 9,800 lbs.     | 10.20%                             |
| SAMSON                                   | XLS #456          | Polyester                                 | 7/16"    | 15 oz.           | 5,800 lbs.     | 17.24%                             |
|  | XLS Extra-T       | Dyneema/polyolefin core                   | 7/16"    | 12.75 oz.        | 6,100 lbs.     | 16.39%                             |
|  | Validator II #447 | Vectran                                   | 3/8"     | 8.25 oz.         | 11,000 lbs.    | 9%                                 |
|  | Warspeed #444     | Dyneema                                   | 5/16"    | 6 oz.            | 6,200 lbs.     | 16.13%                             |
|  | Amsteel #870**    | Spectra single braid                      | 5/16"    | 5.75 oz.         | 10,500 lbs.    | 9.52%                              |
|  | Warspeed #444     | Dyneema                                   | 3/8"     | 8.25 oz.         | 9,800 lbs.     | 10.02%                             |
|  | Amsteel #870**    | Spectra single braid                      | 3/8"     | 5.75 oz.         | 15,500 lbs.    | 6.45%                              |
| YALE                                     | Yacht Braid       | Double-braid polyester                    | 3/8"     | 9.92 oz.         | 5,600 lbs.     | 14.6%                              |
|  | Vizzion           | Polyester/Vectran LCP                     | 3/8"     | 9.77 oz.         | 6,500 lbs.     | 15.38%                             |
|  | Maxibraid Plus    | UHMWPE                                    | 3/8"     | 8.91 oz.         | 8,600 lbs.     | 11.63%                             |
|  | Crystalyne        | Polyester/Vectran LCP                     | 5/16"    | 6.34 oz.         | 7,200 lbs.     | 13.89%                             |
|  | Crystalyne        | Polyester/Vectran LCP                     | 3/8"     | 9.25 oz.         | 11,500 lbs.    | 8.70%                              |
| Best Choice PVC  Recommended  Budget Buy |                   |   |          |                  |                |                                    |

| SPLICE REQUIRED | STATED STRETCH | TESTED STRETCH (15 FEET) | TEST RESULTS |            |           | PRICE/100 FEET | SAILING      |
|-----------------|----------------|--------------------------|--------------|------------|-----------|----------------|--------------|
|                 |                |                          | HANDLING     | WINCH      | ABRASION  |                |              |
| Double braid    | 4%             | 2 in.                    | Excellent    | Excellent  | Fair      | \$107          | Cruising     |
| Parallel core   | 2.4%           | 1.3 in.                  | Good         | Excellent  | Fair      | \$120          | Cruising     |
| Double braid    | 1.65%          | 0.9 in.                  | Good         | Fair       | Excellent | \$127          | Club racing  |
| Core-to-core    | 1.1%           | 0.9 in.                  | Fair         | Excellent  | Poor      | \$167          | Club racing  |
| Core-to-core    | 0.8%           | 0.7 in.                  | Fair         | Excellent  | Good      | \$183          | Grand prix   |
| Core-to-core    | 0.7%           | 0.7 in.                  | Good-        | Good       | Excellent | \$300          | Grand prix   |
| Core-to-core    | 0.6%           | 0.8 in.                  | Fair         | Excellent  | Good      | \$241          | Club racing  |
| Core-to-core    | 0.6%           | 0.9 in.                  | Excellent+   | Exceellent | Good      | \$307          | Grand prix   |
| Core-to-core    | 0.35%          | 0.7 in.                  | Good-        | Fair       | Excellent | \$300          | Grand prix   |
| Double braid    | 2.25%          | 2.7 in.                  | Excellent    | Good       | Fair      | \$93           | Cruising     |
| Core-to-core    | 1.2%           | 0.9 in.                  | Excellent    | Good       | Good      | \$218          | Race, cruise |
| Core-to-core    | 1.0%           | 0.7 in.                  | Good         | Good       | Excellent | \$218          | Race, Cruise |
| Double braid    | 2%             | 2.1 in.                  | Excellent    | Excellent  | Excellent | \$105          | Cruising     |
| Core-to-core    | 0.7%           | 1.1 in.                  | Excellent    | Excellent  | Fair      | \$283          | Comp. racing |
| Core-to-core    | 0.54%          | 0.7 in.                  | Good+        | Fair       | Good      | \$299          | Comp. racing |
| Core-to-core    | 0.55%          | 0.7 in.                  | Good-        | Excellent  | Fair      | \$261          | Comp. racing |
| 12-strand       | 0.49%          | 0.6 in.                  | Excellent    | Fair       | Excellent | \$150          | Comp. racing |
| Core-to-core    | 0.45%          | 1.2 in.                  | Excellent    | Excellent  | Excellent | \$343          | Comp. racing |
| 12-strand       | 0.37%          | 0.6 in.                  | Excellent    | Fair       | Excellent | \$322          | Comp. racing |
| Double braid    | 3.2%           | 2.3 in.                  | Excellent    | Excellent  | Poor      | \$63           | Cruising     |
| Double braid    | 0.8%           | 0.9 in.                  | Good         | Good       | Good      | \$157          | Cruising     |
| Core-to-core    | 0.55%          | .5 in.                   | Very Good    | Good       | Excellent | \$228          | Racing       |
| Core-to-core    | 0.35%          | .7 in.                   | Fair         | Fair       | Excellent | \$151          | Racing       |
| Core-to-core    | 0.25%          | .5 in.                   | Fair         | Good       | Excellent | \$196          | Racing       |

\*Breaking strength, stated stretch based on maker's data. \*\*Single-braid.