

# Glossary of ABU Reel Terminology

**A** = Small arbor spool, larger line capacity than the standard spool (for example 5000A)

**AB** = Anti-backlash, (for example 5600AB)

**B** = Small arbor spool, larger line capacity and a line out alarm (for example 5000B)

**C** = 2 ball bearings in the spool or around the spool axle depending on spool design

**CI** = Reel produced for Independent dealers

**C3** = Reel has two ball bearings in the spool plus a one-way roller bearing for the anti-reverse (the 7000C3/7500C3 reels have two ball bearings at the ends of the spool axle plus a third ball bearing around the crank shaft)

**C4** = Reel has two ball bearings in the spool, one ball bearing in the level wind plus a one-way roller bearing for the anti-reverse

**C5** = The reel has two ball bearings in the spool, two ball bearings in the level wind plus a one-way roller bearing for the anti-reverse

**CB** = Self-centering &#8211; disengaging level wind (for example 4600CB) 1980&#8217;s

**CS** = C stands for ball bearings, the S is short for "Sports", as in "6500C Sports Rocket

**CT** = Non level wind model

**D** = Direct drive - Drag works only when your hand is off the handle grips. ( i.e.- 5000D )

**DA** = Direct drive with palming side plate

**DL** = Deluxe = Gold plated model

**GR** = Graphite construction

**HCL** = The H stands for High-speed, the CL for ball bearings and level wind

**HS** = High speed reel

**HSI** = High Speed with Infini spool design

**HSN** = High speed narrow frame reel

**IAR** = Instant Anti Reverse (for example 2500CIAR)

**IVCB** = Infinitely Variable Centrifugal Brake

**J-speed** = the "J" stands for Japan, the J-speeds (8000/9000/10000) are high-speed saltwater reels made for the Japanese market.

**L** = Level wind (for example 6500CL, 9000CL; originally used for the 9000CL and 10000CL to indicate that those models had a level wind.

**LC** = Line counter reel

**LD** = Lever drag reel

**LDN** = Lever drag reel with narrow frame

**SP** = Sprint 6.3:1 gear ratio

**W** = Winch 3.8:1 gear ratio

**Abu Garcia reels come in the following sizes:**

1x00, 2x00, 3x00, 4x00, 5x00, 6x00, 7x00, 8x00, 9000, 10000. The 7x00 and up models are larger reels, with the 7x00 holding 300 yd of Berkley Big Game 25# line and the 10000 holding well over 300 yd of Big Game 40# line.

The **X** in the size when replaced with a **5** represents a push button free spool release model and a **6** is a thumb-bar free spool release model.

Note that other size designations have been used. For example the 521 / 522 / 523, 821 / 822 / 823 or 1021 / 1022 made during the eighties, or the Ultra Mag I, II, III, IV, V, VI. "1" or "I" means a 4000-size reel, a "2" or "II" means a 5000-size reel, a "3" or "III" means a 6000-size reel and so on up.

We have needed this for a long time....