

# WEED USA, LLC - NEW - OPEN 135

## WEED OPEN 135 / OPEN 135 TOUR SERIES - STRINGING INSTRUCTIONS

### RECOMMENDED STRING TYPES & INFORMATION: - UPDATED RECOMMENDATIONS FOR STRING WEAR

In this model, almost any string will propel the ball well. However, these models were designed to take advantage of polyester strings to get maximum spin with the Open string pattern.

1. POLYESTER STRINGS - Popular Strings that play well. Luxilon Alu Power 16, Alu Power Rough 16, Luxilon Timo 18, Gosen Polylon 16, Babolat RPM Blast 16.  
(These can also be used in the Mains in a blended set up with a softer cross string from the list below)
2. SYNTHETIC STRINGS - Popular Strings that play well. Gamma Professional 16, 17 (Gut Like Feel) Gamma 2 16ga, Gamma Ruff (Max Spin), Wilson NXT, WEED SG 16 or 17 (Black or Natural)

NOTE - WHEN USING A REGULAR SYNTHETIC or PLAYERS WITH GOOD TOPSPIN or SLICE Strokes, WEED RECOMMENDS USING STRING SAVERS / STRING-A-LINGS TO PREVENT STRING WEAR. WITH THE OPEN 16 X 19 PATTERN STRINGS WILL MOVE MORE CREATING FASTER STRING WEAR, BUT ALSO MORE SPIN!!!!

### TENSION : MAXIMUM STRING TENSION IS 75 LBS. (KEVLAR /Polyester MAX = 70 LBS!)

The Mains & Crosses should be strung at the same tension in these models.

*When selecting a tension - fit the tension to what players are used to - they can't change their habits!*

If they have been playing a small racquet at higher tensions: give them higher tensions in the WEED and consider a stiffer string.

If they're used to lower tensions in a larger frame, 45-60 lbs. in the WEED OPEN 135 series models will probably fit them.

\*\*\*\*\*"SLACKING OFF" tensions progressively by 5, 10 and 15 lbs. on the outside 3 mains and top & bottom 3 crosses are MANUFACTURER'S REQUIREMENT FOR FRAME WARRANTY. This also provides an even broader sweetspot, more power on balls hit next to the frame, and eases initial shock on the arm. (The top 3 X's would slack by 15, then 10, and then 5 lbs. off the base racquet tension, and the bottom 3 X's would slack by 5, then 10, and then 15 lbs.).

**Note:** WEED highly recommends their special L.P. ("Live Periphery") Stringing process for these models (description below). (*Instructions available*)

Conventional stringing procedures are outlined on the reverse side of this sheet.

*L.P. instructions (and assistance via the 800#) are available upon request.*

**L.P. Stringing** creates nearly frame to frame Power Zone. It features a more lively periphery (area out near the frame), for greater depth on off-center hits (and less shock to the arm on such hits!), which converts into much steadier, controlled play. [This progressive tension pattern also incorporates a second, much stretchier string (Durbin CDT) in the last 2 mains and crosses, to help increase the power in that area. The Durbin string is available through WEED].

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**LENGTH** : Depends on the stretchiness of the string!

40 FEET *is enough in most cases*

FOR 1 PIECE stringing use: 10 1/2 ft. for the SHORT SIDE OF MAINS  
(add 3 to 4 inches if under 60 lbs.)

FOR 2 PIECE stringing: MAINS = 21 ft.  
CROSSES = 18 ft.

**PATTERN** : 16 MAINS X 19 CROSSES

MAINS START AT THE TIP.

MAINS SKIP HOLE NUMBERS 7, 9, AND 10 AT TIP & THROAT.

Tie off short side of Mains in 8 H.

WHEN YOU GET TO THE 3RD TO THE LAST MAIN (from the outside, on both sides), DROP THE TENSION BY 5 LBS. DROP THE TENSION BY ANOTHER 5 LBS. (total of 10 lbs. off the base tension) IN THE 2ND TO LAST MAIN AND 5 MORE LBS. (total of 15) IN THE LAST (outside) MAIN. *(ie. if stringing the racquet at 60 lbs., the last 3 mains would be at 55, 50 and 45 lbs.)*  
*(WARRANTY IS NOT VALID UNLESS the string tension is slacked as described).*

CROSSES START AT THE TIP AND SKIP HOLES NUMBER 8 and 11 AT THE TIP & THROAT - Tie off BOTTOM CROSS AT #5 THROAT

"SLACK-OFF" ON THE TENSION IN THE TOP CROSS BY 15 LBS., BY 10 LBS. IN THE 2ND CROSS AND BY 5 LBS. IN THE 3RD CROSS. *(ie. 45, 50 and 55 lbs).* (DO THE SAME AT THE BOTTOM, BUT IN THE REVERSE ORDER: SLACK BY 5 LBS. IN THE 3RD TO LAST CROSS, BY 10 LBS. IN THE 2ND TO LAST CROSS AND BY 15 LBS. IN THE BOTTOM CROSS). *(ie. 55, 50 and 45 lbs)*  
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