

# Larson 180 Sport (2007-)

## Brief Summary

This new sportster for 2007 will be a hit with the boating family that wants the no-hassle life of a speed boat. She was a surprise performer and is outfitted with plenty of features.

## Price

**Base Price** \$19421.00

*Prices, features, designs, and equipment are subject to change. Please see your local dealer or visit the builder's website for the latest information available on this boat model.*

## Key Features

- Delta VEC hull
- 2 Bucket seats
- Automotive style dash & gauges
- CD player with speakers
- 2-step boarding ladder
- Integrated swim platform
- Ski tow ring
- Hull Lifetime Limited Warranty

## Test Results

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
650	3.4	2.9	0.8	4.47	3.88	92	80	64
1000	4.9	4.2	1.2	4.04	3.51	84	73	68
1500	6.6	5.7	1.8	3.64	3.16	75	66	68
2000	9.8	8.5	3.9	2.51	2.19	52	45	70
2500	25.4	22	5.5	4.65	4.04	96	84	79

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
3000	32.3	28	7	4.61	4.01	95	83	83
3500	38.9	33.8	8.6	4.54	3.95	94	82	87
4000	45.4	39.5	12.4	3.68	3.2	76	66	92
4500	49.7	43.2	18.1	2.75	2.39	57	50	97

[View the test results in metric units](#)

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# Specifications

Length Overall	17' 7"
BEAM	7' 4"
Dry Weight	2,375 lbs.
Tested Weight	
Draft	31"
Draft Up	
Draft Down	
Air Draft	
Deadrise/Transom	21 deg.
Max Headroom	open

Bridge Clearance	N/A
Weight Capacity	
Person Capacity	
Fuel Capacity	23 gal.
Water Capacity	none
Length on Trailer	
Height on Trailer	
Trailer Weight	
Total Weight	
Aft Deck	
Salon Inside Width	
Salon Fore & Aft	
Salon Height	
Salon Volume	
Galley Volume	
Master SR Width	
Master SR fore & Aft	

Master SR Overhead	
Master SR Volume	
Eng. Room Volume	

# Acceleration Times & Conditions

Time to Plane	3.8 sec.
0 to 20	
Ratio	2.32 : 1
Props	14.2 X 23 Aluminum 3-blade
Load	2 persons, 3/4 fuel, no water, min. gear
Climate	Temp: 83 deg., humid: 76%, wind: 3 mph, seas: moderate chop

## A New Entry-Level Skiboat-- Larson 180 Sport I/O

By Capt. Bob Smith

Larson charged onto the market with a new competitor in the entry level skiboat models. The 180 Sport I/O entry-level skiboat, is bound to be another feather in the Larson design team’s hat with a one piece hull, stringer and transom that formulates a solid, quiet running boat. While this is an entry level boat, Larson decided to up the ante with amenities which are typically reserved as options.

### Bow Features

Standard features on the 180 include a bow gunwale step with bow center step into the sporty interior. Bow seating has two lounge seats with drink holders, grab rails, and bench storage. Our test boat had an optional tinted sport windshield with center walk-through.

### Cockpit

In the cockpit there are two bucket seats with flip-up bolster, slide and swivel adjustments, and ventilated backs. Standard instrumentation, rocker power control switches, and a three-spoke tilt wheel are featured at the helm. Between the helm and companion seats is a large in-sole storage locker for skis, wakeboards, life

jackets, and other large items. Snap-in carpet is available as an option to keep your feet cool.

The gunwale to gunwale rear bench seat completes the cockpit seating and has open storage with a handy lip to keep things from sliding out. On the side walls are grab safety rails and stereo speakers for the standard Clarion Marine Stereo with CD player. The easy lift engine hatch doubles as a sun pad and beneath the hatch is a large engine space.

Another feature you typically don't get in this size boat is a functional integrated swim platform. This platform is large enough for an adult to relax with your legs in the water.

### **Optional Features**

Some popular optional equipment includes a bimini top, canvas bow cover as well as a canvas cockpit cover, and mooring cover. If you have wakeboarders in the family, opt for the deck reinforcement for the Roswell Wakeboard Tower. Another great option is the automatic bilge pump.

### **Specifications**

The new 180 Sport measures 17'7" in centerline length with a 7'4" beam and is nimble due in part to her 21 degree deadrise with a 14 degree transom angle. She weighs 2,375 pounds and has a maximum weight capacity of 1,150 pounds. She requires 31" for draft and has a 23 gallon fuel capacity. Engine options on the 180 include the 135-hp MerCruiser 3.0L, MerCruiser 190-hp 4.3L, 135-hp Volvo Penta 3.0GL, in addition to the 190-hp Volvo Penta 4.3GL that the test model came equipped with.

### **Performance and Handling**

I tested the 180 just off the Ocean Reef Club in Key Largo Florida on a relatively calm afternoon with one other person on board. She was spry and responsive making her a good boat for skiing and other water sport adventures.

She is on plane in 3.8 seconds and up to 30mph in a short 6.9 seconds. The 180 Sport was at cruise around 3000 rpm doing 32.3 mph. At cruise, the 23 gallon fuel tank has a range of approximately 95 miles. She reached a top speed turning 4500 rpm at 49.7 mph. While she registered a maximum sound reading of 97 dBa, the majority of that was wind noise rather than engine and hull.

If you are looking to enter the new boat market and want to get more for your money, Larson delivers a great choice in the 180 Sport I/O. She has a stem to stern 5 Plus 5 warranty that gives you one number to call for any warranty item on the boat, regardless of who made it. Worry-free boating and great value. What more can you want?