

Sea-Doo 230 Challenger SE (2007)

Brief Summary

The Sea-Doo Challenger series merges classic lines with modern designs and high-power performance of direct-drive engines to deliver a powerful, fun and elegant sport boating package for today’s growing family.

Price

Base Price \$38499.00

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

- Swivel buddy passenger seat
- Driver's adjustable height, swivel bucket seat
- Large in-floor ski storage
- Satellite-ready stereo with 125 with channel amp.,
- Tower speakers, P/A and remote
- Swim platform with 2-step ladder
- Rear storage compartments
- Pull-up ski pylon
- Trailer, custom-matched
- Non-skid decking
- Anchor locker
- Fold 'n stow walk-through door
- Snap-in carpet
- Backlit depth sounder
- Pull-up cleats
- Cockpit table

Test Results

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
2500	6.1	5.3	1.8	3.39	2.95	162	141	74

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
3000	7.3	6.3	2.6	2.81	2.44	134	116	76
3500	8.3	7.2	3.7	2.24	1.95	107	93	81
4000	10.1	8.7	4.9	2.05	1.78	98	85	83
4500	14.2	12.3	5.9	2.4	2.09	114	99	82
5000	21.8	18.9	7.4	2.94	2.56	140	122	82
5500	28.8	25	10.1	2.85	2.48	136	118	87
6000	35.3	30.7	13.2	2.67	2.33	128	111	86
6500	39.9	34.7	17.6	2.26	1.97	108	94	87
7000	44.6	38.7	21.5	2.07	1.8	99	86	87
7500	50.7	44	26.3	1.93	1.67	92	80	89
8000	57.3	49.8	32.1	1.79	1.55	85	74	89

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

Length Overall	23' 6"
BEAM	8' 9"
Dry Weight	3,350 lbs.

Tested Weight	
Draft	12"
Draft Up	
Draft Down	
Air Draft	
Deadrise/Transom	20 deg.
Max Headroom	open
Bridge Clearance	7' 4" (no tower)
Weight Capacity	
Person Capacity	
Fuel Capacity	53 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	2.4 sec.
0 to 20	
Ratio	N/A
Props	None - Jet Drive
Load	Load: 2 persons, Fuel: 1/4 full, Water: none, Gear: minimal
Climate	Temp: 77 deg., Humid: 68%, Wind: 10-15 knots, Seas: 1ft chop

A Competitor Ready for Any Challenge

The 230 SE is a Tough Package to Beat

By Capt. Rob Smith

Sea-Doo is crushing the typical image of the family sportboat with the Sea-Doo Challenger SE. From the front or side, looking at this craft you only seem to notice an odd line or shape, not really able to figure out what it is that has caught your eyes. Looking inside, you see enormous spaces with room for plenty of friends and family, elegant touches and some eye-catching and interesting features. When you get around to the back it hits you like the proverbial beer truck. That's a jet boat?! No, this is a direct-drive family oriented open sport boat with features for dad, mom and the rest of the family.

Sleek Design and Modern Looks

The Sea-Doo Challenger merges classic lines with modern design and engineering to deliver a sportboat that meets the challenge of today's water-sport driven family. As more boats are added to the water every year and water sports becomes more focused on precision and speed, it is critical that the design team keeps in step. This new model does just that.

Starting at the bow, there is an ample anchor locker that has a cradle for the Danforth style anchor and room for typical rode on a boat this size. Cleats are pull-up stainless steel, and bow rails are low-profile and easy to reach. Seating in the bow is tremendous. At least six can comfortably gather up front. Large marine speakers deliver the tunes to the bow and lighted inset drinkholders are on both sides. Lift the seats up and you find a neat system for protecting gear stored inside. A rubberized grass mat system allows any water to drain down to the bottom and away while softening the bumps along the way. Under your feet, snap-in carpet softens the sole and makes clean up a snap at the end of the day.

Innovative Features Throughout

Stepping on back you find the first major surprise on the SE, a fold and stow retractable windscreen with door in the walkthrough. This pocket door system simply pulls out of the driver's side pod. You flip up the window and lock it in place, then lock the entire door in place with a barrel latch. Another great feature about this system is that it is all tempered glass so you have a truly open feeling looking forward while blocking the chilly morning breeze from the main cockpit.

The companion and driver's seats are comfortable bucket seats with swivel and slide adjustments to keep you in the conversation and having a clear view ahead underway. Speakers on both sides of the seats provide great sound to the main cockpit. A sturdy stainless grab bar gives the rider more confidence until they get used to the power of the optional 430-hp supercharged engine package. The two boxes in the companion station house the stereo head, 12-volt adaptor, and plenty of room for bottles of tanning lotion, and more.

In the floor between the seats is a huge locker that has a rubber pad to protect the skis and any other long items you need to stow, or to keep the life jacket kit in easy reach.

Behind the Wheel

The helm station is laid out well for easy visibility of all instruments. Lighted and well labeled rocker switches

control power. The top of the dash has a pad to protect and hold your glasses, keys and phones. Split throttle and shift levers are on the side gunnel with a padded arm rest that has a drinkholder just below. Our test model had another great option, electric retractable windows to really open up the feel underway. Push a button and the windows come down or go back up just like in your car.

Moving on back, the aft cockpit offers another huge sitting space with wrap-around seating benches. Under the starboard bench is a handy carry-on Igloo cooler for drinks and beverages. Over on the port side is another padded storage box. The sunpad on the back covers the engine box. Under the pad, the table is stowed making it easy to find and easy to set up. The stern light stows in clips in the fiberglass tray that lifts out to gain access to the engines. With the engine cover down, the sunpad makes a great place to hang out at anchor, sit comfortably to put your skis or wakeboard on or just relax and watch a sunset. Across the back are numerous handholds for getting back aboard as well as a concealed telescoping swim ladder. If you have never experienced a direct-drive sportboat, you are in for a wonderful surprise. If you did years ago, you need to try this one out before you set your opinions, as they have changed drastically. The Sea-Doo 230 SE will please just about everyone and will certainly gain the respect of hard-core I/O users, and likely convert many!