

Tahoe Q4 Sport Fish (2007-)

Brief Summary

Tahoe has just the boat for the family getting into boating. The Q4 Sport Fish has the sporty looks and handling of a spry ski boat, but also has fishing features, like the livewell and wireless trolling motor. This model has only one engine package to help maintain affordability, the MerCruiser 3.0L 135-hp sterndrive. One really outstanding feature is the large swim platform which extends completely over the sterndrive. With a family friendly interior freeboard of 29", and room for up to 7, you will enjoy this boat for many years.

Price

Base Price\$17195.00

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

- Full integrated swim platform
- Spacious cockpit
- Wireless trolling motor
- Stern livewell
- Stereo with MP3 jack and 12 volt socket
- Sport bucket seats
- Custom color-matched trailer

Test Results

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
800	3	2.6	0.8	3.64	3.17	75	66	78
1000	4	3.5	1.1	3.53	3.07	73	63	78
1500	6	5.2	1.2	5.11	4.44	106	92	79
2000	7.8	6.8	2.7	2.9	2.52	60	52	81

RPM	MPH	Knots	GPH	MPG	NMPG	STAT. MILE	NM	dBa
2500	11.3	9.8	3.6	3.14	2.73	65	57	84
3000	22.4	19.5	4.4	5.06	4.4	105	91	85
3500	27.7	24.1	5.5	5.08	4.41	105	91	87
4000	33.2	28.9	6.9	4.82	4.19	100	87	89
4500	38.9	33.8	10.5	3.69	3.21	76	66	97
4700	41.1	35.7	11.5	3.56	3.1	74	64	97

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



Specifications

Length Overall	18' 1"
BEAM	91"
Dry Weight	2,270 lbs. w/ engine
Tested Weight	
Draft	17"
Draft Up	
Draft Down	
Air Draft	

Deadrise/Transom	16 deg.
Max Headroom	open
Bridge Clearance	N/A
Weight Capacity	
Person Capacity	
Fuel Capacity	20 gal.
Water Capacity	N/A
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	5.0 sec.
0 to 20	
Ratio	2.4 : 1
Props	21" Pitch Aluminum
Load	2 persons, 1/2 fuel, no water, min. gear
Climate	Temp: 88 deg., humid: 42%, wind: 7 knots, seas: light chop

Tahoe Q4 SF

By Capt. Rob Smith

Tahoe got it right with this easy to trailer and easy to fish runabout. Just the right size for the small family that enjoys both fishing and water sports, yet easy to fit on a trailer and in the garage. Tahoe is one of the Tracker Family's fastest growing lines of business. The Q4 SF fits well as the first boat a family that loves both will buy delivering the best of both worlds with a price that doesn't break the family budget.

From the Stern

Even though it is considered an entry level boat, it does have a large swim platform. Most entry level boats don't even bother with a platform and still try to call it a fish and play model. You have to have a swim platform to enjoy water sports and the Q4 SF has a large one for its size. The center of the platform extends

out even further to completely cover the outdrive, but you still should not have someone in the water with the engine started or use the outdrive as a swim ladder. It is too dangerous.

The sunpad also is large for an entry level boat. I can see it easily accommodating a skier while they slip on their skis or wakeboard or prepare to leap out onto the inner tube for a thrilling ride.

In the Cockpit

The aft seats in the cockpit are split into two jump seats and a center seat that conceals a livewell in the bottom. For power, the Q4 SF only offers the MerCruiser 135hp carbureted sterndrive. This helps maintain the affordability of this model. Storage in the cockpit includes slash pocket storage in the side panels, typical of most ski boats. The speakers are mounted in the side panels and floor lights are LED, for brighter, lower power draw and extended life.

The helm and observer seats are typical sport bucket seats that have slide and swivel adjustments. I would still like to have a bolster on the driver's seat, at least, as often a teenage may be the one at the wheel while mom or dad are on the skis. Good visibility is crucial to safe operation. Gauges are well laid out for good visibility underway and the full framed windshield offers good protection and sight lines. Over on the observer's side things were a bit snug for me, but I am a full-bodied 6' captain! The glove box and stereo are over on the observer's side along with a jack for your iPod or MP3 player input. They even thought ahead and have a 12volt outlet for your MP3 player or to charge your cell phone.

The sole locker has a wide opening that surprisingly did not get bound against the seats when opened, so good planning, Tahoe! Clips are mounted to keep the nav lights and oar handy. If you store your skis and other polished items in here, you probably want to buy a drainable rubber mat to put on the floor since it is not standard on this model.

Bow Features

The walkthrough is plenty wide, but does not have a lower air dam, so when you are heading out in the mornings or just getting back in the early evening and the air is chilly, take along a couple extra large beach blankets to cover up. One of the things Tahoe did was to stretch the bow area to add seating room and make room for the fishing features such as the Wireless 40lb thrust trolling motor. When you are at anchor, you can add a filler cushion and make this a great place to lay out and enjoy some sun. When fishing, you can add the filler and set up a casting chair to relax and do some serious fishing.

Measurements

The Q4 SF measures 19'5" length overall with a beam width of 91". She weighs about 2232lbs and carries 23 gallons of fuel. Her draft is about 17", so getting into skinny water should be good.