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TOWER AND POWER

SEA RAY 210 SELECT FISSION

By Go Boating Test Team
Sea Ray refers to its new 210 Select Fission as a “no-compromise watersports machine,” and after testing the 350 hp wakeboarding boat recently, we’d be hard-pressed to argue. A special edition of the builder’s popular 210 Select bowrider, the Fission version

comes with a host of sportboat features: a standard wakeboard tower, a MerCruiser 350 Magnum/Bravo III sterndrive, SmartCraft Smart Tow digital speed control, a ski/tow mirror, ski/wakeboard storage, a deep-V hull with custom Fission graphics and a jammin’ stereo system with iPod interface.

Sea Ray uses some of the most modern boat-building techniques to produce thousands of sportboat hulls annually. The 210 Fission hull and deck are made using computer design programs; computer-controlled milling machines make near-perfect molds, and robotic resin and gelcoat applicators use just the right amount of material.

and the bolstered helm and passenger seats swivel and slide.

The 210’s helm station has a full complement of dash gauges, and the automotive-style steering wheel puts convenient controls for the SmartCraft and Smart Tow systems as well as the stereo at your fingertips. The tinted, walk-through wrap-around windshield cuts the wind while allowing easy passage to and from the bow. We particularly liked the sunpad and rear-seat combination; the seat-back folds up to create a backrest for the sunpad, which is mounted above the spacious swim platform. The standard Fission wakeboard tower includes a built-in Bimini top, and the whole structure can be folded down for trailering. A wakeboard rack is optional.

Its draft of 21 inches puts you close to the beach — there’s even an optional beach boarding ladder. The stereo system comes with an AM/FM/CD stereo and an MP3 port. Other standard features include blue LED cockpit lights, power-assist steering and an automatic fire-suppression system, while the options list includes underwater lights, a quiet through-hull exhaust system and a Sirius satellite-ready radio.

PERFORMANCE

The 210 Select Fission has a dry weight of just over 4,000 pounds, and our test boat was powered by the standard MerCruiser 350

Magnum (300 hp) coupled to a Bravo III sterndrive with a 28-inch-pitch propset. The boat has a deep-V hull with a full 20-degree transom deadrise, and acceleration was strong. The 210 planed in 4.7 seconds and arrived at the 30 mph mark in 8.75 seconds.

Lightly loaded with just two passengers and test equipment, we recorded an optimum cruise speed of 28.4 mph at 3000 rpm, which translates to an impressive 3.6 mpg. Wide open, at 4850 rpm, we reached a top speed of 52 mph. Figuring in its 40-gallon fuel capacity, the 210 has a cruising range of 130 miles — now that’s a lot of wakeboarding. **GO**

Sea Ray 210 Select Fission

SPECIFICATIONS

Length	21 ft., 0 in.
Beam	8 ft., 6 in.
Capacity	1,100 lbs.
Dry Weight	4,080 lbs.
Fuel Capacity	40 gals.
Maximum Power	350 hp
Deadrise	20 degrees

PERFORMANCE

	mph	rpm	mpg	range	dBa
Peak	52.0	4850	2.25	81 mi.	90
Cruise	28.4	3000	3.59	130 mi.	82
Time to Plane				4.7 seconds	
0-30 mph Acceleration				8.7 seconds	

POWER

Test	MerCruiser 350 MAG/Bravo III
Hp	300
Cylinders	V8
Displacement	5.7L
Weight	812 lbs.
WOT Range	4600-5000 rpm
Prop	Bravo III 28-inch-pitch stainless steel set

BASE PRICE (W/TRAILER)

w/MerCruiser 350 MAG/Bravo III	\$59,231*
w/test power (w/Corsa exhaust)	\$62,240*

*Price can vary depending on options and location — does not include freight or prep

FIVE NOTABLE STANDARDS

Sunbrella Bimini top, blue LED cockpit lights, Smart Tow precision speed control, MP3 port, helm and passenger seats that slide and swivel

NOTABLE OPTIONS

Battery charger, bow beach boarding ladder, six-CD changer, Corsa Thru-Hull exhaust, underwater lights

FINANCING

\$504/month for 15 years*

*Assuming a final price of \$63,000 with a 15% down payment and a fixed interest rate of 7.75% — does not include sales tax

BUILDER

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FEATURES IN BRIEF:

1 Sit Anywhere: The 210 Select Fission seats up to eight. The bow section features circular seating with a pedestal table mount and two speakers.

2 Tow Easy: Sea Ray's Smart Tow is a digital speed control that maintains a steady tow speed, making it easier on the wakeboarder — and the driver.

3 Kick Back: The helm and companion seats swivel and slide for maximum comfort.

4 In 'n' Out: The swim platform features a stereo remote, a ski/tow bar integrated boarding ladder and convenient access to the cockpit via the walk-through transom.

5 Tale of the Tower: The standard, heavy-duty wakeboard tower has a built-in Bimini top that folds down when not in use.



- Deep-V hull, shallow draft
- SmartCraft digital throttle-and-shift control make for smooth shifting and strong acceleration
- The sunpad folds up to create a comfortable, aft-facing watersports seat

TECH NOTES:

