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The spectacular new Johnson 18

elevates small boat sailing to a new level of perfection. It is the unprecedented matching of performance, simplicity, and stability, based on over 100 years of sailing experience on the part of the builder and designer. This design uses space age composite materials as they best distribute loads. It is possibly the first fully computer-optimized small boat design utilizing a full size prototype. While specifically designed to be enjoyed by a couple (of any age), the simple controls make it a boat to work with, rather than against. It is lightweight, easy to rig, plus easy to trailer. The Johnson 18 is a strict one-design Class ensuring uniformity, competitiveness, and excellent resale value whether at the regional, national or international level.

Johnson Boat Works is possibly the oldest, family owned sailboat manufacturer in the world, founded by John O. Johnson, who was the original designer and builder of the racing scow. Johnson Boat Works currently manufactures nine models of racing sailboats.

The Johnson 18 was designed by Rodger Martin Yacht Designs, the leading U.S. designer of single-handed round the world, racing sailboats.



Foil-shaped, composite rudder and centerboard, provide minimum weight and drag, plus maximum strength and effortless steering control. A kick-up rudder and centerboard allow easy access to shallow waters.

Double E Glass, monocoque backbone adds torsional rigidity and streamlines cockpit layout by housing control lines for centerboard, spinnaker halyard, vang, and cunningham.

Sealed, self-draining cockpit, eliminates the need for bailers.

Harken windward sheeting center traveler, plus Harken hardware throughout.

Recessed deck well houses the jib roller-furling, optimizing efficiency and handling.

Carbon fiber, retractable bowsprit projects the asymmetrical spinnaker beyond the headstay for downwind performance unavailable with a conventional pole.

Loose foot main provides the most efficient sail shape in varying wind conditions, and shortens rigging time.



Length	18'0"
Width	6'7"
Draft:	Board up5"
	Board down.....4'6"
Sail Area:	Main.....127.7 sq. ft.
	Jib.....56.6 sq. ft.
	Spinnaker...190 sq.ft.
Mast Length	23'0"