



Press Release

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MANITOU PONTOON BOATS FIRST TO OFFER TELEFLEX MARINE'S NEW XTREME™ STEERING SYSTEMS

Boat Builder To Install New Xtreme™ Mechanical or SeaStar® Hydraulic Steering On All 2013 Models.

Teleflex Marine announced that Manitou Pontoon Boats, manufacturer of a full line of pontoon boats including the popular X-plode series with patented V-Toon® Technology, will offer their buyers a choice of either the new Xtreme mechanical or SeaStar hydraulic steering systems. With Teleflex Marine's Xtreme system, customers can enjoy a new level of steering ease and control on a wide range of Manitou pontoons.

"Manitou is the first company to fully commit to our new Xtreme system," said Tom Douglass, VP of sales and marketing for Teleflex Marine. "We appreciate Manitou's confidence in our new system. Their customers will be thrilled with the performance."

Teleflex Marine Xtreme Steering reduces the effort required to turn the wheel in boats with higher horsepower engines or hulls with large wetted surfaces, such as pontoons. A key to this new system's performance is Teleflex Marine's Xtreme Steering Cable. This robust, high performance cable features splined ridges on the inner liner for minimal contact between the liner and core. The resulting reduction in cable friction not only improves performance, it keeps the entire steering system running smoother, longer.

This new generation steering cable is matched with Teleflex Marine's new Xtreme Steering Helm featuring a high-efficiency, custom gear train and an improved No Feedback™ (NFB) clutch that minimizes the affects of engine torque.

"Manitou Pontoon Boats has always taken pride in providing the BEST steering available to our customers, giving them a pleasurable and safe boating experience. Young or old, male or female, everyone will feel comfortable driving a Manitou. To accomplish this, we have made the investment in customer satisfaction by offering only Teleflex Xtreme Mechanical Steering, SeaStar Hydraulic Steering or SeaStar Power Assist Steering as STANDARD equipment," said Scott Vanwageningen, President of Manitou Pontoon Boats.



To learn more about new Teleflex Xtreme or SeaStar steering systems, visit the Teleflex Marine website at www.teleflexmarine.com.

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