



2025 Sundown Series

Fridays: May 16, June 13, July 11, Aug 8

Del Rey Yacht Club

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NOTICE OF RACE (NoR) & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI)

May 16: Classes posted in NoR/SI 6.

This is a casual, fun series with a gathering at DRYC after each race. If you're new to racing, we encourage you to join in! And it's a great opportunity for experienced racers to sharpen their skills and meet other sailors.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the *rules* as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 Marina del Rey (MdR) Course Chart 17 applies.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Changes to the SIs will be posted before 1500 on the day of the race.
- 2.2 Changes to the SIs may be made on the water by the RC on VHF.
- 2.3 RC may shorten course on the water by notification on VHF. This changes RRS 32.2.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at dryc.org/racing.
- 3.2 On the water, the RC will monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF **68**




4 ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 4.1 This event is open to all monohull sailboats. Yacht Club memberships, sail numbers, and PHRF certificates are not required for the Cruiser Class(s). ~~Valid PHRF certificates are required for Performance classes.~~ [amended May 13]
- 4.2 Novice sailors may contact the Race Committee (RC) for assistance with entering, race procedures, and obtaining ratings for their boats.
- 4.3 The entry cut off time is 1500 the day of each race. Enter at dryc.org/racing
- 4.4 The entry fee is \$10.00 per race or \$5.00 for members of U.S. Sailing.

5 DIVISIONS & CLASSES







- 5.1 There will be both Performance and Cruiser classes using Windward/Leeward (W/L) ratings per PHRF of Southern California or an assigned rating for boats without certificates as determined by the RC.
- 5.2 The RC will establish classes and assign boats to them. Classes will be posted by 1800 May 16.

6 SCHEDULE

Classes	Class Numbers & Flags	PHRF Ratings	Warning Times
Performance 1	1 	≤ 99	1755
Performance 2	2 	≥ 100	1800
Cruiser	3 	ALL	1805

7 COURSES, MARKS & HANDICAP DISTANCES

- 7.1 From the starting line at SS mark, sail the course signaled by the RC.
- 7.2 Marks are spars, flags, and inflatables, except 2ES is a bell buoy.
- 7.3 The mark Offset is not in MdR Course Chart 17. Offset is an inflatable located at approximately 33° 57.333'N, 118° 27.412' W.
- 7.4 All marks are rounding marks and shall be left to port. If a mark is not on station, round the mark location listed in MdR Course Chart 17.

COURSE E	COURSE F	COURSE G	COURSE K	COURSE T	COURSE W
					
DD	D	S	V	S	J
H	H	2ES	H	SS	SS
D	V	Offset	S	H	J
Offset	Offset	Finish	Offset	Offset	Offset
Finish	Finish		Finish	Finish	Finish
8 nm	7 nm	6.5 nm	4 nm	4 nm	3.5 nm

8 THE START: The starting line will be on the course side of mark **SS** and an orange flag on the RC boat.

9 THE FINISH:

9.1 The finishing line is between the staff of a blue flag on the RC boat in the mouth of Ballona Creek and the green light on the south end of the MdR detached breakwater.

9.2 If the RC is not on station, boats shall take their finish times when the green light bears 200°m and email racers@dryc.org with sail number, boat name, finish time, and closest boat (if known).

10 TIME LIMIT: The absolute time limit (ATL) for finishing is 1945. Boats failing to finish before the ATL will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2, and A10.

11 SCORING: Boats will be scored using PHRF Area B windward/leeward ratings.

12 HEARING REQUESTS: The protest time limit is 30 minutes after a boat finishes or retires. Protests shall be submitted by emailing to racers@dryc.org, or at DRYC's front desk. Parties to the protest will be notified of the time and place of the hearing.

13 SAFETY REGULATIONS

13.1 [DP] A boat that withdraws from racing (will not finish) or retires shall notify and be acknowledged by the RC at the first reasonable opportunity on channel 68.

13.2 RRS 40.1 applies to boats without lifelines: Competitors shall wear USCG approved personal flotation devices.

14 RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

15 PRIZES: Prizes, based on the number of entries, will be awarded at DRYC after each race.

16 CONTACTS

DRYC Race Chairman:	Brendan Huffman	racers@dryc.org
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INFORMATION FOR COMPETITORS (NOT PART OF THE NOR OR SI):

COMPETITORS MEETING: There will be a competitors' meeting on Monday, May 12, 2025, at 1800 via Zoom. A link to the meeting will be e-mailed to all skippers who register to enter the race before 1600 on May 12.

HOSPITALITY: Participants are invited to enjoy refreshments at Del Rey YC following each race.