

**56<sup>th</sup> Annual**  
**Seal Beach to Dana Point Race**  
**Saturday, July 12, 2025**



## NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority (OA) for this Regatta is Dana Point Yacht Club (DPYC) and Seal Beach Yacht Club (SLBYC). The Race Committees (RC) of both clubs will manage this race jointly.

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 This race shall be governed by the Rules as defined in the [2025-2028 Racing Rules of Sailing](#) (RRS).
- 1.2 [US Sailing Prescriptions](#) will apply except as modified by this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.3 All boats shall comply with the current equipment and safety regulations set forth by [US Safety Equipment Regulations \(SER\) Nearshore Category](#), except as modified by this notice of race or the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4 For boats competing in the PHRF Fleet, the Rules of [PHRF of Southern California](#) (PHRF) apply.
- 1.5 For boats forming a One-Design class (five or more), the rules of the relevant One-Design class will also apply and they shall compete in the PHRF Fleet.

## **2. RULES – AMENDED**

- 2.1 RRS 60.5(c) is modified to add (5) when the protest committee (PC) decides a boat that is a party to a protest hearing has broken a rule outside of RRS Part 2, it may assign a time penalty to be added to the boat's corrected time.
- 2.2 US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 63.1 will not apply.
- 2.3 RRS 61.4 (b) is modified to add (6) interruption of a boat's progress by a government authority.
- 2.4 For the purpose of RRS 47 – Biodegradable material used to band spinnakers is not trash if lost overboard during a spinnaker launch.
- 2.5 [DP] RRS 29 Recalls – The penalty for OCS shall be 30 minutes of elapsed time added to a boat's elapsed time on the course in lieu of being scored OCS.

## **3. ELIGIBILITY**

- 3.1. The race is open to ocean racing/cruising sailing vessels whose owners or charterers are members of a yacht club recognized by US Sailing or SCYA. All boats must conform to USCG and US Sailing requirements.
- 3.2. Boats competing in the PHRF Fleet must have a valid current PHRF rating certificate.
- 3.3. Cruising Fleet boats should, but are not required to have a PHRF rating certificate.
  - 3.3.1. If a boat entering the Cruising Fleet does not have a PHRF rating certificate, the boat will be assigned a rating by the RC whose decision is final and binding and shall not be grounds for a request for redress. This Changes RRS 78.
- 3.4. Multihull boats are invited to participate in this race. Multihulls will have their own fleet if established with a minimum of 5 entries.

## **4. ENTRY AND FEES**

- 4.1. To become an entrant in the race, skippers must complete an [Online Entry Form](#) and pay all fees by the entry deadline. The date stamp of the online entry will be your entry date once payment is completed.
- 4.2. The Early Entry Fee is \$75 if received by July 1, 2025.
- 4.3. The Entry Fee is \$95 if received after July 1 and before the entry deadline.
- 4.4. **The final entry deadline is 1800 hours, Friday, July 11, 2025. Entries submitted after this deadline will be deemed not received.**
- 4.5. If an entry is cancelled or withdrawn prior to July 1, 2025 the entry fee, less a 7% processing fee, will be refunded. After that date no refunds will be made.

## **5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 5.1 Sailing Instructions (SI) will be posted on the [Official Notice Board](#) no later than July 10, 2025.
- 5.2 Class breaks and their scheduled warning times will be published with the SI.
- 5.3 Any amendments to the SI will be posted on the Official Notice Board no later than 2000 hours on July 11, 2025.

## **6. COMMUNICATION**

- 6.1 The [Official Notice Board](#) is located on the Regatta Network race website.
- 6.2 Any amendments made to this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 6.3 Amendments may also be posted on the Supplementary Notice Boards located upstairs at DPYC and outside the main entrance in an enclosed case at SLBYC.
- 6.1 Communication Restrictions, RRS 41 – Outside Help, attention to ISAF Case 120 from the US Sailing Appeals Committee, which clarifies the application of RRS 41 and governs competitor's actions during the race.

## **7. COMPETITORS MEETING**

- 7.1 There will be no competitor's meeting.

## **8. FLEETS & CLASSES**

- 8.1 PHRF and Cruising boats will each have their own fleet and both fleets will be divided into classes based upon the type and number of entries.
- 8.2 Multihull Fleet, if established, will be a separate fleet.
- 8.3 One-Design classes, if established, will compete in the PHRF fleet.
- 8.4 Where the OA receives fewer than 5 entries for a Class, the RC reserves the right to reassign those boats to another Class.
- 8.5 Entries that desire to establish a One-Design class should contact the OA by June 25, 2025.
- 8.6 Non-Spinnaker offsets will be used for the Cruising Fleet entries.
- 8.7 Class breaks and assignments will be posted on the [Official Notice Board](#).

## **9. COURSE AND START**

- 9.1 This is an Offwind Course Rating (OWC) race.
- 9.2 The scheduled time of the first Warning Signal is 1055 hours.
- 9.3 The start line will be defined in the Sailing Instructions and will be located just offshore of the Seal Beach Pier between the RC Signal Boat and a flag.
- 9.4 All boats shall leave the San Juan Whistle Buoy (Dana Point Chart - Mark W) to port.
- 9.5 The finish line shall be defined in the Sailing Instructions and will be located at a green lighted buoy, "G1" (FLG 2.5 sec.) at approximately 33°27.10' N by 117°41.90' W.

## **10. SCORING PENALTY**

- 10.1 US Sailing Prescriptions Appendix V will apply.

## **11. SCORING**

- 11.1 The Low-Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 11.2 Overall results will be calculated using the boat's PHRF OWC rating and the overall winner will be the PHRF Fleet boat with the lowest PHRF corrected time.
- 11.3 Results for all other Classes will be calculated using the PHRF OWC rating, ORCA 2025 Q2 rating or RC assigned rating.

## 12. RISK STATEMENT – DISCLAIMER

- 12.1 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 an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this race participate entirely at their own risk. The race organizers (OA, RA, RC, PC, host clubs, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this race. By participating in this race, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

## 13. INSURANCE

- 13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid watercraft liability insurance policy in an amount not less than \$300,000 personal injury and personal property damage of \$100,000.

## 14. PRIZES

- 14.1 Trophy presentations will be at DPYC following racing. The Keith Morgan Memorial Dana Point Race Best Boat PHRF Corrected Time Trophy will be awarded.
- 14.2 Take home trophies will be awarded in customary numbers to all classes, as well as, to the First Overall PHRF boat.

## 15. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 15.1 At both clubs, a **limited number** of slips will be available as first come / first served, based on regatta entry date. **Early entry improves your chances of obtaining a slip.**
- 15.2 After registration, for slip requests please contact:
- 15.2.1 SLBYC Port Captain, at [portcaptain@slbyc.com](mailto:portcaptain@slbyc.com) or SLBYC office at 562.594.6337.
  - 15.2.2 DPYC Port Captain at [port@dpyc.org](mailto:port@dpyc.org) or DPYC office at 949.496.2900.
- 15.3 Upon arrival in Alamitos Bay, SLBYC can be contacted on VHF 71 for berthing assignment. Restrooms and showers are available.
- 15.4 Confirmed reservations at DPYC will be given slip assignments prior to the race date.
- 15.5 The DPYC facilities will be available for use by skippers, crew and guests throughout the weekend. If necessary a dock gate key will be available from the Port Captain with a \$75 refundable deposit.
- 15.6 Trophy presentations are planned following racing on Saturday at approximately 6PM depending upon wind conditions of the race. All racers and their guests are invited.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Questions regarding the Notice of Race, Entry, Eligibility or Sailing Instructions, including interpretations of published rules and amendments, must be submitted in writing to the OA at [race@dpyc.org](mailto:race@dpyc.org).

## SOCIAL INFORMATION

**Dining at Seal Beach:** Seal Beach Yacht Club will offer dinner on Friday night. Please call SLBYC at (562) 594-6337 to make reservations.

### **Dana Point Yacht Club Hours:**

**Saturday**, 11AM to 9PM – Full bar service and dinner will be available.

Trophy Presentations Saturday Evening @ 6PM

**Sunday**, 11AM to 8PM – Brunch, dinner and full bar service will be available.



#### **DPYC Race Co-Chair**

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***Early entries make GREAT RACES and receive priority for slips.***

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