



LOS ANGELES YACHT CLUB®



96th Annual Midwinter Regatta – Mercury Class 2026

Notice of Race Saturday and Sunday, February 14 & 15, 2026

Los Angeles Yacht Club
285 Whalers Walk
San Pedro, California 90731
www.LAYC.org

The organizing authority for the 96th Annual Midwinter Regatta – Mercury Class is the Southern California Yachting Association (SCYA). Los Angeles Yacht Club is the host yacht club.

1. Rules

- 1.1. This series is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* for 2025-2028 (RRS), except that if there is a conflict, Mercury Class Yacht Racing Association (MCYRA) class rules take precedence.

2. Eligibility and Entries

- 2.1. This regatta is open to eligible boats of the Mercury Class whose owner/skipper is a current member in good standing of the MCYRA.
- 2.2. Eligible boats must enter online by completing a Race Entry through Regatta Network and paying the required fee: [96th Annual Midwinter Regatta - Mercury Class Registration](#)
- 2.3. The entry deadline is 1800, Friday, February 13, 2026.

3. Fees

- 3.1. The entry fee is \$37.00 per boat and covers only the entry of the boat.
- 3.2. Entries will not be considered complete until fees have been paid.
- 3.3. Online payment is available through Regatta Network at: [96th Annual Midwinter Regatta - Mercury Class Registration](#).

4. Schedule of Events.

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| Friday, Feb 13 | Arrival, Rigging and Tuning | All day |
| Saturday, Feb 14 | Competitors Briefing (at LAYC) | 1000 |
| | First Warning (3 races planned) | 1225 |
| Sunday, Feb 15 | First Warning (2 races planned) | 1225 |

5. Sailing Instructions.

- 5.1. Sailing Instructions for this event will be available on or before 1800, Thursday, February 12, 2026.

6. Venue.

- 6.1. The regatta will be sailed inside the breakwater near San Pedro, California.
6.2. Warrior II, a 48' Grand Banks Trawler will serve as the Race Committee signal boat.

7. Courses.

- 7.1. The courses to be sailed are windward-leeward and will be described in detail in the sailing instructions.

8. Scoring.

- 8.1. Five (5) races are scheduled with three (3) or more on Saturday and two (2) or more on Sunday.
8.2. There will be no throw out, and a minimum of two (2) races must be completed to constitute a regatta. This changes RRS A2.

9. Trophies.

- 9.1. Trophies will be awarded according to the SCYA rules based on number of entrants.
9.2. The presentation of awards takes place in the dining room of the Los Angeles Yacht Club after racing is completed on Sunday, February 15, 2026.

10. Hospitality.

- 10.1. A separate Hospitality document will be posted on the regatta website.

11. Disclaimer of Liability.

- 11.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authorities do not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
11.2. This disclaimer will be acknowledged by the skipper's entry form.

12. Further Information.

- 12.1. Complimentary launching facilities and long dock for overnight moorage are available at Cabrillo Way Dry Boat Storage. Facilities include three hoists with valet service for launching and retrieval, trailer storage, parking, and a wash down area. All boats must provide their own lifting gear. The facility is located at 2845 S. Miner St., San Pedro (directly across the channel from the LAYC clubhouse).
12.2. Overnight accommodations are available at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel, San Pedro, 2800 Via Cabrillo Marina (next door to the LAYC clubhouse). Reservations available at 310-514-3344 or online.

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