

2025 SCYA 95th Midwinter Regatta

Saturday, February 22 & 23, 2025

Marina del Rey host:
Santa Monica Windjammers
Yacht Club



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1. This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2. RRS 63.7 will be modified to include: "If there is a conflict between a rule in the Notice of Race and one in the Sailing instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall apply".
- 1.3. Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply
- 1.4. Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, will apply.
- 1.5. The PHRF of Southern California "Marine Industry Racer Rule" will not apply.
- 1.6. US Sailing Prescriptions to rules 63.1 and 63.2 will not apply.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted at SMWYC.org and on the event website: <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/28914> no later than 0900 of the day on which they take effect.

3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the sailing instructions or other race documents will be posted to the event website at: <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/28914> and on SWMYC.org **if feasible, no later than** 0900 the day they take effect.

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1. February 22, 2025: PHRF classes: 3 buoy races will be attempted
and Cruising Classes: 2 random leg course (RLC)
- 4.2. February 23, 2025: PHRF classes: 2 buoy races will be attempted
and Cruising Classes: 1 random leg course (RLC)
- 4.3. 1st Warning Signal: 1155 on February 22, 2025 and February 23, 2025

5. CLASS FLAGS, ORDER OF STARTS, CLASS SPLITS

The order of starts, class flags and class splits will be posted before 0900 on race day on <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/28914>. This changes the Notice of Race

6. RACING AREAS and CHECK IN

6.1. The racing area will be on Santa Monica Bay outside Marina del Rey detached breakwater in the vicinity of “S” Mark. This changes the NOR.

6.2. After the Signal boat has anchored and hoisted the “L” (“Come within hail”) flag, competitors shall cross the stern of the Signal boat, preferably while on starboard tack, and call out their sail number to be recognized by the RC. Failure to check in may result in disqualification [DP].

6.3. Competitors who must sail to Marina del Rey from another harbor may check in by radio, VHF Channel 71.

7. THE COURSES

7.1. PHRF fleets will have windward/leeward courses taken from Windward/Leeward Course Chart. See Attachment B

7.2. Cruising Class will have random leg courses chosen from courses prepared by the Race Committee OR courses chosen from Windward/Leeward Course Chart. See Attachment C – Random Leg Courses and Attachment B – Windward/Leeward Course Chart. Note: due to many permanent marks being off station Random Leg Courses may include tetrahedron marks set by Race Committee or GPS coordinates.

8. MARKS

8.1. Windward marks will be orange tetrahedrons. RC will attempt to set Leeward gates with yellow tetrahedrons. If not, orange tetrahedrons will be used.

9. THE START

9.1. The Signal boat will be anchored in the vicinity of “S” Mark. Start will be between an orange flag on the Signal boat and an orange inflatable shape.

9.2. An orange or yellow inflatable shape may be set off the back of the Signal boat during starting sequences and at the start. This shape, and the line connecting it to the Signal boat, shall be considered part of the Signal boat and thus part of the starting mark.

9.3. For the first race of the day, performance boats will start, followed by Cruising class in rolling 5-minute sequences unless otherwise instructed by PRO. Race(s) thereafter will start as soon as practicable for each class. The Starting Signal for each class will be the Warning Signal for the next class.

9.4. After the first race, the RC will attempt to start class races as soon as practicable after the last boat in a class has finished the prior race. The RC will sound multiple horns approximately one minute before the Warning Signal.

9.5. Boats in classes for which the Warning Signal has not been made shall stay clear of the starting area. Boats not starting shall stay clear of the Start Line by a minimum of four (4) boat lengths. Only Race Committee may protest boats impinging on the start line. Penalty for impinging on the start line may include disqualification or other penalty as determined by the Protest Committee [DP].

9.6. In the event a boat is OCS at the start: The RC may attempt to notify that boat by hailing its sail number over the designated VHF Channel (See SI 19). No part of this hail, or lack thereof, shall be grounds for redress.

9.7. A boat starting later than five (5) minutes after her starting signal may be scored DNS without a hearing [DP].

10. THE FINISH

The finish line will be between a flag on Signal boat and a flag or inflatable shape on the *side of the Signal boat opposite* the starting line.

11. TIME LIMITS

11.1. Finishing Window: Performance and Cruising boats failing to finish within 25 minutes of the first boat in their class shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35.

11.2. Retirement: Any boat retiring shall notify the RC as soon as possible.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, shall apply.

13. PROTESTS & REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

13.1 Any boat intending to file a protest should notify the Race Committee after finishing that race. This is in addition to the requirements of RRS 61.1.

13.2. Hearing request forms are available from US Sailing: https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/US_Sailing_Hearing_Request_Form_20210301_Fillable.pdf

13.3. Protest filing time limit is 60 minutes after the Signal Boat docks. This changes RRS 61.3.

13.4. Notices to inform competitors of an arbitration hearing (per Appendix T) will be posted within 30 minutes after the protest time limit on the official notice board.

14. SCORING

14.1. PHRF Classes:

14.1.1 Two races are required to constitute a series.

14.1.2 Low-Point scoring will be used, with PHRF SoCal Area B handicaps applied.

14.1.3. No race score will be excluded. This changes RRS A2.

14.2. Cruising Class:

14.2.1 One race is required to constitute a series.

14.2.2 Low-Point scoring will be used with PHRF SoCal Area B handicap plus-non-spinnaker-offset if available.

14.2.3 No race score will be excluded. This changes RRS A2.

15. PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded after racing on Sunday.

16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

Boats shall carry equipment required by law and obey maritime regulations.

17. COMMUNICATION

17.1. The RC will use **Channel 71** for fleet communications.

17.2. The RC may use the radio to make competitors aware of its intentions, the course to be sailed, starting times, courses changes, On Course Side (OCS), postponements, and other information regarding the racing. RC failure to announce any of the above shall not be grounds for protest or redress.

18. HOSPITALITY

After-race hospitality and trophy presentation will be held at Santa Monica Windjammers Yacht Club, 13589 Mindanao Way following racing

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See **RRS 4, Decision to race**. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

Race Officials

Event Chair:

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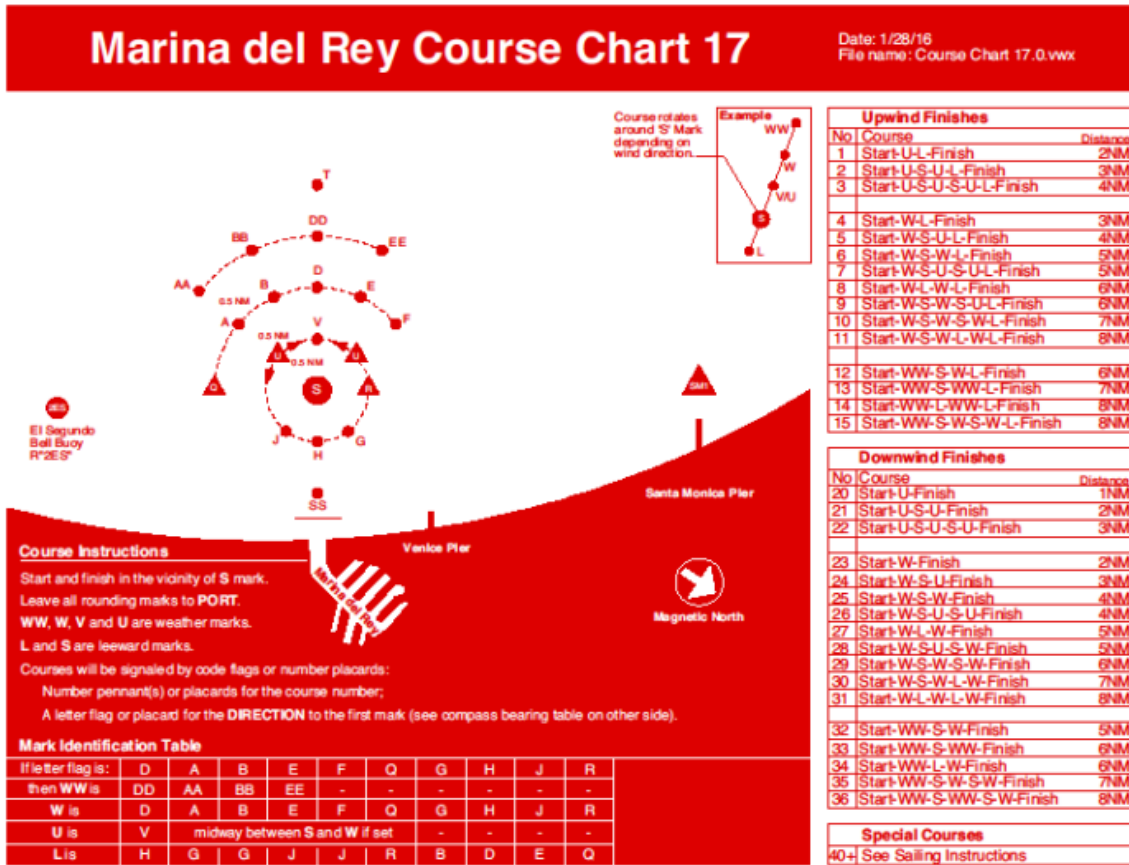
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Race information available at <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/28914>

Attachment A – Course Chart 17



Marina del Rey Course Chart 17

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TO ————— Approximate magnetic course between marks —————>

FROM ↓

	A	AA	B	BB	D	DD	E	EE	F	G	H	J	Q	R	S	T	V	SS	2ES	SM1
S	185	185	210	210	235	235	260	260	285	018	055	092	145	325	-	235	235	055	138	331
A	-	185	288	245	300	277	313	298	325	009	021	031	075	352	005	264	336	030	119	339
AA	005	-	330	288	323	300	327	313	335	008	017	023	046	355	005	283	347	025	107	342
B	108	150	-	210	312	270	325	302	337	026	038	050	088	009	030	256	009	042	117	344
BB	065	108	030	-	355	312	348	325	352	027	036	044	070	015	030	280	019	040	107	349
D	120	143	132	175	-	235	338	295	350	043	055	067	100	028	055	235	055	055	119	348
DD	097	120	090	132	055	-	020	338	013	046	055	064	089	037	055	235	055	055	112	355
E	133	147	145	168	158	200	-	260	002	060	072	084	113	050	080	214	101	068	124	349
EE	118	133	122	145	115	158	080	-	045	066	074	083	105	061	080	190	092	070	118	359
F	145	155	157	172	170	193	182	225	-	079	089	101	125	077	105	206	135	080	129	347
G	189	188	206	207	223	226	240	246	259	-	127	145	162	262	198	228	217	082	146	323
H	201	197	218	216	235	235	252	254	269	307	-	163	172	280	235	235	235	055	148	321
J	211	203	230	224	247	244	264	263	281	325	343	-	175	298	272	242	254	028	146	324
Q	255	226	268	250	280	269	293	285	305	342	352	355	-	325	325	262	299	010	133	329
R	172	175	189	195	208	217	230	241	257	082	100	118	145	-	145	221	190	082	139	332
T	084	103	076	100	055	055	034	010	026	048	055	062	082	041	055	-	055	055	105	002
V	156	167	189	199	235	235	281	272	315	037	055	074	119	010	055	235	-	055	128	340
SS	210	205	222	220	235	235	248	250	260	262	235	208	190	262	235	235	235	-	158	312
2ES	299	287	297	287	299	292	304	298	309	326	328	326	313	319	318	285	308	338	-	324
SM1	159	162	164	169	168	175	169	179	167	143	141	144	149	152	151	182	160	132	144	-

Mark Locations

Mark	Latitude	Longitude
A	33° 56.243' N	118° 29.606' W
AA	33° 55.770' N	118° 29.799' W
B	33° 56.467' N	118° 30.050' W
BB	33° 56.107' N	118° 30.466' W
D	33° 56.827' N	118° 30.337' W
DD	33° 56.647' N	118° 30.899' W
E	33° 57.254' N	118° 30.417' W
EE	33° 57.288' N	118° 31.017' W
F	33° 57.669' N	118° 30.270' W
G	33° 57.611' N	118° 28.898' W
H	33° 57.367' N	118° 28.655' W
J	33° 57.051' N	118° 28.637' W
Q	33° 56.257' N	118° 28.779' W
R	33° 57.652' N	118° 29.434' W
S	33° 57.187' N	118° 29.216' W
T	33° 56.464' N	118° 31.459' W
V	33° 57.007' N	118° 29.777' W
SS	33° 57.547' N	118° 28.093' W
2ES	33° 54.698' N	118° 27.563' W
SM1	34° 00.176' N	118° 30.226' W

Please note: These are the designated locations for the marks; every effort is made to keep them as close as possible to the above coordinates, but there is no guarantee as to their actual positions. Marks listed above with the exception of 2ES are owned and maintained by the Yacht Clubs in MdR and may only be used with prior approval from the Buoy Coordinator.

Description of Marks

A, AA, B, BB, V, D, DD, T, E, EE, F, G, H, J and SS marks are yellow spars.
Q, R, U, and SM1 are inflatable or flag marks that may be set by the race committee.
2ES is the El Segundo bell buoy.
Missing marks may be replaced by inflatable or flag marks.

Handicap Distances

The handicap distance from S to:
U, V, R, G, H, or J = 0.5 NM
A, B, D, E, F, Q or SS = 1.0 NM
AA, BB, DD or EE = 1.5 NM
T = 2.0 NM