



Sunset Series Cruising Championship

Wednesday, September 9, 2026

Marina del Rey, California USA

NOTICE OF RACE

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Organizing Authority is California Yacht Club (CYC), located at 4469 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey, CA 90292

Phone: 310.823.4567 | Web: www.calyachtclub.com

Event Chair: Debbie Feinerman & Lisa Bronitt | See NoR 13 for contact information

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in [The Racing Rules of Sailing](#) ("RRS").
- 1.2 US Sailing Prescription RRS 81, Indemnification or Hold Harmless Agreements, does not apply.
- 1.3 Rule 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: (2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be posted by Saturday, September 5, on the Official Notice Board.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The Official Notice Board is the [King of the Hill and Sunset Series Cruising Championship](#) webpage on the CYC website.
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on normal domestic and international channels.
- 3.3 On the water, the Race Committee (RC) may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio, including starting penalties. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Only Sunset Series Cruising Division boats that receive an invitation are eligible to enter, up to a maximum of eight (8) boats.
- 4.2 "Initial Invitations", based on the final standings of the 2026 Sunset Series, will be issued on Wednesday, September 2 to the following:
 - (a) The highest-ranking boats from each Sunset Series class in the Cruising Division determined by average number of starters by class (rounded to the nearest whole number) as follows:

7 or fewer boats	2 invitations
8 or 9 boats	3 invitations
10 or more boats	4 invitations
 - (b) The highest-ranking boats from the final overall standings for the 2026 Sunset Series Cruising Division that have not received invitations under NoR 4.2(a) in order to complete the maximum number of eight (8) boats.
- 4.3 "Alternate Invitations" will be issued in the following order:
 - (a) Up to one (1) additional boat by class ranking from each class in the Cruising Division if a boat that is eligible under NoR 4.2(a) does not enter by the deadline specified in NoR 4.6;
 - (b) Additional boats that qualify under 4.2(b) in order to complete the maximum number of eight (8) boats from the Cruising Division;
- 4.4 If there are protests or appeals relating to the final standings of the 2026 Sunset Series, the boats entitled to invitations shall be determined by the results as of 2100 on Thursday, September 3.
- 4.5 Eligible boats may enter by completing online registration and paying the required fees at the link on the [Official Notice Board](#).
- 4.6 The entry deadline for boats receiving Initial Invitations is 1800 on Saturday, September 5; the entry deadline for boats receiving Alternate Invitations is 1200 on Tuesday, September 8.
- 4.7 Entries submitted after that time may be accepted at the discretion of the event chairs.

5. CLASSES

All boats will compete in a single class with an “inverted start” format (first boat to finish wins). The starting time for each boat, depending on course distance selected, will be posted by 1200 on Wednesday, September 9 to the [Official Notice Board](#).

6. FEES

The entry fee is \$17. Current members of US Sailing will receive a \$2 discount with proof of membership.

7. SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 5	1800	Entry deadline for Initial Invitations
Tuesday, September 8	1200	Entry deadline for Alternate Invitations
Wednesday, September 9	1200	Starting times posted
	1720	First warning signal
	2000	Time limit for finishing
	After racing	Trophy presentation at CYC

8. VENUE

The racing area will be on Santa Monica Bay and inside Marina del Rey Harbor.

9. COURSES

Boats will start outside the Harbor at MDR Mark SS (see [Marina del Rey Course Chart 18](#)), go to a weather mark and possibly a reach mark, and finish in the vicinity of the CYC Guest Dock.

10. SCORING

This is a pursuit race with individual starting times based on course distance. Boats will be scored according to their order of finish.

11. RISK STATEMENT

Competitors in the event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. By participating in the event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers (organizing authority, host yacht club, race committee, protest committee, sponsors, and any others acting in an official capacity for the event) from any and all liability associated with such competitor’s participation in the event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

12. PRIZES

- 12.1 The awards ceremony will be held at CYC after racing.
- 12.2 Trophies will be awarded at CYC to the first and second place boats as soon as possible after the race.
- 12.3 The name of the winning boat will be engraved on the Sunset Series Cruising Championship perpetual trophy.

13. FURTHER INFORMATION

Event Chair: Debbie Feinerman at dsfeinerman@gmail.com & Lisa Bronitt at lisa@lisabronitt.com

CYC Waterfront Director: Chase Young at chase@calyachtclub.com or 310.823.4567.

Hospitality: Food and beverages will be available for purchase at CYC after the race.

Boat Launching, Berthing & Storage: Competitors are invited to use the dry storage, hoists and assigned docks at CYC during the event, subject to applicable CYC guidelines and protocols. For information and arrangements regarding boat storage immediately preceding and following the event contact the CYC Waterfront Director.