

PCISA Keelboat Challenge

Organizing Authority: Pacific Coast Interscholastic Sailing Association

Host: San Diego Yacht Club

1011 Anchorage Lane, San Diego, CA 92106

September 20 - 21, 2025

NOTICE OF RACE



1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the Prescriptions of US Sailing (US Sailing prescriptions to rules 60, 63.2, 63.4 are deleted), the ISSA Procedural Rules (as modified by the PCISA District Rules), this Notice of Race, the SDYC J22 Boat Handling Rules and the Sailing Instructions. In the event of a conflict the Sailing Instructions shall take precedence.
- 1.2. J22 Class Rules will not apply.
- 1.3. In accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules PR20(b) the right of appeal is denied at all District Qualifiers. Decisions of the Protest Committee shall be final.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1. At the time of registration competing schools must be current and ACTIVE members of PCISA/ISSA and meet ISSA eligibility rules as prescribed in the Procedural Rules.
- 2.2. Teams must be accompanied by a designated adult team leader, who may be an advisor, coach or parent recognized by the school. (See ISSA PR 1.3)
- 2.3. All competitors must be full-time students, in the 9th-12th grades, of the school they represent. Teams (students) may not combine with teams (students) from another school to form a team.
- 2.4. The crew shall include 4 sailors and have a weight limit of 650 lbs. There shall be at least one crew member from each gender (male & female).

3. ENTRY & COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1. Each High School can submit 1 team.
- 3.2. Teams must register online and pay all applicable fees at the regatta website prior to 1700 Friday September 12, 2025.
- 3.3. Registration available online at: <https://hssailing.org/machform/view.php?id=264032>
- 3.4. As a part of their entry teams will need to submit name and weight of skipper and all crew. There are 10 berths available. If the event is oversold at the registration deadline final team determinations shall be made by the PCISA Board based on resume items that may be requested after entries are received. Resume Items to include:
 - 3.4.1. Team/Schools ranking in PCISA Events in 2024-25
 - 3.4.2. Team members (Skipper & Crew) experience in small keelboat sailing & Racing Resume
 - 3.4.3. If teams have similar "rankings" on the above two items, priority will be given to the "older team" (as determined by Year in High School)

4. ENTRY FEE

- 4.1. The entry is \$350 per school. This includes boat and sail charter and awards for top placing teams.
- 4.2. The entry fee shall be submitted prior to 1700 Friday September 12, 2025, via the event website.

5. BOATS

- 5.1. J22 style boats with main/jib/spinnaker will be provided by the San Diego Yacht Club. Teams will use the Spinnaker that they are assigned throughout the regatta.
- 5.2. Competitors are responsible for ensuring the boats are in shipshape condition each day after racing.

6. DAMAGE & PAYMENTS

- 6.1. Competing teams are required to maintain a \$500 "Damage Deposit". It will be assumed that the Credit Card used to pay the Regatta Entry will serve as the source for this "Deposit". Nothing additional (besides the entry fee) will be charged to this Credit Card until the Responsible Adult for a team has been notified and matters have been discussed and alternatives agreed as it relates to damage or an incident. An alternative source of funding (another credit card, cash, check, etc.) can be offered by the team at this time of discussion.
- 6.2. Teams are responsible for ALL damage while sailing these boats. In an incident that involves a Protest, the boat(s) found to be "at fault" shall assume liability for all damage unless both parties and the OA agree otherwise. Costs associated with any damage will be billed to the team and that team shall not be eligible for other PCISA events until that bill is paid. If there is damage that cannot be attributed to a specific team the cost of the damage shall be divided amongst all teams in the regatta. Check your boats carefully upon each rotation and notify regatta officials of any damage that existed before you took responsibility for that boat.

7. SCHEDULE

Thursday, September 18, 2025

1330-1800 Boats available for practice for San Diego Area Teams
MUST REGISTER FOR PRACTICE by emailing
erik@sdydc.org by 5pm on 09/15/2025.

Friday, September 19, 2025

1330-1800 Boats available for practice. Teams
MUST REGISTER FOR PRACTICE by emailing
erik@sdydc.org by 5pm on 09/15/2025.

Saturday, September 20, 2025

0830-0930 Registration/Boat pickup/ Breakfast
0945 Competitors Meeting
1130 First Warning
1730 No Start After

Sunday, September 21, 2025

Per NOR 10.3, there may be racing on Sunday

- 7.1. Changes to the schedule will be posted on the official notice board located on the east (water) side of the Malin Burnham Sailing Center.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1. Sailing Instructions and rotations will be available at check in on Saturday.

9. RACING AREA

- 9.1. The racing area will be in San Diego Bay adjacent to Harbor Island.
- 9.2. Sailors should bring adequate clothing, food, and water to be prepared for a long day on the water.

10. FORMAT & COURSES

- 10.1. A maximum of 10 races are scheduled.
- 10.2. Three races are required to constitute a series.
- 10.3. If at least 3 races have been completed by the end of Saturday, the regatta will end. If we are unable to complete at least 3 races on Saturday, we will race on Sunday. A schedule for racing on Sunday will be announced within 30 minutes of the last boat reaching the dock on Saturday.
- 10.4. Based on conditions, the RC will determine the courses as prescribed in ISSA PR 7.7.

11. SCORING

- 11.1. The regatta will be scored in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules.

12. QUALIFIER

- 12.1. This event is a Qualifier for the ISSA Keelboat Challenge to be held December 13-14, 2025 in St. Petersburg, FL in J-70s at SPYC.
- 12.2. Teams attending this PCISA event should be planning to attend the ISSA KB Challenge Regatta detailed above if they qualify. PCISA has one guaranteed berth and may get one or more additional berth(s).

13. PRIZES

- 13.1. Prizes will be awarded to schools placing 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the regatta.

14. COACHING & SPECTATORS

- 14.1. Coaching shall be done from designated coach boats in accordance with ISSA PR 8. Because SDYC is involved in numerous events on this weekend we are asking coaches to bring boats, preferably Hard Bottom Inflatables. **So, all coaches must email erik@sdyc.org indicating if they can bring a boat and if so what size/type of boat. All coaches MUST REGISTER VIA EMAIL by 09/15/2025 @ 5pm.**
- 14.2. Any spectators on the water shall have no contact with any competitor except when rendering assistance under RRS 1, or as instructed by the race committee. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement may be the disqualification of all boats, competitors and teams associated with the infringing support personnel.

15. SAFETY

- 15.1. Sailors should bring adequate clothing, food, and water to be prepared for a long day on the water. Sailors who are not properly dressed may be sent to shore at the discretion of the race committee.
- 15.2. Competitors must wear an USCG approved PFD at all times while on the water. This modifies the preamble to part 4. RRS 44.1 is in effect.

16. OFFICIAL NOTICE

- 16.1. No competitor shall use, either on or off the water, marijuana or any other controlled substance, as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802, the possession of which is unlawful under U.S. Code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine, and beer, each as defined in Chapter 51 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code and intended for beverage use). An alleged breach of this procedural rule shall not be grounds for a protest. However, when a report is received from any source, alleging such a breach a protest committee consisting of the regatta chairperson, a member of the ISSA Board of Directors, and the chairperson of the protest committee, shall follow the process described in RRS 69.1(b). If a hearing under RRS 69 is held, a competitor found to have breached this procedural rule shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practical, be removed from the regatta venues and sent home.
- 16.2. Additional penalties consistent with RRS 69.2 may be imposed on the competitor or the competitor's team. This regulation is in effect during the entire event from the date and time of arrival through the date and time of departure from the regatta site.

17. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

- 17.1. By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

18. WAIVER OF LIABILITY

- 18.1. Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race.
- 18.2. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, 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 event. By participating in this event, 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.

19. REGATTA CONTACTS

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