



SAILING RENTAL POLICIES

EQUIPMENT USE: WEATHER AND WIND CONDITIONS

QUALIFICATION LEVEL	EQUIPMENT	MAX AVG WIND	MAX AVG WIND GUST	AREA
SAILING				
Sailing I	RS Quest	10 knots	14 knots	Entrance Channel
Sailing II	Laser, RS Vision	14 knots	16 knots	Entrance Channel
Sailing III	Laser, RS Vision	16 knots	20 knots	Entrance Channel & Main Channel
Sailing IV	Laser, RS Vision	18 knots	24 knots	Entrance Channel & Main Channel
Friday Night Races	Laser, RS Vision	16 knots	20 knots	Entrance Channel
UCLA Sailing Team	Flying Junior	16 knots	20 knots	Entrance Channel & Main Channel
<i>Sailing IV</i>	<i>Laser, RS Vision</i>	<i>16 knots</i>	<i>20 knots</i>	<i>Santa Monica Bay (NO GALE FLAG)</i>

The chart above is a guideline. Please note that the Dockmaster has discretion to restrict activities based on weather, experience or other factors.

GENERAL SAFETY

- All participants must be water safe and comfortable swimming a minimum of 100 yards and tread water for a minimum of five minutes.
- Sailors, kayakers, stand up paddle boarders (SUP), and windsurfers are required to wear Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) while on the dock and water, at all times. Rowers are exempt.
- Always communicate with the Dockmaster and indicate on your rental slip where you intend to kayak, SUP, sail, or row and the amount of time you plan on being on the water.
- Complete a safety check of your vessel – make sure everything works and is properly adjusted before entering the water.
- When launching and docking, minimize the time you spend on the dock and the space that you take up to help reduce dock congestion.
- Participants must be able to “self-rescue.”
- If you are unable to self-rescue due to an injury or equipment breakage, stay with the vessel. Do not try to swim to shore. Hail the Dockmaster or other boaters for assistance.
- Participants must be able to steer a safe course through the marina, keeping watch for obstacles to their bow.

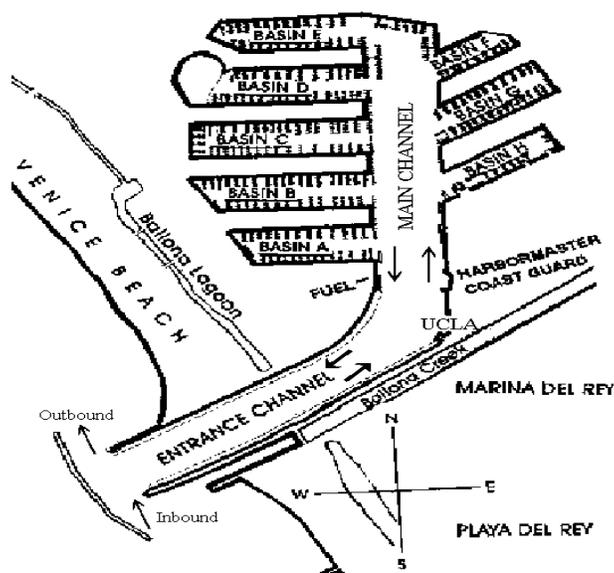
SAILING SAFETY

- Guest may NOT skipper.
- **The skipper is wholly responsible for the safety of his or her crew and vessel at ALL TIMES.** This includes (but is not limited to) knowing, understanding, and obeying ALL Navigation Rules including local traffic patterns, and all UCLA Marina Aquatic Center usage policies and procedures.

- The skipper is wholly responsible for the vessel and equipment in his or her care. Negligence may make the skipper liable for any additional repair and/or replacement costs.
- When sailing on Santa Monica Bay, sailors must be dressed appropriately to prevent hypothermia which is a year-round concern. Wetsuits are mandatory when sailing on Santa Monica Bay from October to May and highly recommended for June through September. Additional spray protection (windbreaker etc.) is also recommended. Jeans are by definition unacceptable attire for sailing outside.

MARINA DEL REY TRAFFIC PATTERNS

- Do not leave the dock unless you know and understand the Navigation Rules and Marina traffic regulations.
- Yield to power vessels when crossing the inbound power channel going to or from the UCLA dock.
- Keep out of the Power Boat Only lanes in the Entrance Channel which is marked by two parallel lines of white and orange buoys marked "No Sail". Stay in the center between the two lines of buoys.
- When departing or entering the Marina keep to the right (pass port to port).
- It is the general responsibility of all vessels to avoid collision.
- Do not stop in an area where you will impede others. Yield to faster vessels.
- Do not block traffic. If you must stop to receive instruction, or adjust equipment, position your boat out of the main traffic flow.



EQUIPMENT CARE

- While rigging, carefully inspect your vessel, equipment and sails for damage. Report any damage or problems to the Dockmaster.
- Sailboats shall never be left unattended on the windward side of the dock — even small waves can cause a great deal of damage by banging the boat into the dock. While alongside, hold boats away from the dock. Do not put your vessel into the water until you are ready to complete rigging and depart the dock as soon as possible.
- Sails should be lowered immediately after docking to prevent damage from flogging in the wind. Do not de-rig boats while in the water — pull them out and finish de-rigging on the dock.
- Remove Lasers, RS Visions from the water as soon as possible after docking. Walk RS Quests to the leeward side of the dock and pull them onto the floating dock immediately after docking.
- Rinse the boat, standing rigging and all equipment with fresh water after every use.
- If sails are wet from capsize or spray, rinse thoroughly with fresh water and hang over the ramp railings to dry. Hang the sails with the battens on the windward side to prevent them from blowing off. Never leave the sails up to dry — flogging will damage the sail cloth.
- Fold or roll sails on the Astroturf or in the boat house if space is available. Never fold or roll the sails on the concrete as it will damage the sail cloth.
 - Sails are ROLLED per the sailing manual.
- Properly coil all lines and stow equipment. Remove all personal items and trash. Replace sail cover when appropriate.
- Return sails to the rack in the appropriate numbered bag.
- Return lifejackets to equipment cage after zipping them up.
- Return wetsuits to equipment cage after dunking them in disinfectant and hang right side out.
- Report any damage to vessel, equipment or sails to the Dockmaster.

FACILITY POLICIES

- Parking at the MAC is limited and available on a first come first serve basis. Facility users are encouraged to ride their bike or carpool. Do not park on any yellow striped area; doing so will force other vehicles to drive on the bike path to get around you. Do not park in the Breakwater Apartment's parking lot or garage - you will be towed. Overflow parking is available at Dock 52 and Fisherman's Village
- Drive slowly and carefully to and from the MAC parking lot. Watch for pedestrians and cyclists on the bike path and the Breakwater access road. Once you reach the Marina Aquatic Center facility, drive on the striped access lane only. DO NOT drive on the LA County bike path. When exiting parking spaces, watch for bike path traffic; stay on the striped driving lane and back into the turnaround area provided.
- Do not use any tools or other supplies owned by the Marina Aquatic Center. Do not attempt to fix or customize any equipment while in your use. See your instructor or the Dockmaster on duty if you need help with equipment.
- The MAC is not responsible for any personal gear, clothing, etc. left in the locker rooms, boat bays, or other areas of the facility. Please store your gear in lockers provided or in your vehicle. Remember to pick up your gear before you leave.
- If you are using the docks on Ballona Creek at low tide, never attempt to jump or walk over the algae growth on the hoist docks. Ask MAC Staff to lower you down to the water with the dock.
- Never step over a boat on the ground, always walk around it.
- Please pick up after yourself - trash, water bottles, & towel etc!
- Help us conserve! Turn off lights in restrooms, locker room, classrooms, and boathouse bays when not in use. Turn showers, faucets and hoses off completely when finished. Recycle plastic, glass and aluminum in bins provided.
- Report all injuries and equipment damage immediately to the Dockmaster, coach or instructor.
- To protect your feet, always wear shoes at the MAC. Shoes should have sufficient tread and heel support to prevent you from slipping on the wet surfaces around the dock. Bare feet are only allowed on the dock as you are launching or docking rowing shells, stand up paddleboards, windsurfers, kayaks, lasers or surfboards. Shoes should be replaced first thing after docking.

The following is prohibited at the UCLA Marina Aquatic Center:

- Alcohol
- Smoking or vaping
- Dogs off of their leash.
- Launching of personal equipment.
- Running, roughhousing, and/or riding bikes or scooters anywhere around the facility.
- Talking loudly or making excessive noise that may disturb our neighbors, before 8am and after 9pm.
- Sitting in or riding on the rolling equipment.

WEATHER POLICIES

WIND

- No outside sailing or kayaking if gale flag is up at the Harbormaster's Office.
- Conditions within three hours of the rental, current weather, and trends will be considered.
- Weather forecast and/or warning flags will be used as justification for amending or suspending water activities in the entrance channel, marina, and Santa Monica Bay.
- Dockmaster will use both Wind Gusts/Maximum Wind Speed and 10-Minute Wind Average in deciding whether to allow rentals.
- If the small craft warning is posted with measured, or expected winds exceeding 20 knots, there will be no water activities.

FOG or LOW VISIBILITY:

- Dockmaster must be able to see the opposite shore for at least 15 continuous minutes before allowing any water activities.
- All renters, and unaccompanied vessels, must maintain visual contact with the MAC at all times.

DARKNESS or LOW LIGHT:

- Lights must be used during early morning and nighttime rentals.
- All boats must display a red and green bow light and a white stern light.

LIGHTNING:

- At the first sign of lightning, all water activities will be immediately suspended and all users – renters, teams, class participants, and staff – should return to the MAC without delay.

RAIN:

- Following significant rainfall, certain water activities shall cease for a minimum of 48 hours after the rain has stopped. All other activities will be allowed on the water after signing a water quality waiver. Please call the Marina Aquatic Center before leaving home to find out whether water activities have resumed.
- No water activities are permitted when there is a thunder and lightning storm.