

# Coast Guard Elite Sports Team of the Year



## Coast Guard Maritime Safety & Security Team Los Angeles Long Beach (MSST LA/LB)

Team MSST LA/LB competed in a variety of running and cycling events in 2015, most notably the Mojave Death Race and the Bataan Memorial Death March. The Mojave Death Race is a grueling 275 mile, 24 hour relay race in the Mojave Desert that consisted of 24 legs that included running, mountain biking, and road cycling, all the while enduring temperatures well above 100 degrees. The team finished third in the First Responder Division and fifteenth overall. The annual Bataan Memorial Death March consists of a 26.2 mile race in full uniform at the White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico. This race is held in honor of Bataan Death March survivors. Team MSST LA/LB members respectfully brought home a fifteenth and sixteenth place finish in the Military Light Category.

Team MSST LA/LB also gave back to the community through a number of outreach projects, including “Heal the Bay,” the Cabrillo Beach clean-up, and “Coasties in the Community,” a monthly volunteer event for programs such as Urban Community Outreach, Hearts to the City, and Palos Verdes Nature Preserve.

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