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News of UPS Battery Center **SOLAR SPLASH® 2026**

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Dates for the 2026 Event

The dates for SOLAR SPLASH 2026 will be Tuesday through Saturday, June 2-6, 2026. The venue will once again be Champions Park Lake at the Clark County Fairgrounds in Springfield, Ohio. Reserve the dates on your calendar now!

Springfield is located in the southern part of Ohio, about 20 miles east of the Dayton airport on I-70. You can see a travel map, the site location, and other travel information by clicking on the "[Travel and site information](#)" link on the Splash website menu at www.solarsplash.com.

Rules for 2026

The Rules are posted [on the website](#) as a PDF file and in a booklet-printable PDF form as well. There are no major changes from the 2025 Rules. Returning teams as well as rookie teams are responsible for reading and following the Rules carefully. If your team has any questions regarding the Rules, contact Headquarters by email at HQ@solarsplash.com.

Are You Preparing for 2026? Keep Us in the Know!

If you are planning to enter in 2026, send us an email now so we can get the contacts between us firmly in place and get your team listed on the webpage as a SOLAR SPLASH 2026 competitor. Don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

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Entry Form, the Early and the Regular Entry Fee, and Dates

The [Entry Form](#) for the competition is found on the website. The Entry Fee covers the opening night dinner, lunches Tuesday through Saturday for all participants, and an afternoon ice cream treat each day. The early fee is \$900 if you get your Entry Form in by Tuesday, **January 20, 2026**, and pay no later than February 28, 2026. Entry forms received after January 20, 2026, will pay the full \$1200 entry fee, which is due when the entry form is submitted, and must be received no later than April 15, 2026. Entering the competition by submitting the Entry Form is a commitment to pay the entry fee and participate in the event.

Recruit a New Team – Get an Entry Fee Discount

To encourage additional rivalry, we are offering a 50% discount (that's a \$450 savings!) on your team's entry fee if your team recruits a new team to compete in SOLAR SPLASH 2026. A "new team" is one that has not competed in SOLAR SPLASH in the previous five years. Both teams must sign up by the Early Entry deadline, and you must contact Headquarters and let us know what team you recruited. If we can be of any help, please let us know!

Top Five 2025 Technical Reports Available

The top 5 Technical Reports from the 2025 Splash are available for downloading by going to the "[Technical Reports](#)" page on the Splash website menu. Reading these reports and seeing the boats and equipment provides a wealth of technical information, plus they demonstrate how to structure a highly rated report!

Major Dates/Deadlines for This Year:

- Tuesday, January 20, 2026: Last date for "Early Registration" (getting the Entry Form in!) at the lower \$900 Entry Fee. After this date the Entry Fee is \$1200.
- Saturday, February 28, 2026: Early Registration \$900 Entry Fees due.
- Wednesday, April 15, 2026: Last date for receipt of the Entry Form to register for SOLAR SPLASH 2026, and last day to pay the \$1200 Entry Fee.
- Monday, April 27, 2026: Last date to submit the Technical Report without a points penalty.
- Tuesday, May 26, 2026: Video presentation submissions due by 5 pm Eastern Time.
- Tuesday, June 2, 2026: First day of the Competition. Registration opens at 8:00 am, and all teams must be on-site and registered by noon.
- Wednesday, June 3, 2026: Innovation Award submissions due, noon Eastern Time.