



2014 MARTIN 242
North American Championships
Thursday through Sunday, August 14-17, 2014
Marina del Rey, California USA



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

GENERAL INFORMATION

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

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1. RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The "class rules" for the purposes of the definition of "rules" are the [International Martin 242 Class Association Rules](#) ("IMCAR") including the Fleet 3 Variances.
- 1.3 Rule 63.7 will be replaced with: "If there is any conflict between a rule in the Notice of Race and one in the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall apply."
- 1.4 Competitors must submit the standard CYC Entry Form, available at Regatta Network or at CYC.
- 1.5 The prescriptions of US Sailing will not apply except the US Sailing Prescriptions to rules 61.4, 67, 76.1, and Appendix T, Section A, which are stated in full below
 - 1.5.1 Rule 61.4 – Fees for Protests and Requests for Redress – US Sailing prescribes that no fees shall be charged for protests or requests for redress.
 - 1.5.2 Rule 67 – Damages – US Sailing prescribes that:
 - a) A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for damages.
 - b) A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US Sailing Appeals authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.
 - c) A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by the rules, a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of "assumption of risk" for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats.
 - 1.5.3 Rule 76.1 – Exclusion of Boats or Competitors – US Sailing prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the Notice Of Race and Sailing Instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason, or for the reason of race, color, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age.
 - 1.5.4 Appendix T Section A Penalties while Racing – US Sailing prescribes that the first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty."

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the patio windows of the Gallery Room located on the southeast side of the lower level of the CYC clubhouse (Official Notice Board). All notices regarding protests or requests for redress will be posted on the Protest Notice Board, located adjacent to the official notice board (see **SI 16.2** and **16.3**).

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted no later than 1000 hours on the day it will take effect. If more than one (1) amendment has been made the Race Committee (RC) will display Code Flag "L" over a numeral pennant (2, 3, 4, etc.) indicating the number of the latest amendment.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole on the CYC front lawn.
- 4.2 When the Answering Pennant (AP) is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced by "not less than sixty (60) minutes" in the Race Signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Sunday, August 10		Early entry deadline
Thursday, August 14	0930 – 1330 hrs 1400 hrs 1500-1800 1600 – 1800 hrs	Check-in & crew weigh-in Classroom Starting Clinic by Erik Champain of Ullman Sails On the water practice, including starting multiple practice starts Check-in & crew weigh-in
Friday, August 15	0830 – 0930 hrs 1100 hrs 1230 hrs	Crew weigh-in Deadline for boats to be in the water Warning Signal for 1 st race of the day – Subsequent races to start ASAP
Saturday, August 16	1230 hrs	Warning Signal for 1 st race of the day – Subsequent races to start ASAP
Sunday, August 17	1230 hrs After racing	Warning Signal for 1 st race of the day – Subsequent race(s) to start ASAP Awards presentation

5.1 Eight (8) races are scheduled: three (3) races on Friday, three (3) races on Saturday and two (2) races on Sunday. The Race Committee (RC) reserves the right to run more races on Saturday or Sunday if fewer than the scheduled number of races are completed on Friday or Saturday. The RC, at its discretion, may run fewer total races.

5.2 The Warning Signal for the first start on each day is 1230. Subsequent races will start as soon as practicable after the finish of the prior race.

5.3 Code Flag "A" displayed, with no sound, while boats are finishing means "No more racing today".

6. CLASSES / CLASS FLAGS

The class flag will be a white flag with the red Martin 242 insignia.

7. BOW NUMBERS

Bow numbers will be assigned to each boat at registration, shall be applied in accordance with the instructions supplied with the numbers and must be displayed from the Warning Signal of the first race until the end of the last race of the regatta.

8. RACE AREAS

Racing will be on Santa Monica Bay. The starting area will be located approximately one (1) nautical mile northwest of the Marina del Rey breakwater.

9. MARKS

Marks are described in Attachment A.

10. COURSES

Courses are described in Attachment A.

11. ON-THE-WATER CHECK-IN

Prior to the Warning Signal for the first start each day, each boat shall sail on a starboard tack past the stern of the RC signal boat displaying Code Flag "L" hail her sail number and be recognized by the RC. Boats failing to check-in properly may be given a twenty percent (20%) scoring penalty for the first race of the day, assessed without a hearing. This changes rules 63.1, A4.1 and A5.

12. THE START (See Attachment A diagram)

12.1 The starting line will be between Mark **S** at its port end and the staff of an orange and white checked flag on the port side of the RC boat at its starboard end.

12.2 A boat that starts more than five (5) minutes after her Starting Signal will be scored DNS. This changes rules 63.1, A4.1 and A5.

12.3 Boats that are subject to rule 29.1 (Individual Recall) at their Starting Signal may be hailed by sail number or bow number on VHF (see **SI 23**). Failure of the RC to transmit, mistaken transmission, failure of a competitor to receive this information, timeliness or order of hail shall not be considered grounds for granting redress. This changes rule 62.

13. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the RC will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change of course a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with the original mark.

14. THE FINISH (See Attachment A diagram)

The finishing line will be between Mark **S** and the staff of an orange and white checked flag on the RC signal boat.

15. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 As stated in 1.5.4, the first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty."
- 15.2 Breaches of **SI 7, 11, and 22** shall not be subject to protests by boats. This changes rule 60.1.
- 15.3 If the Protest Committee (PC) so decides, the penalty for breaking **SI 19 or 20** may be less than disqualification, but not less than 20% of the number of boats entered as calculated per rule 44.3(c).

16. PROTESTS / REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Protests shall be filed at the CYC Front Desk no later than sixty (60) minutes after the RC boat has docked (Protest Time Limit), which time will be posted on the Official Notice Board. Protest forms will be available on the Sail Notice Board located next to the Fleet Room.
- 16.2 Rule 62.2 (Redress) is modified as follows: No later than fifteen (15) minutes after the RC signal boat docks, a notice of boats that have been scored OCS or have been penalized under rules 30.2, **SI 11** or **SI 12.3** for that day, will be posted on the Protest Notice Board. The deadline for a request for redress based on this list will be the Protest Time Limit for that day.
- 16.3 No later than fifteen (15) minutes after the Protest Time Limit, a notice of filed protests and requests for redress will be posted on the Protest Notice Board. This will constitute notice to all parties to a hearing under rule 63.2.
- 16.4 Protests and requests for redress will be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible.

17. ELIGIBILITY AND CREW CHANGES

- 17.1 During an IMCA sanctioned event, substitution of crew members or changing the number of crew members onboard a boat is not permitted during the event without written approval of the PC. See IMCA Rule 3.7.4.3.
- 17.2 In championship events recognized by IMCA, at least the helmsperson of each boat shall be a member in good standing of a recognized M242 fleet. See IMCA Rule 7. Any helmsman who is not currently a member of a recognized M242 fleet shall be charged a \$25 fee, payable by check at registration to M242 Fleet 3.
- 17.3 Substitute crew shall be weighed during the Crew Weigh-In hours specified in **SI 5** or from 0830 – 0930 hours on the first day that they will compete.

18. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 18.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected and re-measured at any time during the regatta for compliance with the Class Rules and the Sailing Instructions, as directed by the RC.
- 18.2 Based on the results as of 2000 hours on Saturday, August 16, 2014, the boats that are in first through third place overall shall be weighed at the CYC hoist between 0900 and 1000 hours on Sunday, August 17, 2014.

19. BERTHING / HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 19.1 All boats must be launched by 1100 hours on Friday, August 15, 2014. Boats shall not be hauled-out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the PC.
- 19.2 All boats shall be moored at CYC after racing on Friday and Saturday.

20. OTHER PROHIBITED ACTIONS

Plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats.

21. SCORING

- 21.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply, with the following modification: when fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores; when six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 21.2 Three (3) races must be completed to constitute the championship.

22. SAFETY REGULATIONS

A boat that retires from a race prior to finishing or does not intend to start a scheduled race shall notify the RC either before leaving the Race Area or as soon as possible after arriving ashore.

23. RADIO COMMUNICATION / SIGNALS MADE AFLOAT

- 23.1 The RC will use VHF Channel 68 for communication to broadcast information such as location of the RC signal boat, notification of upcoming starting sequences, the course to be sailed, the approximate distance and compass bearing to the first mark, and Individual Recalls as provided under **SI 12.3**. Failure of the RC to transmit, mistaken transmissions or failure of a competitor to receive this information shall not be considered grounds for granting redress. This changes rule 62.
- 23.2 In accordance with rule 90.2 (c), oral changes to the Sailing Instructions may be made on the water. A change is in effect when the RC signal boat displays Code Flag "L" over "V" with one sound signal. This means "come within hail" of the RC Signal Boat to receive oral changes to the Sailing Instructions. The RC may give oral changes to the Sailing Instructions to each boat by VHF and require acknowledgement.

24. PRIZES

- 24.1 The M242 North American Championship Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner.
- 24.2 Take home prizes for first through fifth place overall will be awarded.
- 24.3 Boat of the Day prizes will be awarded to the boat with the best score for each day's races. The best score is determined by the Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A, except that all race scores for that day will count.

25. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in this event entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. By participating in this 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 this event) from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

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ATTACHMENT A



SI 9 MARKS (continued)

Marks are as follows:

- a) Marks W1 and W2 will be yellow tetrahedrons.
- b) New marks, as provided in **SI 13**, will be orange.
- c) Mark W2 may not be set (put in the water) for all races
- d) Mark L will be an yellow tetrahedron(s)
- e) Mark S will be an orange tetrahedron
- f) Mark O will be a flag buoy

SI 10 COURSES (continued)

Courses are as follows:

- a) Marks W1, W2, O, and L shall be rounded to port
- b) Mark L may be replaced by a gate mark, see rule 28.2 (c)
- c) The course will be signaled by code flags, as shown below, no later than the Warning Signal.
- d) The distance and approximate magnetic bearing from Mark L to Mark W1 or W2 will be signaled by numeral placards, no later than the Warning Signal.
- e) The starting/finishing lines will be approximately 0.1 nautical mile to leeward of Mark L

Course Flag	Windward-Leeward Courses
D	Start – W1 – O – Finish
E	Start – W1 – O – L – W1 – O – Finish
F	Start – W1 – O – L – W1 – O – L – W1 – O – Finish
G	Start – W2 – O – Finish
H	Start – W2 – O – L – W2 – O – Finish
J	Start – W2 – O – L – W2 – O – L – W2 – O – Finish
K	Start – W2 – O – L – W1 – O – Finish

