



**2017 MARTIN 242**  
**North American Championships**  
Thursday through Sunday, August 31-September 3, 2017  
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 (RRS)*.
- 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 Each entrant must meet the eligibility, entry and fee requirements as outlined in the [Notice of Race \(amended 8/23/2017\)](#) for this regatta.
- 1.4 RRS 82 will not apply. Competitors must complete the CYC Race Entry Agreement through online registration at the [Martin 242 North America](#) webpage or submit a CYC Race Entry form.
- 1.5 The prescriptions of US Sailing will not apply except the US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 60.3 (this changes the NOR), 61.4, 67, 76.1, and Appendix V, Section V1, which are stated in full below:
  - 1.5.1 RRS 60.3 – US Sailing prescribes that rule 60.3(b) is changed to:
    - (b) request redress for a boat or call a hearing to consider redress;
  - 1.5.2 RRS 61.4 – Fees for Protests and Requests for Redress – US Sailing prescribes that no fees shall be charged for protests or requests for redress.
  - 1.5.3 RRS 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.
  - 1.5.4 RRS 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, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age.
  - 1.5.5 Appendix V, Section V1, Penalty at the Time of an Incident – The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'
- 1.6 Sailing Instruction breaches for which a discretionary penalty may be applied by the Protest Committee (PC) are designated by '[DP]' - Discretionary 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 in the atrium outside the Gallery Room on the clubhouse lower level

### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 1000 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

#### 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 RRS Race Signals.

#### 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 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, without the notification required by SI 3. The RC, at its discretion, may run fewer total races.
- 5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1230. Subsequent races will start as soon as practicable.
- 5.3 Code Flag "A" displayed, with no sound, while boats are finishing means "No more racing today".
- 5.4 No initial warning signal will be made after 1530 on Sunday.

#### 6. CLASS FLAG

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

#### 7. RACING AREA

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.

#### 8. MARKS

Marks are described in Attachment A.

#### 9. COURSES

Courses are described in Attachment A.

#### 10. THE START (See Attachment A diagram)

- 10.1 The starting line will be between the course side of Mark S at its port end and the staff of an orange and white checkered flag on the RC signal boat at its starboard end.
- 10.2 At least five (5) minutes before an initial warning signal, the orange and white checkered flag on the RC signal boat will be displayed to indicate the starting line is set.
- 10.3 To notify competitors of an upcoming starting sequence, an attention signal will be given approximately one (1) minute before the initial warning signal.
- 10.4 Boats that are subject to RRS 29.1 (Individual Recall) at their starting signal may be hailed by sail number or bow number on VHF as provided in SI 22.
- 10.5 A boat that starts more than five (5) minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes RRS 63.1, A4.1 and A5.

#### 11. 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.

#### 12. THE FINISH (See Attachment A diagram)

The finishing line will be between the staff of an orange and white checkered flag on the RC signal boat at its port end and the course side of Mark S at its starboard end.

#### 13. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 As stated in SI 1.5.5, US Sailing Prescription Appendix V, Section V1, Penalty at the Time of an Incident will apply.
- 13.2 Breaches of SI 16 and 17 shall not be subject to protests by boats. This changes RRS 60.1.

#### 14. PROTESTS / REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 Protests shall be filed with the Jury Secretary no later than forty-five (45) minutes after the RC signal boat docks (Protest Time Limit), which time will be posted on the Protest Notice Board no later than fifteen (15) minutes after the RC signal boat docks. Protest forms will be available from the Jury Secretary in the atrium outside the Gallery Room on the clubhouse lower level.
- 14.2 RRS 62.2 (Redress) is modified as follows:
  - 14.2.1 No later than fifteen (15) minutes after the RC signal boat docks, a notice of boats scored OCS, ZFP, UFD, BFD or penalized under SI 10.5 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.
  - 14.2.2 On the last scheduled day of racing, the deadline for a request for redress shall be the Protest Time Limit or thirty (30) minutes after the incident, whichever is later.
- 14.3 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 RRS 63.2.
- 14.4 Protests and requests for redress will be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible.

**15. SCORING**

- 15.1 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores; when five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 15.2 Three (3) races must be completed to constitute the championship.

**16. 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 Racing Area or as soon as possible after arriving ashore. [DP]

**17. 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. [DP]

**18. ELIGIBILITY AND REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

- 18.1 Per IMCAR 7, the helmsperson of each boat shall be a member in good standing of a recognized M242 fleet. Any helmsperson 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.
- 18.2 Per IMCAR 3.7.5.3, substitution of crew members or changing the number of crew members onboard a boat will not be allowed without prior written approval of the PRO. [DP]]
- 18.3 Substitute crew shall be weighed during the designated Crew Weigh-In period specified in NOR 9 or from 0830 – 0930 on the first day that they will compete.
- 18.4 Per IMCAR 3.7.3.5, substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the PRO. Requests for substitution shall be made to the PRO at the first reasonable opportunity. [DP]

**19. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

- 19.1 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.
- 19.2 Based on the results as of 2000 on Saturday, September 2, 2017, the boats that are in first through third place overall shall be weighed at the CYC hoist between 0900 and 1000 on Sunday, September 3, 2017.

**20. BERTHING / HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

- 20.1 All boats must be launched by 1100 on Friday, September 1, 2017. Boats shall not be hauled-out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the PC. [DP]
- 20.2 All boats shall be moored at CYC after racing on Friday and Saturday. [DP]

**21. PLASTIC POOLS**

Plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats at any time. [DP]

**22. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

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 10.4. Failure of the RC to broadcast, mistaken broadcasts,, order of broadcasts for Individual Recalls or failure of a competitor to receive this information shall not be considered grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

**23. PRIZES**

- 23.1 The M242 North American Championship Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner.
- 23.2 Take home prizes for first through fifth place overall will be awarded.
- 23.3 Boat of the Day prizes will be awarded to the boat with the best score for Friday's and Saturday'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 and no boat shall win boat of the day more than once in this regatta. This changes the NOR.

**24. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in this event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.

## ATTACHMENT A

### SI 8. MARKS (continued)

- 8.1 Marks 1 and 2s/2p will be yellow tetrahedrons.
- 8.2 New marks, as provided in SI 11, will be orange tetrahedrons.
- 8.3 Mark 1a (offset mark) will be an orange & white checkered flag buoy.
- 8.4 Mark S will be an orange tetrahedron.

### SI 9. COURSES (continued)

- 9.1 An offset mark (Mark 1a) will be used in conjunction with Mark 1. The offset mark will be placed at approximately a right angle to the weather leg.
- 9.2 Marks 1 and 1a shall be rounded to port.
- 9.3 Mark 2s/2p is a gate. In the event only one gate mark is on station that mark shall be rounded to port.
- 9.4 The starting/finishing line will be at least 0.1 nautical miles to leeward of Mark 2s/2p.
- 9.5 No later than the warning signal, the RC signal boat will display the approximate magnetic bearing and distance from Mark 2s/2p to Mark 1 with numeral placards.
- 9.6 No later than the warning signal, the RC signal boat will signal the course with numeral pennants as shown below:

Numeral Pennant	Course
4	Start - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - Finish
6	Start - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - Finish

