



Martin 242 North American Championship



Thursday – Sunday, July 6-9, 2023
Marina del Rey, California, USA

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Organizing Authority (OA) is California Yacht Club (CYC), located at 4469 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey, CA 90292
Phone: 310.823.4567 | Web: www.cal yachtclub.com
Event Chair: Sue Service at sservice@mednet.ucla.edu or 310.968.3993

1. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be posted before 0930 on the day it takes effect.

2. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board which is the [M242 North American Championship \(M242NA\)](#) webpage. Notices may also be posted on the outside windows of the Gallery Room, downstairs in the CYC clubhouse.
- 2.2 On the water, the Race Committee (RC) intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 68. Failure of the RC to broadcast, mistaken broadcasts, or failure of a competitor to receive this information are not grounds for a request for redress. This change is added to RRS 60.1(b).
- 2.3 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole located on the CYC front lawn. Signals displayed above a class flag pertain only to that class.
- 3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than sixty (60) minutes" in RRS Race Signals AP.

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1 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.
- 4.2 Competitors should note that the Star Class King of Spain Regatta will be held concurrently with the M242NA on Saturday July 8 and Sunday July 9.
- 4.3 The scheduled time of the first warning signal each day is 1230. Subsequent races will start as soon as practicable.
- 4.4 The RC may display flag A (with no sound) while boats are finishing to signal that there will be no more races conducted that day. On Saturday and Sunday, if flag A is displayed with a class flag, it pertains only to that class.

5. ORDER OF STARTS

Since the racing on Saturday and Sunday includes the Star class, the order of starts for the first race on those days will be published on the [M242NA](#) webpage as a Notice to Competitors.

6. CLASS FLAG

The class flag is a red M242 logo on a white background.

7. RACING AREA

The racing area is on Santa Monica Bay with the starting area approximately 1.2 nautical miles northwest of the Marina del Rey breakwater.

8. MARKS

Marks are described in SI Addendum A.

9. COURSES

Courses are described in SI Addendum A.

10. THE START

- 10.1 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, multiple sound signals may be made approximately one (1) minute before the warning signal for the first class. On Saturday and Sunday, there will be one (1) minute between any consecutive starting sequences, unless otherwise hailed by the RC as provided in SI 2.2.
- 10.2 The starting line is between the course side of Mark S and the staff displaying an orange and white checkered flag on the port side of the RC signal vessel (see Course Diagram on SI Addendum A).
- 10.3 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the RC will attempt to hail her sail number as provided in SI 2.2.
- 10.4 A boat that does not start within five (5) minutes after her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This change is added to RRS A5.1.

11. CHANGING 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 a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with the original mark.

12. THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finishing line is between Mark F and the staff displaying a blue flag on the starboard side of the RC signal vessel. (see Course Diagram on SI Addendum A).
- 12.2 Competitors should be aware that on Saturday & Sunday, the Star Class might be starting while they are finishing, and that RRS 23.1 prohibits boats not racing from interfering with boats that are racing.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

US Sailing Prescription Appendix V1 is in effect, as per NoR 1.8.

14. HEARING REQUESTS

- 14.1 The protest time limit each day is forty-five (45) minutes after the RC signal boat docks on that day. This time will be posted at the *Protest Time Limit and Hearing Schedule* link located on the [M242NA](#) webpage no later than fifteen (15) minutes after the RC signal boat docks.
- 14.2 RRS 62.2, Redress is modified as follows:
 - 14.2.1 The second sentence of RRS 62.2 is replaced with: "If the request is based on an incident in the racing area, it shall be filed within the protest time limit for that day."
 - 14.2.2 A notice of boats scored per RRS A5.1 each day will be posted at the *View Starting Penalties* link located on the [M242NA](#) webpage no later than fifteen (15) minutes after the RC signal boat docks on that day. The deadline for a request for redress based on these scores is the protest time limit for that day.
 - 14.2.3 The time limit for a request for redress based on a scoring inquiry (see SI 15.2) is 30 minutes after the results of the scoring inquiry have been posted.
- 14.3 Hearing request forms are available at the *File a Protest* link located on the [M242NA](#) webpage.
- 14.4 Notices to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties will be posted no later than fifteen (15) minutes after the protest time limit each day at the *Protest Time Limit and Hearing Schedule* link located on the [M242NA](#) webpage. Hearings will be heard as soon as possible in the Gallery Room on the lower level of the CYC clubhouse.

15. SCORING

- 15.1 Preliminary results will be posted on the [M242NA](#) webpage as soon as possible after racing each day.
- 15.2 Competitors shall notify the RC of any scoring errors using the *Submit Scoring Inquiry* link on the [M242NA](#) webpage. The deadline to file a scoring inquiry is the protest time limit or thirty (30) minutes after the preliminary results have been posted for that day, whichever is later.

16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1 Prior to the warning signal for the first start each day, when the RC signal boat is displaying Code Flag "L", each competitor shall sail past the stern of the RC signal boat, hail her sail number, and be recognized by the RC. Boats missing their first race may check in upon arrival at the Racing Area. Any boat failing to check-in properly may be given a twenty percent (20%) scoring penalty applied without a hearing to that boat's first valid race of the day. This change is added to RRS A5.1.
- 16.2 [DP] 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.

17. [DP] SUPPORT TEAMS

- 17.1 All SPVs shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on normal domestic and international channels and monitor VHF channel 68 at all times when on the water.
- 17.2 SPVs shall not enter the racing area from the preparatory signal of a race until the finish of the last boat in that race. However, SPVs may enter the racing area at the direction of the RC to assist a competitor or after a general recall, abandonment or postponement until a new preparatory signal has been made. The racing area shall be as indicated on SI Addendum A and include any other area within one hundred (100) meters of any boat still racing.
- 17.3 SPVs shall neither create wakes nor otherwise interfere with competitors.
- 17.4 SPVs and spectator boats shall not be launched or recovered at CYC while competitors are launching or recovering their boats and must check in with the CYC Dockmaster, [Chase Young](#) (310.823.4567) prior to using the hoist. Alternately, boats may use the public ramp at Dock 52 on Fiji Way and keep the trailers at CYC.

18. PRIZES

The awards ceremony will be held at CYC after racing on Sunday.

19. RISK STATEMENT

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. By participating in the 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 the event) from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in the event to the fullest extent permitted by law.



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SI ADDENDUM A

SI 8. MARKS (continued)

- 8.1 Mark 1 is an orange or yellow tetrahedron whose color is indicated during the starting sequence by an orange or yellow pennant displayed on the RC signal boat.
- 8.2 A new windward mark, as provided in SI 11, is the alternate color to the one signaled during the starting sequence.
- 8.3 Mark 1a (offset mark) is a small yellow tetrahedron with a black band. Mark 1a may or may not be in the water at the discretion of the PRO.
- 8.4 Mark 2s/2p are yellow tetrahedrons.
- 8.5 Marks S and F are orange tetrahedrons.

SI 9. COURSES (continued)

- 9.1 Mark 1 shall be rounded to port.
- 9.2 Mark 1a, if in the water, shall be rounded to port.
- 9.3 The angle between the leg from the starting line to Mark 1 and the leg from Mark 1 to Mark 1a is approximately 90°.
- 9.4 Mark 2s/2p is a gate. In the event only one gate mark is on station, that mark shall be rounded to port.
- 9.5 The starting and finishing lines are approximately 0.1 nautical mile to leeward of Mark 2s/2p.
- 9.6 No later than the warning signal for each class, the RC signal boat will use numeral placards to display the approximate magnetic bearing and distance from Mark 2s/2p to the first weather mark.
- 9.7 No later than the warning signal for each class, the RC signal vessel will use numeral pennants to signal one of the courses shown below:

Numeral Pennant	Courses
1	Start – 1 – 1a* – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a* – Finish
2	Start – 1 – 1a* – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a* – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a* – Finish

(*) Ignore if mark is not in the water.

