



Martin 242 North American Championship



July 10-12, 2026
Marina del Rey, California, USA

NOTICE OF RACE

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.calyachtclub.com
Event Chairs: Steve Moses and Marylyn Hoenemeyer | See NoR 17 for contact information

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in [The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2025-2028](#) (RRS).
- 1.2 The “class rules” for the purposes of the definition of “rules” are the [International Martin 242 Class Association Class Rules](#) (“IMCACR”) including Fleet 3 Local Variances.
- 1.3 IMCACR 3.6.8.5 is not in effect for this regatta for chartered boats. Such boats must declare all sail numbers on their Sail Declaration Form at check-in.
- 1.4 IMCACR Sails, 3.6.1: In the second sentence, delete “during any day’s racing” and replace with “during the event.”
- 1.5 IMCACR Weight and Measurement Requirements, 3.7.6: In the first sentence, delete “RRS Appendix L Sailing Instructions Guide, Item 20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT (or such equivalent future sections in the RRS)” and replace with “the 2026 Martin 242 North American Championship (M242NA) NoR 6.2 and 6.3.”
- 1.6 The prescriptions of US Sailing that will apply are stated in NoR Addendum A.
- 1.7 The Vakaros RaceSense system will be utilized by the Race Committee (RC). This changes RRS 41(c).
- 1.8 Each boat shall have a working Vakaros Atlas 2 or Edge, which shall be mounted within six (6) inches of the aft side of the mast at all times while racing. Each boat shall either provide a working Vakaros unit at check-in for configuration with RaceSense, or a unit will be available for rental to any boat that does not have one available. See NoR 17 for rental information.
- 1.9 RaceSense information is available to all boats. Distance to Line will only be available with an Atlas 2.
- 1.10 Failure of a Vakaros unit or the RaceSense system shall not be grounds for a request for redress by a boat or the Protest Committee. This changes RRS 61.1(a), 61.1(c), and 60.5(b).

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be posted by Wednesday, July 8 on the Official Notice Board.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The Official Notice Board is the [M242NA](#) webpage.
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on normal domestic and international channels.
- 3.3 On the water, the RC may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4 Individual recalls will be made by the Vakaros units on each boat. RC will NOT notify competitors who are OCS. If the Vakaros unit displays a red light after the starting signal, that competitor must sail back below the line until the unit light changes from red to green.
- 3.5 [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.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to Martin 242 (M242) Class boats.
- 4.2 Entries shall comply with [IMCACR 7, ELIGIBILITY](#). Any helmsperson who is not currently a member of a recognized M242 fleet may join M242 Fleet 3 for a \$25 fee, payable by check at registration to “M242 Fleet 3”.
- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing online registration at the [M242NA](#) webpage and paying the required fees by the entry deadline of 1800 on Wednesday, July 8.
- 4.4 Entries submitted after that time may be accepted at the discretion of the Event Chairs and are subject to a late fee of \$50.
- 4.5 A boat is considered an entry when registration per NoR 4.3, weigh-in per NoR 6.1, and inspection per NoR 8 are successfully completed.

5. FEES

The entry fee is \$225 USD for entries received with all fees paid by the early entry deadline of Wednesday, June 17. Thereafter, until the entry deadline, the entry fee is \$300.

6. CREW AND EQUIPMENT LIMITATIONS

- 6.1 IMCACR 3.7.5 and 3.7.5.1 (crew weight) are in effect. The total weight of the crew dressed in swimwear, t-shirts or shorts cannot exceed a total of 363kg (800 pounds). A completed Crew Weight Form (See Addendum B) shall be submitted at Check-In. In accordance with IMCACR 3.7.5.1, crews with a total weight in excess of 760 pounds must make an appointment with one of the Event Chairs (see NOR 17 for Contact Information) for a crew weigh-in.
- 6.2 [DP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the Protest Committee (PC) or RC.
- 6.3 [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized in writing by the PC or RC. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race. Exception: if the request is made on the water, the RC is authorized to allow the change, and that change shall be confirmed later in writing and posted on the Official Notice Board.

7. SCHEDULE

Wednesday, June 17		Early entry deadline
Wednesday, July 8	1800	Entry deadline
Thursday, July 9	1100 - 1200	Check-in and registration of Vakaros units (parking lot tent patio)
	1400	Multiple practice starts & practice race
	1700 – 1800	Check-in and registration of Vakaros units (parking lot tent patio)
Friday, July 10	0930 – 1030	Check-in and registration of Vakaros units (parking lot tent patio)
	1030	Competitors Briefing (parking lot tent patio)
	1100	Deadline for boats to be in the water
	1230	1st warning signal – subsequent races to start ASAP
Saturday, July 11	1230	1st warning signal – subsequent races (s) to start ASAP
Sunday, July 12	1230	1st warning signal – subsequent race(s) to start ASAP
	1530	No initial warning signal will be made after this time
	After racing	Awards presentation at CYC

Eight (8) races are scheduled: three (3) races on Friday, three (3) races on Saturday and two (2) races on Sunday. The 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. Competitors should note that the Star Class King of Spain Regatta will be held concurrently with the M242NA on July 11 and 12.

8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 All boats shall hold a 2026 measurement certificate by 1800 hours on Sunday June 28. We highly recommend that out of town boats obtain and arrive with a measurement certificate from their local fleet measurers. Contact Fleet 3 Captain Steve Moses (stevemoses@mac.com or 310.686.7583) or Measurer Tom O’Conor (tomoconor@roadrunner.com or 310.617.3629) prior to June 19 to schedule a measurement appointment.
- 8.2 [DP] A completed Sail Declaration Form (see Addendum C) shall be submitted at check-in.
- 8.3 Boats may be inspected and re-measured at any time during the event.

9. VENUE

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

10. COURSES

Courses are a windward / leeward format.

11. SCORING

- 11.1 Three (3) races must be completed to constitute the Martin 242 North American Championship.
- 11.2 (a) When four (4) or fewer races have been completed, a boat’s series score shall be the total of her race scores.
(b) When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat’s series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12. SUPPORT TEAMS

- 12.1 [DP] Competitors who wish to keep support person vessels (SPVs) at CYC must make prior arrangements with the CYC Waterfront Director for use of the hoist, trailer storage and in-the-water berthing. See NoR 17 for Waterfront Director contact information.
- 12.2 [DP] All SPVs shall carry and monitor a VHF radio capable of communicating on normal domestic and international channels.
- 12.3 The conduct of SPVs and support persons are governed by the SIs.

13. BERTHING / HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 13.1 All boats must be launched by 1100 hours on Friday, July 10. Boats shall not be hauled-out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the PC or RC.
- 13.2 All boats shall be moored at CYC after racing on Friday and Saturday. Moorings will be assigned by the Waterfront Director and provided at check-in.

14. OTHER PROHIBITED ACTIONS

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

15. RISK STATEMENT

Competitors in the event are participating 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.

16. PRIZES

- 16.1 The awards ceremony will be held at CYC after racing on Sunday.
- 16.2 The M242NA perpetual trophy will be awarded to the first-place winner. The trophy may be kept on display at the winner's club until the next M242NA. The first-place winner is responsible for returning the trophy to the host club of the next M242NA.
- 16.3 Take-home trophies will be awarded based on the number of entries.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

Event Chairs: Steve Moses at stevomoses@mac.com or 310.686.7583 and Marylyn Hoenemeyer at hoenemeyer@roadrunner.com or 310.617.3870.

Vakaros Rental: Competitors wishing to rent a RaceSense unit should contact [Vakaros](#) directly before June 24.

CYC Waterfront Director: Chase Young at chase.young@calyachtclub.com or 310.823.4567.

Hospitality: Competitors and their guests are invited to use the club facilities during the event. Entertainment and a complimentary buffet dinner are provided for all competitors after racing on Saturday, with additional dinner tickets available for purchase for \$25. Complimentary refreshments will be provided following racing on Friday and Sunday.

Boat Launching, Berthing & Storage: Competitors are invited to use the dry storage, hoists and assigned docks at CYC during the event, subject to applicable CYC guidelines and protocols. For information and arrangements regarding boat storage immediately preceding and following the event contact the CYC Waterfront Director.



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Addendum A

US Sailing Prescriptions that apply:

Add to RRS 65 LEGAL LIABILITY AND COSTS:

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 monetary damages.*
- (b) *A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US Sailing appeal authority shall adjudicate any claim for monetary 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 monetary 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.*

Add to 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 reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age. However, an organizing authority or race committee may exclude a competitor who is a citizen of, or holds a World Sailing ID as an MNA member of, a country listed on the US Sailing website under 'Exclusion' at ussailing.org/rules.

RRS APPENDIX V ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

Appendix 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.'

RRS APPENDIX R PROCEDURES FOR APPEALS AND REQUESTS

is replaced with RRS/US Appendix R. The text of RRS/US Appendix R can be found online at: (https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/US-Sailing-Prescriptions-for-2025-2028_FEB12_2025_1.pdf)



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Addendum B

CREW WEIGHT FORM

By submitting this form, I declare that my crew weight complies with Martin 242 Class Rule 3.7.5.

Boat Name: _____ Sail Number: _____

Skipper: _____

Signature: _____

Crew Name	Weight
Total	



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Addendum C

SAIL DECLARATION FORM

[DP] By submitting this form, I declare that my sails will be in conformance with Martin 242 Class Rules in Section 3.6, Sails as changed by the NoR for this event (see NoR 1.5). One spare for each sail type, if needed due to damage, must be declared here in order to be used.

Boat Name: _____ Sail Number: _____

Skipper: _____

Signature: _____

Define Sail Type in the following manner: Main, Jib or Spin (PLEASE PRINT)

Item #	Sail Mfg.	Sail Type	Sail Tag Number (or measurement date)
1			
2			
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