

Communiqué re Draft IMCA Keel Position Rule

In its continuing efforts to harmonize Fleet Rules and establish standards that apply to all Fleets, the International Martin 242 Class Association (“IMCA”) will be adopting a Keel Position Rule effective May 31, 2008, and is accordingly seeking comments from competitors prior to this date.

At present, the IMCA does not have a Keel Position Rule, such as what currently exists in the Fleet 1 & 2 Rules in Appendix B, last section.

IMCA has surveyed a large number of M242’s internationally, including new boats under construction, and established a Keel Position that encompasses all of them.

As such, the proposed Keel Position Rule (in metric and decimal feet per ERS guidelines) is:

“Keel Position: The keel shall be located so that the leading edge is 4470.4mm (14.6666 feet) +/- 25.4mm (.08333 feet) from the intersection of the transom and the hull surfaces measured along the hull surface at the centerline.”

This proposed measurement is equivalent to 176” +/- 1”, as compared to the current Fleet 1 & 2 Keel Position of 175 5/8” +/- 1”.

Competitors may provide their comments to: craigs@m242.bc.ca