



SUMMER SATURDAY SERIES 2014

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1.0 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

1.1 The Organizing Authority is the Hebe Haven Yacht Club.

2.0 RULES

2.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013-16.

2.2 The prescriptions of the Hong Kong Sailing Federation will apply, together with;

- The IRC Rules Parts A, B and C, except that IRC Rule 22.4 shall not apply. There will be no limitations on Crew number or weight except as required for boats rated as one-design, which shall comply with IRC Rule 22.4.1;
- The HKPN handicap system, as administered by the HKSF and the HKPN Committee;
- ISAF Special Offshore Regulations Category 5;
- Class Rules where they apply;
- Hebe Haven Yacht Club Standard Sailing Instructions (May 2013);
- The 2014 Summer Saturday Series Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions.

Succeeding items in the above list will take precedence.

The Race Committee reserves the right to modify these Sailing Instructions. Any modification will be notified to Race Competitors.

3.0 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Race number	Date	Course Type
1 and 2	14 th June	Geometric
3 and 4	28 th June	Geometric
5	12 th July	Island – short course (Dragons Geometric)
6 and 7	26 th July	Geometric
8 and 9	9 th August	Geometric



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- 3.1 Race 5 of the series is an Island Course, maximum length 10 miles, approximately. As well as constituting a race in the series, this race will also constitute an single entity in its own right. Labelled the “**The Short Course Dash**” prizes for this race will be awarded in all divisions subject to the 3 boat rule. As Dragons do not meet the safety requirements for such a race they will have a single geometric course for race 5.
- 3.2 If the weather conditions are such that an island course (Race 5) is deemed unsuitable the Race Committee reserves the right to switch the “Short Course Dash” race with races 6 and 7 of the series. A decision to this effect shall be made no later than 12.00 noon on the 12th July and shall be posted on the club website and notice board.
- 3.3 In the event that the later date is also deemed unsuitable for an island race the RO on the day may switch the format to one of the geometric courses listed in the SSIs. Such a decision shall be notified to boats on the water by the appropriate course flags and may be announced on channel 72.

4.0 CLASSES AND DIVISIONS

- 4.1 Subject to entries, racing will be held in the following classes:

Class/ Division	Rating System	Flag	Proposed Starting Sequence
IRC	IRC	E	1
Sportsboat	SMS	O	1
HKPN	HKPN	T	2
Dragon	OD	D	3

- 4.2 The Race Committee, upon receipt of entries, may decide to change division splits. In such an event, Division splits will be finalised not later than noon 13th June 2014 and a notice will be posted on the notice board at HHYC and on the Club’s website.
- 4.3 Yachts in the HKPN class may elect not to use a spinnaker in a particular race by informing the Committee Boat before the Warning Signal of that race. Yachts so electing will be given a 1.5% spinnaker allowance on their HKPN. No such allowance will be made for any other Class.

5.0 THE COURSES

- 5.1 The courses for all races are listed in Appendix A of the HHYC Standard Sailing Instructions (2013)
- 5.2 For Courses B1 – B5, all boats will use Windward Mark A1 except HKPN, Dragon Class will use Windward Mark A2, if laid.



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6.0 THE START

- 6.1 The Start will be in the general vicinity of Shelter Island, which may be extended to the outside of Table Island at the discretion of the Race Officer.
- 6.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will start soon, an Orange Flag may be displayed (with one sound signal) for at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.
- 6.3 The schedule time of the warning signal for the first race each day is **14.25** hrs. The warning signal for each succeeding class shall be made with the starting signal of the preceding class.
- 6.4 The Race Officer may change the starting sequence. Competitors are reminded to check the flags on the Committee Boat during the starting sequence.

7.0 FINISHING

- 7.1 In terms of Clause 9.3.1 of The Standard sailing Instructions, the **second** boat in each class to finish shall be the "Qualifying Boat".

8.0 DISCARDS

- 8.1 Discards will be used dependant on the number of races completed for that class/division.
8-9 races completed– 2 discards
6-7 races completed – 1 discard
Less than 6 races completed – 0 discards
This changes Appendix A2 of the RRS
- 8.2 Three races shall constitute a series

9.0 PRIZES

- 9.1 There will be prize giving at HHYC based on provisional results following each day's racing.
Overall series prizes will be awarded after racing on **Saturday 9th August**.
- 9.2 As well as overall series prizes, trophies will be awarded to the winning boats in each division for the "Short Course Dash" race. These prizes will be presented at the final prize day for the series.
- 9.3 In recognition of the tremendous contribution made to sailing in Hong Kong by Mr. Vic Locke, the trophy being awarded to the winning HKPN boat, on handicap, in the "Short Course Dash" race shall be the Vic Locke Memorial Trophy.

10.0 TRASH DISPOSAL

- 10.1 When setting a sail the discarding of elastic or wool bands is permitted. This modifies Rule 55 of the RRS.



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