



HEBE HAVEN **SLAM** OPEN DINGHY REGATTA

SATURDAY 30th – SUNDAY 31st of MAY 2015

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* 2013 – 2016 (“RRS”)
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the Hong Kong Sailing Federation will apply.
- 1.3 The Hebe Haven Standard Sailing Instructions (May 2013-2016)
- 1.4 The Hebe Haven **SLAM** Open Regatta Notice of Race and this Sailing Instructions.
- 1.5 Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) in good serviceable condition must be worn at all times whilst on the water.
- 1.6 Succeeding items in above list will take precedence.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted in the Garden Bar next to the registration table at Hebe Haven Yacht Club.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0900 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 at HHYC.
- 4.2 When the AP flag is displayed ashore, ‘Not less than 60 minutes’ is replaced with ‘not less than 30 minutes’.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Dates of racing:

Date	Race No.	Time of Warning Signal
Saturday 30 th May 2015	Race 1	1130 hrs
	Next race	As soon as possible after completion of the previous race
Sunday 31 st May 2015	1 st Race of the day	1055 hrs warning signal
	Next race	As soon as possible after completion of the previous race





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- 5.2** Six races are scheduled for the regatta. Each day is nominally scheduled to have three races, though the Race Officer may hold a larger or smaller number of races on any day at their discretion.
- 5.3** When more than one race will be held on the same day, the warning signal for the second race and each successive race will be made as soon as possible after the completion of the previous race.

6. BRIEFING

- 6.1** There will be a briefing on the hard standing at 11:00 on the first day and 10:00 on last day of the regatta.

7. CLASS FLAG

Class flags will be:

CLASS	FLAG
LASER PICO	T
OPTIMIST	O
LASER (LASER 4.7, RADIAL, STANDARD)	L
A -- FAST DIVISION	F
B -- SLOW DIVISION	B
ACCESS 303	A
2.4Mr	M

Division A : Fast division for boats PYS of 1109 or less excluding the LASER CLASS.

Division B : Slow division for boats PYS of 1110 or greater excluding the OPTIMIST CLASS

8. RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the vicinity of Port Shelter and may extend outside of Shelter Island if the Race Officer so wishes due to weather conditions. The race area for the first race of each day will be identified at the briefing for that day, if possible.

9. THE COURSES

All marks are to be rounded to port. Competitors DO NOT have to pass between the ODM/Committee Boat gate on each windward leg.

10. SHORTENED COURSE

A course may be shortened at any mark by the Race Committee by hoisting the S flag and the division flag and sounding two sound signals as the first boat from that division approaches the finish line. This is in accordance with RRS 32.2.





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11. MARKS

Racing marks will be as described in Appendix A or other coloured inflatable buoys identified on the notice board at the start of each race day.

12. THE START

12.1 Races will be started by using Rule 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.

The warning signal for each succeeding class will be given with the starting signal of the preceding class.

12.2 The starting line will be a line between a mast displaying an orange flag on the committee boat and the ODM. The committee boat will fly a blue flag when on station.

12.3 An inner distance mark may be laid, in which case boats shall start by passing between the inner distance mark and the Outer Distance mark in the direction of the first mark of the course.

12.4 A boat starting later than 2 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.

12.5 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal for a race will be displayed after 3.30 p.m.

13. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a mast displaying an orange flag from a boat which may or may not be the committee boat used at the start and the Outer Distance Mark or any mark of the course if race is shortened. Boats finishing must pass between those specified marks. The committee boat will display a blue flag or shape when on station.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

The Two Turns Penalty will apply.

15. TIME LIMITS

15.1 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish will be 60 minutes.

15.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish unless the Race Office finishes them on the water as set out in paragraph 15.3 below. This changes RRS 35 and A4 and A5.

15.3. When more than half the boats have finished the Race Office may finish the balance of the boats at the last mark, or on the course. The method of finishing and the finish positions awarded each boat thereby will be determined by the Race Officer on behalf of the race





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Committee. This changes RRS 28.

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

16.1 Protest forms are available from the sailing Centre at HHYC. Protests shall be delivered back to the Sailing Centre by hand or fax within the protest time limit.

Fax number for protest forms delivered by fax: 2358 1017.

16.2 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The same time limit applies to protests by the Race Committee and protest committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress.

This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.

16.3 The Race Officer must be advised on the water of any protest made during racing prior to the start of the next race, or within 30 minutes of completion of the last race of the day.

16.4 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at HHYC in the Meeting Room.

16.5 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

16.6 On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:

(a) Within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;

(b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes rule 66.

17. SCORING

17.1 The Low Points scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply.

17.2 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

17.3 A boat's score will be the total of her race scores. There shall be no discard except that when 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's score shall be the total of her races scored excluding her worst score. This changes RRS Appendix A2

17.4 Handicap:

Racing will be held under RYA PY handicap.





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18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1** All boats stored at the Hebe Haven Yacht Club throughout the regatta must sign on / sign off the water when launching and on return to shore from racing. However, sailors will be allowed to launch and return non-Hebe Haven Yacht Club boats from and to other locations, provided that they inform the Race Committee of their attendance on a daily basis.
- 18.2** Boats stored at locations other than Hebe Haven Yacht Club must 'sign on' upon entry to the racing area at the start of each day and 'sign off' after their last race.
- 18.3** In the event a boat retires during the day's racing and returns to shore, sailors must advise the Race Officer accordingly, as soon as possible, see also paragraph 19 below.
- 18.4** All competitors are required to wear a suitable buoyancy aid at all times whilst on the water, regardless of the weather conditions. Failure to do so will result in the boat being scored DNC for all races where there has been a breach of this sailing instruction.

This changes rule 60.2.

19. RETIREMENT

- 19.1** A boat that retires from any race must inform the Race Officer or a safety boat as soon as possible. *See also 18.3 above.*
- 19.2** No boat, whether racing or not, shall leave the vicinity of the racing area unless given permission to do so by the Race Officer. In particular no boat is allowed to return from the race area to HHYC unless specifically given permission to do so by the Race Officer.
- 19.3** Any boat which is not racing, but which is required to remain in the vicinity of the race area shall proceed to, and remain in, the vicinity of the committee boat and shall at all times keep clear of the race course and any boat that is racing or preparing to start.

20. REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT

Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the Race Officer. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Race Officer at the first opportunity.

21. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and Sailing Instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed to proceed immediately to an area designated for inspection.





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22. SUPPORT BOATS

- 22.1** Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall, from the first warning signal for a race until all boats in that race have finished, remain at least 100m outside the area the entire course and/or at least 100m from any boat which is racing, unless carrying out rescue duties at the request of the Race Officer.
- 22.2** Any competitors who are deemed by the Race Officer to have received any outside assistance will be penalized as per the Standard Racing Rules 2013 – 2016.

23. PRIZES

- 23.1** Prizes will be given as follows for classes with 3 or more entries:
1st, 2nd, 3rd for each class.

24. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority does not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

25. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a racing cover considered adequate for the risks involved. Insurance may be called for inspection at registration or at any time during the event and any competitor not found to have such insurance may be barred from this regatta.





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APPENDIX A - Courses

- A
- ◆ A1
- B
- C

ODM □-----start----- • Committee Boat
& finish

- ◆ D1
- D

Courses:

Course No	Courses
1	Start – A – D – A – B – C – D - finish
2	Start – A1 – D1 – A1 – B – C – D1 - finish
3	Start – A – B – C – B – C – D - finish
4	Start – A1 – B – C – B – C – D1 - finish
5	Start – A – D – A – D - finish
6	Start – A1 – D1 – A1 – D1 - finish
7	Start – A – D - finish
8	Start – A1 – D1 - finish

APPENDIX A

Notes:

- 1: Boats do not have to pass through the ODM – Committee Boat gate on each windward leg when sailing between marks D - A and D1 - A1.
- 2: Marks - A - B- C- D to be large yellow inflatable cylindrical buoys.
- 3: Outer Distance Mark to be a inflatable SLAM cylindrical buoy.
- 4: Marks A1 and D1 to be small orange inflatable spherical buoys.

