



## Sails East Port Shelter Regatta

### NOTICE OF RACE

**Hebe Haven Yacht Club is pleased to once again present the Sails East Port Shelter Regatta, an intriguing two-day mix of challenging geometric courses and a race around the picturesque islands of eastern Hong Kong.**

**The Club invites all sailors to join the Regatta.**

#### 1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

1.1 The Organizing Authority is the Hebe Haven Yacht Club.

#### 2. 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 2015 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;
- The Rules of the SMS system for the Sports-boats class;
- Class Rules where they apply;
- Hebe Haven Yacht Club Standard Sailing Instructions of May 2013 (HHYC SSIs);
- This Notice of Race and the Sails East Port Shelter Regatta 2015 Sailing Instructions.

Succeeding items in the above list will take precedence.

The Race Committee reserves the right to modify this Notice of Race. Competitors will be notified of any modifications.

#### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The Event is open to:

- All monohull boats of the Big Boat Class holding a valid (June 2015) IRC rating
- All boats of the Big Boat Class holding a valid HKPN rating
- Sportsboats holding a valid SMS rating
- One-design, J80
- One Design, Dragon

3.2 Depending on the number of entries, proposed division splits for IRC and HKPN shall be published in the Sails East Port Shelter Regatta 2015 Sailing Instructions.

3.3 Should there be insufficient entries to form a class, the Race Committee may incorporate one-design boats into other divisions where possible.

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### 4. FEES

The race fee shall be \$500 per boat.

### 5. SCHEDULE

5.1 As far as is practicable, the Regatta shall comprise three races:

Date	Race / course	Warning signal for the first start of each day shall be displayed at:
Saturday, 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2015	Races 1 & 2 – Geometric Courses for all classes	14:25 hours
Sunday, 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2015	Race 3 - Geometric Course for Dragons Race 3 - Island Course(s) for all other classes	11:55 hours

5.2 A race that has been cancelled or abandoned on the Saturday may be re-run on the Sunday.

5.3 Two races shall constitute the Regatta.

5.4 The proposed starting sequence for all Classes / Divisions will be included in the Sailing Instructions or will be posted on the notice board at HHYC and the Club's website **before 12:00 noon on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2015.**

5.5 Race 2 shall be started as soon as possible after all boats in each class have finished or are deemed to have retired from the previous race.

5.6 Note that for Race 3, the Dragon's start may be delayed until a geometric course is laid after the start of the other classes.

### 6. VENUE

6.1 All races will start in the general vicinity of Shelter Island (which may extend to the outside of Table Island, if wind conditions so demand).

### 7. COURSES

7.1 The courses for all races are provided in the HHYC SSIs (May 2013) and Appendix 1 of the Sails East Port Shelter Regatta 2015 Sailing Instructions.

### 8. PRIZES

8.1 There will be prize giving at HHYC based on provisional results following each day's racing.

8.2 Overall Regatta prizes will be awarded after racing on Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> September 2015.

### 9. ENTRY

9.1 Entries should be made online at [www.hhyc.org.hk](http://www.hhyc.org.hk) by 12:00 noon on Thursday 3rd September 2015.

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### 10. SAFETY REGULATIONS

10.1 All boats must comply with ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Appendix J, Category 5. The Sportsboat class has dispensation for Clause 3.23.5 (e) of Part B of these Regulations. The Race Committee accepts no liability resulting from this dispensation and reminds competitors of their responsibility under Clauses M&Q, Part I, of the HHYC SSIs(May 2013).

10.2 Dragons and One-Design boats shall comply with class safety rules.

### 11. MEASUREMENTS

11.1 IRC and SMS classes are requested to submit a copy of their current certificate(s) to the HHYC Sailing Office or by email to: [sailing@hhyc.org.hk](mailto:sailing@hhyc.org.hk) no later than 12:00 noon Thursday, 3rd September 2015.

### 12. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

12.1 The sailing instructions will be available by 12:00 noon on Thursday, 27th August 2015 on the Club website and in the Main Bar of Hebe Haven Yacht Club.

### 13. SCORING

13.1 The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A4 will apply.

13.2 There shall be no discards in the Regatta. This changes Appendix A2 of the RRS.

### 14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

14.1 The attention of the person in charge, owner and skipper is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone" and to Special Regulation 1.02 (first point) which begins "The safety of a yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Person-in-charge..."

### 15. INSURANCE

15.1 All boats shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum of HK\$1,000,000.

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### General Information & Social:

- A. The Sails East Port Shelter Regatta official party will be from 6pm onwards on Saturday the 5<sup>th</sup> of September at the Hebe Haven Yacht Club. Racers' friends and families are welcome to join.
  - B. Some overnight moorings and pontoon spaces may be available, subject to availability and by prior arrangement, for visiting boats participating in the Regatta. Interested competitors should contact the Marine Office on 2719 3673 for further information and to arrange.
  - C. Sunday Roast Buffet Dinner is served from 1800 hours in the Main Restaurant at HHYC on Sunday race days. Takeaway food, drinks and ice will also be available.
  - D. Visiting members of ABC and RHKYC may reserve tables and sign chits on race days to be charged to their home club accounts. Visitors should advise staff of their membership details before placing orders. Our staff may request to see the membership card of any visitor prior to accepting an order. We accept payment by Octopus from competitors who are not members of the Hebe Haven Yacht Club, or via cash coupons which will be available for purchase in the Main Bar.
- Please note – there is no facility to re-charge Octopus card value at HHYC.
- E. Hebe Haven Yacht Club has organized an additional sampan service to ferry RHKYC and HHYC Members, and their guests, to Shelter Cove, where they can then board the Shelter Cove Sampan to go to their boats. Details about this service will be posted on the club website and race notice board in the upstairs bar.

### Useful Telephone Numbers & Contacts:

**Office:**

Tel: 2719 9682

Fax: 2358 1017

**Bar:**

Tel: 2719 8300

**Marine:**

Tel: 2719 3673

**Sampan Service:**

Tel: 9272 6204 or 9272 6205

**Committee Boat:**

Tel: 9126 3805

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