

SIN FUNG WINTER SATURDAY SERIES 2015

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

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

1.2 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;
- The Rules of the SMS system for the Sportsboat class;
- Class Rules where they apply;
- The Hebe Haven Yacht Club Standard Sailing Instructions of May 2013 (HHYC SSI);
- The Sin Fung Winter Saturday Series 2015 Notice of Race and,
- These Sin Fung Winter Saturday Series 2015 Sailing Instructions.

Succeeding items in the above list will take precedence.

2. SCHEDULE OF RACES, CLASS /DIVISION SPLITS, FLAGS AND STARTING SEQUENCE

2.1 Schedule

| Race | Course Type | Date |
|-------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 & 2 | Geometric | 7 th November 2015 |
| 3 & 4 | Geometric | 21 st November 2015 |
| 5 | Island (except Dragons) | 5 th December 2015 |
| 5 | Geometric (Dragons) | 5 th December 2015 |
| 6 & 7 | Geometric | 19 th December 2015 |

2.2 Races 2, 4, 7, and any re-sail race(s) 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.

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2.3 Subject to entries, racing will be held in the following Classes:

| Class / Division | Rating System | Flag | Proposed Starting Sequence | Proposed Start Time |
|------------------|---------------|------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| IRC | IRC | U | 1 | 14:30 |
| Sportsboat | SMS | V | 1 | 14:30 |
| HKPN | HKPN | O | 2 | 14:35 |
| J80 | OD | J | 2 | 14:35 |
| Dragon | OD | D | 3 | 14:40 |

The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of each day is 14.25 hrs. The warning signal for each succeeding class shall be made with the starting signal of the preceding class.

2.4 The Race Officer may change the starting sequence. Competitors are reminded to check the flags on the Committee Boat during the starting sequence.

2.5 The Race Committee, upon receipt of entries, may decide to implement division splits. In such an event, division splits will be finalised not later than noon Thursday 5th November 2015 and a notice will be posted on the notice board at HHYC and on the Club's website.

2.6 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.

3. THE COURSES

3.1 The courses for all Races are provided in the HHYC SSIs and Appendix 1 of these Sailing Instructions.

3.2 Courses B1-B9 require boats to pass through the start/finish line on every upwind leg of each lap from mark C, C1 or C2. There is no such requirement for the downwind leg from A, A1 or A2.

3.3 For Courses B1 - B5 The IRC and Sportsboat divisions shall use mark A1; all other divisions shall use mark A2.

4. THE START

4.1 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.

4.2 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.

5. FINISHING

5.1 As per Clause 9.3.1 of the HHYC SSI's, the third boat in each class to finish shall be the "Qualifying Boat" in all geometric races.

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6. DISCARDS

6.1 Discards will be dependent on the number of races completed for that class/division as follows:

6-7 races completed – 1 discard

Less than 6 races completed - 0 discards

This changes Appendix A2 of the RRS.

6.2 Four races shall constitute a series.

7. PRIZES

7.1 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 19th December 2015**.

8. SAFETY REGULATIONS

8.1 All boats must comply with ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Appendix J, Category 5. The Sportsboat and J80 classes have 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 Hebe Haven Standard Sailing Instructions (May 2013).

9. MEASUREMENTS

9.1 The IRC and SMS classes are required to submit a copy of their current certificate(s) to the Sailing Office or by email to: sailing@hhyc.org.hk no later than 12:00 Thursday 5th November 2015.

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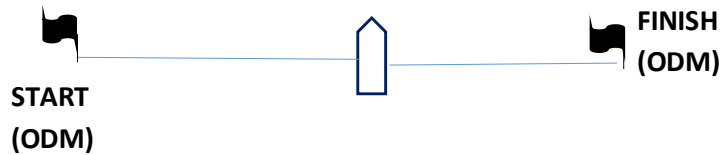
Appendix 1 – Courses

Offset (If laid) ○ ● A1

Offset (If laid) ○ ● A2

● B

● C



C – Course Notes

Marks

- A1 and A2 Generally set as windward marks
- B Generally set as a gybing mark
- C Generally set as a leeward mark
- Offset If laid, set as an offset from mark A1 and/or A2
- ODM Outer distance Mark
- IDM Inner distance Mark May be laid if the race committee deem appropriate

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Notes

- (1) Marks A1 / A2 will be laid before the starting signal.
- (2) Mark B (if applicable) may be laid after the starting signal but shall be laid before the leading yacht rounds the previous mark.
- (3) Mark C may be laid after the starting signal but shall be laid before the leading yacht rounds the previous mark.
- (4) Mark C is not a mark of the course for the first leg of a race.
- (5) An offset mark may be laid. If laid it shall be approximately 50m to port of Mark A. If laid it shall rank as a mark of the course and shall be rounded after rounding mark A.
- (6) Mark A1 will be an orange cylindrical buoy and Mark A2 will be a black buoy.
- (7) All marks shall be rounded to Port.

The IRC and Sportsboat divisions shall use mark A1; all other divisions shall use mark A2.

| Course Number | Course |
|---------------|--|
| C 1 | Round 1: Start – A1/A2-B-C Round 2: A1/A2 - C Round 3: A1/A2- B - finish |
| C 2 | Round 1: Start – A1/A2-B-C Round 2: A1/A2 - finish |
| C3 | Round 1: Start A1/A2 – B - C Round 2: A1/A2 - C Round 3: A1/A2 - finish |
| C4 | Round 1: A1/A2 – C Round 2: A1/A2 – finish |
| C5 | Round 1: A1/A2 – C Round 2: A1/A2 - C Round 3: A1/A2 - Finish |