



SIN FUNG WINTER SATURDAY SERIES 2016

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;
 - World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Appendix B, Special Regulations for inshore racing;
 - Hebe Haven Yacht Club Standard Sailing Instructions of May 2013, (HHYC SSI);
 - The Sin Fung Winter Saturday Series 2016 Notice of Race and these 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	29 th October 2016
3 & 4	Geometric	19 th November 2016
5	Island (except Dragons)	3 rd December 2016
6 & 7	Geometric	17 th December 2016

- 2.2 Races 2, 4, 7, and any re-sail race(s) will 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	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 each day is **14:25** hrs. The warning signal for each succeeding class will 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 sub-divide the IRC and HKPN Classes into divisions based on suitable rating bands. In such an event, division splits will be finalised not later than noon 27th October 2016 and a notice will be posted on the 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 SSI May 2013 and in Appendix 1 of these Sailing Instructions.

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

3.3 For Courses B1 - B5, IRC and Sportsboats shall use Windward Mark A1; HKPN, Dragon and J80 Classes shall use Windward Mark A2, if laid.

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

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sound signal) five minutes before the warning signal.

5 FINISHING

In accordance with Clause 9.3.1 of the HHYC SSI, the **third** boat in each class to finish shall be the Qualifying Boat.

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. This changes Appendix A2 of the RRS.

7 PRIZES

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, 17th December 2016**.

8 SAFETY REGULATIONS

All boats must comply with World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Appendix B, Special Regulations for inshore racing. The Sportsboat class and similar boats have dispensation for Clause 3.02 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.

9 MEASUREMENTS

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, 27th October 2016.

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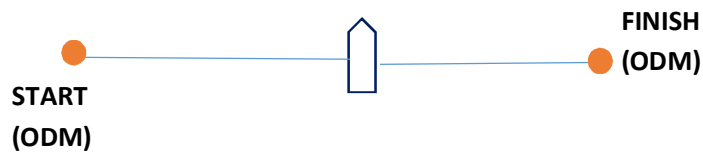
Appendix 1 – C - Courses

Offset (If laid) ● ● A1

Offset (If laid) ● ● A2

● B

● C



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C – Course Notes

Marks

A1	Orange Mark - generally set as a windward mark
A2	Black Mark - generally set as a windward mark
B	Orange Mark - generally set as a gybing mark
C	Orange Mark - generally set as a leeward mark
Offset	Orange Mark - if laid, set as an offset from mark A1 and/or A2
ODM	Orange Mark - Outer distance Mark
IDM	Inner Distance Mark - may be laid if the race committee deems appropriate

Notes

- (1) Marks A1 and A2 will be laid before the starting signal.
- (2) Mark B (if applicable) may be laid after the starting signal but will be laid before the leading yacht rounds the previous mark.
- (3) Mark C may be laid after the starting signal but will 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(s) may be laid. If laid it shall be approximately 50m to port of Mark A1/A2. If laid it shall rank as a mark of the course and shall be rounded after rounding mark A1 or A2 and shall be left to the same side as the other marks of the course.
- (6) All marks shall be rounded to port.

The IRC and Sportboat classes shall use mark A1; all other classes shall use mark A2.

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Course Number	Course
C1	Round 1: Start – A1/A2-B-C Round 2: A1/A2 - C Round 3: A1/A2- B - finish
C2	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

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