



Sails East Port Shelter Regatta 2017

Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th September

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020 together with;
- the prescriptions of the Hong Kong Sailing Federation;
 - 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;
 - World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Appendix B, Special Regulations for inshore racing;
 - the Rules of the SMS system for the Sports-boats class;
 - Class Rules where they apply;
 - the Hebe Haven Yacht Club Standard Sailing Instructions of April 2017 (HHYC SSI);
 - the 2017 Sails East Port Shelter Regatta Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions.
- Succeeding items in the above list will take precedence.

2 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 2.1 As far as practicable, the Regatta shall comprise three races:

Date	Race / Course	Warning signal for the first start of each day shall be displayed at:
Saturday 9 th September 2017	Race 1 & 2 – Geometric Courses for all classes	14:25 hours
Sunday 10 th September 2017	Race 3 – Geometric Course for Dragons Race 3 – Island Course(s) for all other classes	11:55 hours

- 2.2 A race that has been postponed or abandoned on the Saturday may be re-run on the Sunday.
- 2.3 Two races shall constitute the Regatta.
- 2.4 Race 2 shall be started as soon as possible after all boats in each class or division have finished or are deemed to have retired from the previous race.
- 2.5 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.



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3 VENUE

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).

4 CLASSES AND START SEQUENCE

4.1 The classes and divisions for the Sails East Port Shelter Regatta races shall be as follows:

Class / Division	Proposed Split Range	Flag	Proposed Starting Sequence
IRC Division A	1.080 and above	G	1
IRC Division B	1.079 and below	K	2
Sportsboats		O	2
HKPN		V	3
J80		J	3
Dragons		D	4

4.2 Depending on the list of entries, the Race Committee reserves the right to alter the stated divisional splits. In such an event the new divisional splits will be posted on the HHYC website and notice board not later than 12.00 noon on Friday, 8th September 2017.

4.3 All boats must fly a Sails East Division Flag from the backstay or starboard shroud as indicated below:

IRC Division A - Blue
IRC Division B - Yellow
HKPN - Green
Sportsboats - Black
J80 - White

All other advertising shall comply with ISAF Regulation 20.

4.4 Sails East Division Flags will be available from the HHYC main bar from 09:00 on Saturday 9th September 2017.

4.5 Prior to the first warning signal, competitors must request dispensation from the Race Committee if they are using a different Sail Number than that registered with the HKSF.

5 COURSES

The courses for all races are provided in the HHYC SSI.

6 DISCARDS

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



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7 PRIZES

- 7.1 There will be prize giving at HHYC based on provisional results following each day's racing.
- 7.2 Prize giving on Saturday 9th September 2017 will be in conjunction with the Sails East Port Shelter Regatta Official Party.
- 7.3 Overall Regatta prizes will be awarded after racing on Sunday 10th September 2017.

8 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 8.1 All boats must comply with World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Appendix B, Special Regulations for inshore racing. The Sportsboats class has 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 & P, Part I, of the HHYC SSI.
- 8.2 Dragons and One-Design boats shall comply with class safety rules.

9 MEASUREMENTS

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 no later than 12:00 noon Thursday 7th September 2017.

10 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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..."

11 INSURANCE

All boats shall be insured with at least the statutory minimum cover of valid third-party liability insurance applicable as of 1st September 2016.