



# HEBE HAVEN YACHT CLUB COUNTRESS CUP

Saturday, 15 September 2018

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

*Hebe Haven Yacht Club presents the re-scheduled Countress Cup*

*The Club invites ALL competitors to join this event  
and sail the Charisma Trophy Course.*

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**These Sailing Instructions revise and supersede the Sailing Instructions issued for the Countress Cup which was originally scheduled for 22 May 2018**

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### 1 RULES AND ELIGIBILITY

- 1.1 The Event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020* (RRS), together with:
- The prescriptions of the Hong Kong Sailing Federation;
  - IRC Rules Parts A, B and C, except that IRC 22.4 shall not apply;
  - 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;
  - Hebe Haven Yacht Club Standard Sailing Instructions, April 2017 (HHYC SSI);
  - the re-scheduled Countress Cup 2018 Notice of Race (NOR); and
  - these Sailing Instructions.
- Succeeding items in the above list will take precedence.
- 1.2 The Event is open to all boats that hold a valid HKPN handicap. For boats without a valid HKPN handicap, a temporary HKPN may be issued for this race; refer to NOR 3.4.
- 1.3 Notwithstanding clause 1.2, only boats with a handicap of **1135** or above, at the time of entry, will be eligible to contest for the Philip Boothroyd Countress Cup trophy.
- 1.4 A boat's HKPN at the time of entry shall be that boat's handicap for the Event irrespective of any subsequent HKPN change.



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## 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS, CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 2.1 Refer to HHYC SSI 2 and 3 for information on Notices to Competitors.
- 2.2 Refer to HHYC SSI Clause R for the location of the Signals made ashore.
- 2.3 Signals made ashore will also be posted on the HHYC Facebook page [www.facebook.com/hebehaven/](http://www.facebook.com/hebehaven/).

## 3 SCHEDULE OF RACES AND STARTING SEQUENCE

- 3.1 A single Island Race will take place on Saturday, 15 September 2018. The scheduled time for the warning signal will be 13:55.
- 3.2 There will be two divisions and starts, as follows:

Starting Sequence	HKPN Division Split	Starting Time	Class Flag
1	1135 and above	14:00	T
2	1134 and below	14:15	V

- 3.3 Any boat entering the race on the water must advise the Committee Boat of their HKPN handicap and confirm their start time with the Race Officer, not later than 10 minutes prior to their start time; this changes HHYC SSI Rule K.

## 4 THE RACING AREA AND COURSE

- 4.1 The Racing Area is given at HHYC SSI Clause O.
- 4.2 All boats shall sail the same course. The course will be chosen from the following:

No.	Course
1	Start - Green Beacon (s) - Tai Tau Chau (s) – Kau Sai Chau (s) - Cham Pai Light (s) - Ma Tsai Pai (s) – Jin Island (s) - Finish;
2	Start – Jin Island (p) - Ma Tsai Pai (p) - Cham Pai Light (p) – Kau Sai Chau (p) - Tai Tau Chau (p) - Green Beacon (p) - Finish;



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## **5 THE START**

- 5.1 The starting line will be located to the south of Sharp Island adjacent to Kau Sai Chau.
- 5.2 Boats whose preparatory signal has not been made shall keep well clear of the starting area in accordance with HHYC SSI 7.1.2.
- 5.3 Any boat arriving late for the Race may use their engine to approach the starting line, however they must turn off their engine and perform a 360 degree turn prior to starting.

## **6 THE FINISH**

- 6.1 The finishing line will be laid in the same location as the starting line, as near as practicable.
- 6.2 Any boat that has not finished the Countess Cup course by 18:00 will be scored "Did Not Finish" (DNF). This changes HHYC SSI 9.3.
- 6.3 In the event that the Countess Cup course is shortened by the Race Officer this will be done no earlier than 17:00.
- 6.4 If the course is shortened, boats that are contesting the Charisma Trophy may continue racing, after passing through the finishing line of the shortened course and complete the full course. If the Race Officer or an assistant is not at the finishing line to record a boat's finish the boat shall record its own finishing time when passing between the finishing ODM and an easterly transit to Kau Sai Chau. Recorded times shall be lodged with the Sailing Office in accordance with the Charisma Trophy Sailing Instructions at Appendix A of the Countess Cup NOR.
- 6.5 Boats continuing to race after completing a shortened Countess Cup course, in order to complete the Charisma Trophy course, shall advise the Race Officer accordingly, on the radio or by hailing and receiving an acknowledgement.
- 6.6 Boats that retire from the race shall notify the Race Officer in accordance with HHYC SSI 9.4.

## **7 PERMITTED PROPULSION**

Pursuant to RRS 42.3(i) a boat may use an engine to get clear after grounding or to pick up a Man Overboard. Provided that the boat notifies the Sailing Office of any action in this respect, immediately after the race, by making a detailed declaration and the Race Committee decides that no significant advantage has been gained, no penalty will be given.



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## **8 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

The timing and procedure in respect of protests and redress requests are set out in HHYC SSI 10.

## **9 SCORING**

The Race result will be calculated using the HKPN rating system.

## **10 PRIZES**

10.1 Pennants will be awarded to the first three boats in each Division based on corrected time.

10.2 The Philip Boothroyd Countess Cup trophy will be awarded to the first placed eligible boat based on corrected time.

10.3 The elapsed times, recorded by the Race Officer, of all qualifying boats which complete the full course will be entered for the Charisma Trophy. The qualifying criteria is set out in the Charisma Trophy Sailing Instructions at Appendix A of the Countess Cup NOR. The Charisma Trophy will be awarded in May 2019, after the Countess Cup 2019.

## **11 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

All boats shall comply with Safety Regulations as stated in HHYC SSI Clause M and NOR 11.

## **12 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

In accordance with HHYC SSI Rule N all boats are required to carry a VHF radio and keep a listening watch on Channel 72. Channel 77 may be used as a back-up.

## **13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in this even race entirely at their own risk; see RRS Fundamental Rule 4: Decision to Race and to World Offshore Sailing Special Regulation 1.02 (first point). The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the races.

## **14 INSURANCE**

All boats shall be insured with at least the minimum cover of valid third-party liability insurance required under HKSAR legislation.



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