



SAN MIGUEL MONSOON SPRING SERIES 2020

7 March - 25 April 2020

NOTICE OF RACE

In conjunction with Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club, HHYC is pleased to continue the Monsoon Series 2018-2019, with the San Miguel Monsoon Spring Series 2020. The completed Monsoon Winter Series 2019 and this Monsoon Spring Series 2020 will be combined with the Monsoon Spring Cup 2020 (formerly the RHKYC Spring Cup), to constitute the Monsoon Series.

Race 1 of this Monsoon Spring Series, on 7 March 2020 will be followed by the Inaugural Overnight Coastal Race. Details of the Inaugural Overnight Coastal Race can be found here: <http://bit.ly/2SOFUIi>

1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Organizing Authority for the San Miguel Monsoon Spring Series 2020 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) 2017-20, together with;

- The prescriptions of the Hong Kong Sailing Federation;
- 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;
- The Hebe Haven Yacht Club Standard Sailing Instructions of April 2017 (HHYC SSI);
- This Notice of Race and the San Miguel Monsoon Spring Series 2020 Sailing Instructions.

Succeeding items in the above list will take precedence.

2.2 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 boats in the following Classes:

- IRC Class - monohull boats holding a valid IRC rating;
- HKPN Class - boats holding a valid HKPN;
- Sportsboat Class; holding a valid SMS rating;
- One-design Classes - J80 and Dragon.

3.2 Should there be sufficient entries, the IRC and HKPN Classes may be sub-divided into divisions based on suitable rating bands.

3.3 Boats may only enter one class or division for the Series.



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- 3.4 For the Sportsboat and/or One-design Classes a minimum of three entries for the Series is required by the deadline stated in Clause 3.5 of this NOR. Should there be less than three entries at the deadline, the Race Committee may incorporate these boats into other classes and the affected Class may be cancelled for the Series. A Notice to Competitors will be issued to effect any change in this respect.
- 3.5 Entries should be made online by 12:00 noon on Wednesday, 4 March 2020. This will assist the Race Committee in making decisions on whether to split classes into divisions.
- 3.6 Late entries may also be made on the water on the day of racing by hailing the Committee Boat not later than one minute before the first warning signal.
- 3.7 Late entrants MUST submit an online entry form or at the HHYC Sailing Office before the last day of the Series. Entrants that fail to comply with this rule will be subject to an additional administration fee of HKD \$150.

4 FEES

- 4.1 The race fee per boat per racing day is \$200.
- 4.2 Boats may choose to enter the whole Series. Entry fees for the Series are:

	<u>Entry Date</u>	<u>Entry Fee</u>
Early Bird	before 18:00 on 27 February 2020	\$750
Standard	after 18:00 on 27 February 2020	\$850
- 4.3 The entry fees are non-refundable. Entry fees will not be refunded or adjusted in the event of a race or races being abandoned or cancelled.

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Races are scheduled as follows:

Race	Course Type	Date	Scheduled time for the first warning signal
1	Island	7 March 2020	13:55
2 & 3	Geometric	21 March 2020	13:55
4 & 5	Geometric	28 March 2020	13:55
6	Island	18 April 2020	13:55
7 & 8	Geometric	25 April 2020	13:55

- 5.2 The scheduled time for the first warning signal will be 13:55 hrs. Races subsequent to the first race of the day 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.
- 5.3 On 7 March 2020 (Race 1) and 18 April 2020 (Race 6) there may be a separate Geometric course race for the Dragon Class, in lieu of the designated Island Course.
- 5.4 The potential date for any re-sail of an abandoned race(s) is scheduled for 18 April 2020.
- 5.5 On 7 March 2020, following Race 1, the Inaugural Overnight Coastal Race will be started under the authority of HHYC; details of this Race can be found here: <http://bit.ly/2S0FUii>.





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6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be posted in the Club by 12:00 noon, on 21 February 2020 and will be uploaded to the Club website.

7 VENUE

The racing will take place in the vicinity of Port Shelter.

8 COURSES

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

9 SCORING

9.1 Discards will be used dependent on the number of races completed as follows:

- 8 races completed – 2 discards
- 6-7 races completed - 1 discard
- Less than 6 races completed - 0 discards

This changes Appendix A2 of the RRS. Four races shall constitute a series.

9.2 For information, the results of Race 1 will be combined with the results from other subsequent races for the **Hong Kong IRC Nationals 2020**.

10 RADIO COMMUNICATION

In accordance with HHYC SSI Clause 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.

11 PRIZES

11.1 There will be prize giving at HHYC based on provisional results following each day's racing, except that there will be no prize giving after Race 1. Prizes for Race 1 will be awarded after Races 2 and 3 on 21 March 2020.

11.2 Overall prizes for the Monsoon Series will be awarded after racing on Saturday, 25 April 2020.

11.3 Competitors in the Monsoon Winter Series will also be eligible for overall prizes in the combined Monsoon Series. For details, refer to the Monsoon Series 2019-20 Notice of Race.

11.4 All trophies presented must be returned to the Sailing Office or to a member of the Race Committee immediately for engraving. Trophies will remain at the Club for display. Boats not complying with this requirement will be subject to a \$2,000 replacement fee and may be refused entry to future events.



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12 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 12.1 All boats must comply with the HHYC Policy on Personal Flotation Devices.
- 12.2 All boats must comply with World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Appendix B: Special Regulations for inshore racing. The Sportsboat and J80 classes have dispensation for Clause 3.02 of these Regulations.
- 12.3 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.
- 12.4 Dragons and One-Design boats shall comply with respective class safety rules.

13 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...”

14 INSURANCE

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

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact Sailing Office at +852-2719 7932 or sailing@hhyc.org.hk.

General Information

HHYC has imposed a ban on the sale of drinks in plastic bottles; in lieu of this, filtered water will be available in the Club, to enable competitors to fill up their own bottles, free of charge. **Please RE-USE plastic bottles instead of buying new.**

Visiting members of ABC and RHKYC may 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 not members of Hebe Haven Yacht Club, or, cash coupons will be available for purchase in the Main Bar.

Please note – there is no facility to re-charge Octopus card value at HHYC.

Useful Telephone Numbers & Contacts:

Sailing Office:

Tel: 2719 0926

Email: sailing@hhyc.org.hk

Bar:

Tel: 2719 8300

Marine:

Tel: 2719 3673

Sampan Service:

Tel: 9272 6204 or 9272 6205

Committee Boat:

VHF: Channel 72