



# Hebe Haven Yacht Club Hong Kong Interclub Ladies / Girls Champs Regatta 2021

SATURDAY, 29 MAY 2021

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The **Organising Authority** for the 2021 Hong Kong Interclub Ladies / Girls Champs Regatta is the Hebe Haven Yacht Club.

*The notation '[DP]' in a rule in these SIs means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.*

### 1 RULES

The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-2024, together with :

- the prescriptions of the Hong Kong Sailing Federation;
- IRC Rules Parts A, B and C apply except that Rule 22.4 only applies to Sportsboat and One-design Classes;
- 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;
- All skippers, helms and competitors participating in this event shall be female;
- 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, including class safety 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); and
- The Hong Kong Interclub Ladies / Girls Champs Regatta 2021 Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions.

### 2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to these Sailing Instructions will be issued in accordance with HHYC SSI 3.

### 3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to Competitors, Protest Time Limits, penalty information and other pertinent information will be posted on the HHYC Official Notice Board (ONB) which can be found on the HHYC Website and may also be posted on the notice board in the Garden Bar.
- 3.2 A registration desk for competitors chartering J-80 and RS Quest dinghies will be located in the Garden Bar from 09:00 on race day.
- 3.3 The race office is located in the Sailing Office section of the HHYC Main Office, which is located behind the Garden Bar; telephone No. 2719 0926 and email : racing@hhyc.org.hk.
- 3.4 On the water the Race Officer will monitor and communicate with competitors on Channel 72 and in accordance with HHYC SSI Clause N. Channel 77 may be used as a back-up.
- 3.5 Communications may be made by the Race Officer on VHF channel 72 in respect of courses, starting order of classes, change of courses, shortening, postponement, abandonment, time checks, and recalls.
- 3.6 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

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#### 4 CODE OF CONDUCT

[DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

#### 5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Refer to HHYC SSI Clause R for the location of signals made ashore.

5.2 With reference to the RRS Race Signals; Postponement Signals, when Flag AP is displayed ashore “one minute” is replaced with “not less than 60 minutes. Signals made ashore may also be posted on the ONB.

#### 6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 The races are scheduled as follows:

Date	Time	
29 May 2021	09:00-10:00	Dinghy and J-80 registration (HHYC)
	10:55	First Warning Signal

6.2 Races subsequent to the first race of the day shall be started as soon as possible after all boats in each class have finished, retired, or finished outside the time limit from the previous race.

#### 7 CLASS FLAGS AND STARTING SEQUENCE

7.1 Class flags and starting sequence will be as follows:

Class /	IC Flag	Proposed Starting Sequence	Schedule Time of first warning signal
HKPN	G	1	10:55
Sportsboats	O	2	11:00
J-80	J	2	11:00
RS Quest	T	3	11:05

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

7.3 Boats in the HKPN class may elect to not use a spinnaker for the Hong Kong Interclub Ladies / Girls Champs Regatta by informing the Committee Boat before the warning signal. Boats so electing will be given a 1.5% spinnaker allowance on their HKPN rating. No such allowance will be made for any other Class.

#### 8 THE RACING AREA

The Racing Area is given at HHYC SSI Clause O.

#### 9 COURSES

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

#### 10 MARKS

The marks are given in HHYC SSI 5.1 and Appendices.

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## 12 THE START

- 12.1 The starting line and starting sequence will be as stated in HHYC SSI 6 and 7.
- 12.2 [DP] boats whose preparatory signal has not been made shall keep well clear of the starting area, during the starting sequence for other races, in accordance with HHYC SSI 7.1.2.
- 12.3 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number or name; such hailing may be made with a short delay. Failure to hail a boat, failure of the boat to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress for request. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## 13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

A mark may be moved once up to 10 degrees and/or 200 metres from its original laid position without the Race Officer signaling a change of course. This changes RRS 33.

## 14 THE FINISH

- 14.1 HHYC SSI 9.1.2 is amended to read :  
“For Geometric Courses, the finishing line will be between the signal mast displaying a blue flag on the Committee Boat and a mark of the course or the ODM.”
- 14.2 Boats that retire from the race shall notify the Race Officer or face potential disqualification, all in accordance with HHYC SSI 9.4.

## 15 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 For the Sportsboat Class, the penalty for breaking a Part 2 rule shall be a One-Turn Penalty. This changes RRS 44.1.
- 15.2 In respect of HHYC SSI 5.3.2 “This changes RRS 64.1” is amended to “This changes RRS 64.2”.

## 16 TIME LIMITS

The time limits for races are set out in HHYC SSI 9.3.

## 17 HEARING REQUESTS

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

## 18 SCORING

The scoring system will be as stated in HHYC SSI 11. Discards shall apply as set out in NOR 11.

## 19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 All boats shall comply with Safety Regulations as stated in the Clause M of Part I of the HHYC SSI and NOR 13.
- 19.2 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 Race Officer or 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.

## 20-22 Not Used

## 23 OFFICIAL VESSELS

Official vessels will be identified as follows:

- Committee Boat: Hebe One
- Mark laying boat 1: Yellow P4
- Mark laying boat 2: Yellow P4 (if used)
- Safety boat: Yellow P4.

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## 25 TRASH DISPOSAL

All competitors are reminded of RRS Basic Principles and Environmental Responsibility, and RRS 47: All rubbish must be taken back onshore after racing.

## 26-28 Not Used

## 29 PRIZES

- 29.1 Overall Prizes will be awarded to the first, second, and third boats for each class/division. Where there are less than four boats entered in a class/division prizes will be awarded for the first and second.
- 29.2 A prize giving with buffet will be held as soon after all fleets are ashore, as is reasonable, subject to HKSAR restrictions on gatherings.
- 29.3 All trophies presented must be returned to the Sailing Office or 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.

## 30 RISK STATEMENT

- 30.1 The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone. By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes. All those taking any part in the event do so at their own risk.
- 30.2 The Organizing Authority and its associates and appointees accept no responsibility or liability for any inconvenience, loss, damage or injury howsoever caused.

## 31 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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