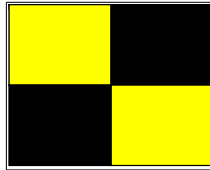




**HEBE HAVEN YACHT CLUB**  
**24HR CHARITY DINGHY RACE 2012**

**L-Notice No. 2**



**Change to Penalty System and Protest System**

Sailing Instructions Section 13 and Section 14 are deleted.

New **Appendix A - PENALTIES and PROTESTS** are included as part of the Sailing Instructions to implement new 24 Hour Charity Race rules regarding Penalties and Protests.

**In summary**

A boat may now take a One-Turn penalty in the absence of a race marshal there to penalise them, if they may have broken a rule.

Race marshals may still give penalties on the water as before.

‘Stop / Go’ penalties will be enforced, particularly for breaches of rule 42. All teams should be familiar with the location of the ‘Stop / Go’ area and procedure.

*(This summary does not constitute the new instructions.*

*Refer to Appendix A - PENALTIES and PROTESTS attached.)*

## **24 Hour Race 2012 - Sailing Instructions – Appendix A**

### **PENALTIES and PROTESTS**

This penalty system modifies RRS 31.2, RRS 44 and RRS 64.1(a).

#### **A.1 Self – Exoneration**

Boats may exonerate themselves in the absence of a race marshal for breaches of rules of RRS Part 2 or RRS 31.1 (touching a mark) by taking a One-Turn penalty.

#### **A.2 Marshalled Penalties**

Race Committee Marshals may be on the water observing at any time. Craft carrying race marshals shall fly a yellow streamer/ flag by day, and additionally shall carry a spotlight by night. If a race marshal witnesses a boat breaking a rule he shall first allow that boat to voluntarily take a One-Turn Penalty at the time of the incident if appropriate (See A.1). If a boat does not do so, OR as provided below, a Marshal may promptly verbally identify that boat and impose a penalty, as follows:

- a) a One-Turn Penalty, for the breach of any rule Part 2 rule or rule 31 or;
- b) a 'Stop / Go' Penalty, for the breach of any other rule not listed in a) above or;
- c) protest that boat as provided for in rule 60.2 and 61.2.

#### **One-Turn Penalties**

After getting well clear of other boats as soon after the incident as possible, a boat takes a One-Turn Penalty by promptly making ONE TURN consisting of one tack and one gybe. A penalty shall not be considered taken if that boat interferes with any other vessel, including a vessel not racing or touches a moored vessel whilst turning.

#### **Stop / Go Penalties**

A boat shall perform a 'stop / go penalty' as follows:

The boat must come to a complete stop alongside the penalty area of the pontoon, for 15 seconds as determined by the Dock Master. Once the Dock Master has given the go ahead the boat may rejoin the race.

A boat shall not make more than one "stop-go penalty" at a time. No crew changeover is permitted during a "stop / go penalty". If a penalty is imposed by the race marshals, and no "stop-go penalty" is carried out, the offending boat will have one lap deducted from its score.

#### **A.3 Protests**

Protests must be lodged at the race headquarters within 30 minutes of a crew coming ashore. Protest Forms may be obtained from the race headquarters. A protested boat may choose to exonerate herself as described in this appendix before going to protest. A penalty in this sense must be taken within 2 hours of the incident. This modifies RRS 42.2. When the protest committee decides that a boat that is a party to a protest hearing has broken a rule, it shall penalise that boat at a minimum of a deduction of 1 lap, but in a means which is fairest for all boats and in the spirit of the 24 Hour Charity Race. This may be, but is not limited to disqualification, a deduction of more laps or some other penalty less than disqualification.

When at all possible, protests shall be heard during the event. A HK\$100 protest fee will be charged. This will either be returned if the protest is upheld, or will be donated to charity if the protest is dismissed.