

15 June - 10 August 2019

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

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);
- The Peroni Summer Saturday Series 2019 Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions.

Succeeding items in the above list will take precedence.

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.

3 SCHEDULE

3.1 The races are scheduled as follows:

Race	Course Type	Date	Scheduled time for the first warning signal
1 & 2	Geometric	15 June 2019	13:55
3	Island	29 June 2019	13:55
4 & 5	Geometric	13 July 2019	13:55
6	Island	27 July 2019	13:55
7 & 8	Geometric	10 August 2019	13:55

3.2 <u>Posssible re-sail dates:</u> 29 June and 27 July 2019 have been designated as possible re-sail dates, should the Race Committee choose to re-run one or more postponed or abandoned races.

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4 CLASS FLAGS AND STARTING SEQUENCE

4.1 Class flags and starting sequence will be as follows:

Class / Division	Rating System	Flag	Proposed Starting Sequence
IRC	IRC	G	1
Sportsboat	SMS	О	2
HKPN	HKPN	V	3
J80	OD	J	3
Dragon	OD	D	4

- 4.2 The Race Officer may change the starting sequence. Competitors are reminded to check the flags on the Committee Boat during the starting sequence.
- 4.3 Subject to the number of entries, the Race Committee reserves the right to alter the stated divisional splits and starting sequence. In such an event, the new divisional splits will be posted on the HHYC website not later than 12:00 noon on Friday, 14 June 2019.
- 4.4 Boats in the HKPN class may elect not to use a spinnaker in a particular race by informing the Committee Boat before the Warning Signal of that race. Yachts so electing will be given a **1.5% spinnaker allowance** on their HKPN. No such allowance will be made for any other Class.

5 THE RACING AREA

The Racing Area is given at HHYC SSI Clause O.

6 THE COURSES

The courses for all races are chosen from the HHYC SSI Appendices.

7 THE START

- 7.1 The starting line and starting sequence will be as stated in HHYC SSI 6 and 7.
- 7.2 Boat whose preparatory signal has not been made shall keep well clear of the starting area in accordance with HHYC SSI 7.1.2.

8 THE FINISH

- 8.1 The finishing line will be as stated in HHYC SSI 9.1. Generally the finishing mark (ODM) will be to the port side of the Course.
- 8.2 Boats that retire from the race shall notify the Race Officer or face potential disqualification, all in accordance with HHYC SSI 9.4.

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9 TIME LIMITS

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

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

For the Sportsboat Class, the penalty of breaking a rule of RRS Part 2 shall be a One-Turn Penalty (one tack and one gybe in the same direction). This changes RRS 44.1.

11 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.

12 PROTEST AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

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

13 SCORING

- 13.1 The scoring system will be as stated in HHYC SSI 11.
- 13.2 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.

13.3 Four races shall constitute a series.

14 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 14.1 All boats shall comply with the HHYC Policy on Personal Flotation Devices.
- 14.2 All boats shall comply with the Safety Regulations as stated in the Clause M of Part I of the HHYC SSI. Sportsboats and J80s have dispensation for Clause 3.02 of World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Appendix B, Special Regulations for inshore racing.
- 14.3 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.

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15 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.

16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the Series races 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.

17 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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