

MONSOON SPRING SERIES 2023 25 February – 1 April 2023

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Monsoon Spring Series 2023 is the final of three events which comprise the Monsoon Series. As well as the prizes awarded for each of the three individual events. Additional prizes will be given for results across all of the races of the Monsoon Series. Please refer to the Notice of Race for the Monsoon Series for further details.

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in these Sailing Instructions 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 rules stated in NoR 1.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to these Sailing Instructions will be issued in accordance with HHYC SSI 4.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to Competitors, Protest Time Limits, penalty information and other pertinent information will be posted in accordance with HHYC SSI 3.1.
- 3.2 On the water the Race Officer will monitor and communicate with competitors on Channel 72 and in accordance with HHYC SSI 25.2. Channel 77 may be used as a back-up.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

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

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Refer to HHYC SSI 6 for information on signals made ashore.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 The races are scheduled as follows:

Race	Course Type	Date	Scheduled time for the first warning signal
1 & 2	Geometric	Saturday, 25 February 2023	12:55
3	Island	Saturday, 4 March 2023	12:55
4 & 5	Geometric	Saturday, 11 March 2023	12:55
6	Island	Saturday, 18 March 2023	12:55
7	Island	Saturday, 25 March 2023	12:55
8	Geometric	Saturday, 1 April 2023	12:55

- 6.2 In the event that weather conditions, as determined by the Race Officer on the race days, are deemed unsuitable for running an island course, the Race Officer may choose to replace the Island course by a Geometric course race.
- 6.3 Races subsequent to the first race of a 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.

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7 CLASS FLAGS AND STARTING SEQUENCE

7.1 Class flags and starting sequence will be as follows:

Class / Division	Rating System	Class Flag	Proposed Starting Sequence
IRC	IRC	G	1
Sportsboat	SMS	О	2
J/80	OD	J	2
HKPN	HKPN	T	3
Dragon	OD	D	4

- 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 The Race Committee, upon receipt of entries, may decide to sub-divide the IRC and/or HKPN Classes into divisions based on suitable rating bands and/or to alter the starting sequence. A Notice to Competitors will be issued to advise any amendments, which will be posted on the ONB not later than 12:00 noon on Thursday, 23 February 2023.
- 7.4 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 rating. No such allowance will be made for any other Class.

8 THE RACING AREA

The Racing Area is given at HHYC SSI 9.

9 COURSES

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

10 MARKS

The marks are given in HHYC SSI 11 and Appendices.

11 Not Used

12 THE START

- 12.1 The starting line and starting sequence will be as stated in HHYC SSI 12.
- 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 12.1.3.
- 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 request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

In a geometric race, a mark may be moved once up to 10 degrees and/or 100 metres from its original laid position without the Race Officer signalling a change of course. This changes RRS 33.

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14 THE FINISH

- 14.1 The finish will be as stated in HHYC SSI 16.
- 14.2 The finishing mark (ODM) for Island Courses will generally be on the port side of the Course.
- 14.3 Boats that retire from the race shall notify the Race Officer or face potential disqualification, all in accordance with HHYC SSI 19.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

For the Sportsboat Class, the penalty for breaking a Part 2 rule shall be a One-Turn Penalty. This changes RRS 44.1.

16 TIME LIMITS

16.1 Pursuant to HHYC SSI 17 the following time limits apply to the first geometric race in a day:

Race Time Limit – 60 minutes: and

Finishing Window for each class or division – 30 minutes.

16.2 The race time limit in the SI 16.1 is the target race time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish. If no boat has finished within the target race limit, the race may be abandoned. This changes HHYC SSI 17.3.

17 HEARING REQUESTS

The timing and procedure in respect of protests and redress requests are set out in HHYC SSI 20.

18 SCORING

- 18.1 The scoring system will be as stated in HHYC SSI 22. Discards shall apply as set out in NoR 15.
- 18.2 In respect of NoR 15.5 on ORC scoring, results will be determined by corrected times calculated by ORC Club's single-number Time on Time rating. "Windward/Leeward" number will be used for geometric races and "All Purpose" number will be used for island races.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

All boats shall comply with Safety Regulations as stated in the HHYC SSI 23 and NoR 1 and 22.

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: RIB (if used)

• Safety boat: RIB

24 Not Used





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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

Prizes will be awarded as set out in the NoR 24.

30 RISK STATEMENT

Reference should be made to NoR 22 and HHYC SSI 28.

31 INSURANCE

Reference should be made to HHYC SSI 29.

