



# HK Race week

香港帆船賽週 2020

4 to 9 February



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## NOTICE OF RACE

The notation '[NP]' in a rule in the Notice of Race (NoR) means that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest or request for redress by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1.

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the international jury, be less than disqualification.

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 The Notice of Series for the ASAF Youth Sailing Cup 2020 will apply except as amended by this NoR.
- 1.3 The HKSF Prescriptions current as of 4 February 2020 will apply. The Prescriptions will be available at [www.sailing.org.hk](http://www.sailing.org.hk).
- 1.4 RRS Appendix P, *Special Procedures for RRS 42*, will apply.
- 1.5 RRS Appendix G3, *Chartered or Loaned Boats*, will apply.
- 1.6 RRS Appendix T, *Arbitration*, will apply.
- 1.7 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.8 Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices adequate for the conditions at all times whilst afloat, except briefly while adjusting clothing or personal equipment. [NP][DP]
- 1.9 This event is designated a Clean Regatta by the Sailors for the Sea, a nonprofit organisation that educates and empowers boaters to protect and restore our oceans and coastal waters. Our goal is Gold Level.

### 2 ADVERTISING, BOW NUMBERS AND BIBS [NP][DP]

- 2.1 A boat wishing to display advertising on her hull, sails or spars shall be in possession of a valid Advertising License, issued by her National Authority as provided in World Sailing Regulation 20 - (Advertising Code) unless that Authority has in its prescriptions prescribed otherwise.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.
- 2.3 Boats may be required to display bow numbers supplied by the organising authority.
- 2.4 Except for the Optimist, Optimist Green and Laser Pico Green classes, competitors aboard boats ranked first, second and third in the regatta at the beginning of each day shall wear yellow, blue and red bibs, respectively, while racing. Competitors in the Optimist Green and Laser Pico Green classes shall wear safety bibs while afloat. Bibs will be provided by the organising authority.

### 3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the following classes:

|                  |                |
|------------------|----------------|
| 2.4mR            | 29er           |
| 420              | 470            |
| Laser 4.7        | Laser Radial   |
| Laser Pico Green | RS Feva        |
| Optimist         | Optimist Green |

- 3.2 Other classes may be considered by making a request to the organising authority (minimum of 10 boats).
- 3.3 There will be an Optimist Main Fleet and an Optimist Green Fleet. Competitors in the Optimist Main Fleet shall have been born in 2005 or later.
- 3.4 The Laser Pico Green Fleet and Optimist Green Fleet are introductory fleets for less experienced sailors and will include opportunities for learning and competition. The regatta will be organised by the Green Fleet Race Committee with the objectives of learning, improving and having fun along the way as the main drivers of all decisions.



- 3.5 Laser Pico Green Fleet:
- 3.5.1 The regatta will consist of a single series of races run on 5 & 6 February 2020.
- 3.5.2 Sailors in the Laser Pico Green Fleet shall meet the following criteria:
- hold HKSF Level 2 Dinghy Certificate or equivalent i.e. be sufficiently experienced to participate irrespective of the wind and sea conditions that may be encountered;
  - be aged 11 – 16 years at the time of racing; and
  - have sailed for less than 2 seasons.
- 3.6 Optimist Green Fleet:
- 3.6.1 The regatta will consist of a single series of races run on 7 - 9 February 2020.
- 3.6.2 Sailors in the Optimist Green Fleet shall meet the following criteria:
- hold HKSF Level 2 Dinghy Certificate or equivalent i.e. be sufficiently experienced to participate irrespective of the wind and sea conditions that may be encountered;
  - be aged 12 years or under at the time of racing;
  - have sailed for less than 2 seasons;
  - not have previously raced outside of Optimist Green Fleet except at regattas where no such racing was offered; and
  - not have placed 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> in a HKODA or other Optimist Green Fleet regatta.
- 3.6.3 Optimist sailors who do not meet these criteria should race in the Main Fleet. The organising authority will refuse an entry from a sailor whom they believe should be entered in the Main Fleet. In addition, the race committee may move a sailor from the Green Fleet to the Main Fleet (or vice versa) at their discretion. [NP]
- 3.7 The eligibility requirements for any boat intending to be eligible for scoring as part of the ASAF Youth Sailing Cup Series are set out in the ASAF Youth Sailing Cup 2020 Notice of Series.
- 3.8 HKRW 2020 incorporates the 2020 HK 29er Nationals and the 2020 HK 420 Nationals. The eligibility requirements for any boat intending to be eligible for scoring as part of these events will be included in the relevant NoRs.
- 3.9 Eligible boats shall enter by completing the online form at [www.hongkongraceweek.com](http://www.hongkongraceweek.com) and paying the required fee by 1 December 2019 (Early Bird) or by 1 January 2020 (Regular).
- 3.10 Late entries (if approved) will be charged a 30% penalty to the Regular Fee. No entries will be accepted after 13 January 2020.
- 3.11 The organising authority reserves the right to place a cap on the number of entries in each class.
- 3.12 The organising authority will send each entrant an acceptance email to confirm his or her entry.
- 3.13 The race committee, acting under RRS 76.1, may cancel the entry of any boat or class of boats depending on the prevailing or forecast weather or sea conditions.
- 3.14 All coaches shall register with the organising authority by completing the online form at [www.hongkongraceweek.com](http://www.hongkongraceweek.com) and paying the required fee by 1 December 2019 (Early Bird) or by 1 January 2020 (Regular).
- 3.15 Late coach registrations will be charged a 30% penalty. No coach registrations will be accepted after 13 January 2020.
- 3.16 Registration in accordance with the regatta schedule (NoR 6.1) is mandatory. If a boat fails to register in accordance with the regatta schedule, the race committee may:
- consider that the entry has been withdrawn, and refuse to allow the boat to sail in the event - no refund of the entry fee will be made; or
  - allow the boat to sail, but its results may be subject to a penalty at the discretion of the international jury. [DP]

#### 4 FEES

4.1 The entry and coach registration fees are:

|   | <b>Early Bird Fee</b><br>Entry/registration & payment by midnight (HK time) on 1 December 2019 | <b>Regular Fee</b><br>Entry/registration & payment from 2 December 2019 to midnight (HK time) on 1 January 2020 | <b>Late Fee</b><br>Entry/registration & payment from 2 January 2020 to midnight (HK time) on 13 January 2020 |
|---|--|---|--|
| Singlehanded Entry                            | HK\$567  | HK\$731   | HK\$948  |
| Doublehanded Entry                            | HK\$969  | HK\$1180  | HK\$1545   |
| Optimist Green & Laser Pico Green Fleet Entry | HK\$433  | HK\$541   | HK\$700  |
| Coach Registration                            | HK\$309  | HK\$386   | HK\$515  |

4.2 Entry/registration fees will not be refundable after 13 January 2020.

#### 5 FORMAT OF RACING

The regatta will consist of a single series of races for each class. Boys and Girls will sail combined. Fleets may be split depending on the entry size.

#### 6 SCHEDULE

6.1 The regatta schedule will be:

|   |  |
|---|--|
| Early Bird Entry/Coach Registration   | until 1 December 2019  |
| Regular Entry/Coach Registration  | 2 December 2019 - 1 January 2020                                     |
| Late Entry/Coach Registration   | 2 January - 13 January 2020  |
| Support Boat Registration   | until 13 January 2020  |
| Coach Accreditation Collection  | 4 & 5 February 2020 (0900 - 1700hrs)                                 |
| <b>2.4mR, 29er, 420, 470, Laser 4.7, Laser Radial, RS Feva, Optimist Main</b> |  |
| Measurement & Sailor Registration (requires endorsed Measurement Form)        | 4 & 5 February 2020 (0900 - 1700hrs)                                 |
| Practice Race   | 5 February 2020  |
| Racing  | 6 - 9 February 2020  |
| Prize Giving  | 9 February 2020 (~1800hrs)   |
| <b>Laser Pico Green Fleet</b>   |  |
| Measurement & Sailor Registration (requires endorsed Measurement Form)        | 5 February 2020 (0900hrs)  |
| Racing  | 5 February 2020 (1000 – 1530hrs)<br>6 February 2020 (0900 – 1530hrs) |
| Prize Giving  | 6 February 2020 (~1645hrs)   |
| <b>Optimist Green Fleet</b>   |  |
| Measurement & Sailor Registration (requires endorsed Measurement Form)        | 5 February 2020 (1500 - 1615hrs)                                     |
| Racing  | 7 - 9 February 2020  |
| Prize Giving  | 9 February 2020 (~1645hrs)   |

6.2 Number of races:

| Class  | Maximum # of races | Target # of races per day |
|--|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 2.4mR, 420, 470, Laser 4.7, Laser Radial, RS Feva, Optimist Main | 12                 | 3                         |
| 29er   | 14                 | 3 or 4                    |
| Laser Pico Green & Optimist Green                                | -                  | 4*                        |

\* The Green Fleet Race Committee may adjust this target to suit the conditions and the abilities of the Green Fleets.

6.3 The scheduled times of the warning signals are:

| 2.4mR, 29er, 420, 470, Laser 4.7, Laser Radial, RS Feva, Optimist Main |               |                          |
|--|---------------|--------------------------|
| 5 February 2020  | Practice race | 1355hrs                  |
| 6 - 9 February 2020  | First race    | 1055hrs                  |
| Laser Pico Green Fleet   |               |                          |
| 5 February 2020  | First race    | After briefing @ 1000hrs |
| 6 February 2020  | First race    | After briefing @ 0900hrs |
| Optimist Green Fleet   |               |                          |
| 7 - 9 February 2020  | First race    | After briefing @ 1000hrs |

6.4 Details of the class/fleet race areas and schedule will be published in the sailing instructions (SIs).

6.5 On 9 February 2020 no warning signal will be made after 1600hrs. In the case of one or more postponements, general recalls or abandonments when the initial warning signal was made prior to 1600hrs, the race committee may display subsequent warning signals after that time.

**7 MEASUREMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION [NP][DP]**

Boats shall comply with their class rules and shall be available for measurement and inspection as per the schedule in NoR 6.1. Boats may be measured and inspected at any time during the regatta.

**8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The SIs will be available by 28 January 2020 at [www.hongkongraceweek.com](http://www.hongkongraceweek.com).

**9 VENUE**

9.1 Hong Kong Race Week 2020 will be held at the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club's Middle Island club house (see Attachment A).

9.2 Racing will take place in any of the Middle Island/Repulse Bay/Deep Water Bay/Stanley/Beaufort Island/Po Toi Islands/Tai Tam areas, as decided on the day by the race committee (see Attachment A).

**10 THE COURSES**

The courses to be sailed will be windward/leeward, trapezoid or Optimist Worlds courses.

**11 INTERNATIONAL JURY & PENALTY SYSTEM**

11.1 An international jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b). Decisions of the international jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

11.2 For the 29er and RS Feva classes RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

**12 SCORING**

12.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A shall apply to all races and as amended by the SIs.

12.2 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

12.3 The ASAF Youth Sailing Cup, including the ASAF Nations Cup, will be scored separately in accordance with the ASAF Youth Sailing Cup 2020 Notice of Series.

12.4 The 2020 HK 29er Nationals and 2020 HK 420 Nationals will be scored separately in accordance with the NoRs governing these events.



### **13 SUPPORT BOATS & PERSONNEL**

- 13.1 All support boats shall be registered with the organising authority by completing the online form at [www.hongkongraceweek.com](http://www.hongkongraceweek.com) by 13 January 2020. All support boats shall comply with local legislation and event and any class support boat regulations.
- 13.2 Support boats shall be clearly marked with the three national letter code(s) of the boats they are supporting on the engine cowling, or in some other prominent position at all times whilst afloat. [NP][DP]
- 13.3 Coaches and other personnel on support boats shall wear life jackets while afloat and comply with local legislation. Drivers of support boats shall attach the "kill cord" of the support boat to their person while driving. [NP][DP]
- 13.4 All support boats shall carry on board and operate while afloat a marine band VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on the normal international channels, and agree to assist the race committee if directed to do so. [NP][DP]
- 13.5 All coaches shall register with the organising authority in accordance with NoR 3.14 or 3.15. Coach accreditation shall be collected from the organising authority on 4 or 5 February 2020.

### **14 BERTHING & LAUNCHING [NP][DP]**

All boats, including support boats, shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the RHKYC Middle Island boat park/dock. All competitors shall launch from RHKYC Middle Island and then return to RHKYC Middle Island after racing.

### **15 RADIO COMMUNICATION [NP][DP]**

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats except when using equipment provided by the race committee.

### **16 PRIZES**

- 16.1 For all classes, the number of prizes to be awarded will be:

|                     |          |                  |          |
|---------------------|----------|------------------|----------|
| 3 - 5 entrants      | 1 prize  | 6 - 7 entrants   | 2 prizes |
| 8 - 14 entrants     | 3 prizes | 15 - 25 entrants | 4 prizes |
| 26 or more entrants | 5 prizes |                  |          |

- 16.2 For the Optimist Main Fleet, prizes will also be awarded to the top three 10 year and under sailors (born in 2010 or later) and 12 year and under sailors (born in 2008 or 2009).
- 16.3 For the Optimist Green Fleet and Laser Pico Green Fleet, each sailor will be awarded a participation prize.
- 16.4 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority.

### **17 MEDIA & IMAGE RIGHT WAIVER**

By entering this regatta, each skipper and crew on the competing boats grant at no cost the absolute right and permission to use their names, voices, images, likenesses and biographical material, as well as representations of their boats in any media (including television, print and internet) to the organising authority and the sponsor(s) and affiliated companies. Clause 20.1 of the ASAF Youth Sailing Cup 2020 Notice of Series shall also apply.

### **18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organising authority, the co-organiser, the sponsor(s), the venue and the race committee will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.

### **19 INSURANCE**

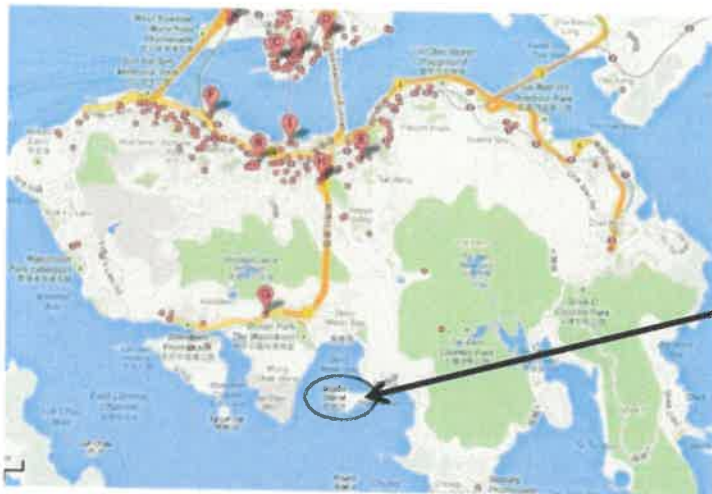
All boats taking part in the races shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance of at least the minimum cover required by HKSAR law (<http://www.rhkyc.org.hk/upload/Marine/Notices/mdn-71-2016.pdf>). Proof of insurance shall be available for inspection if requested.

### **20 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please see Attachment A. For enquiries please contact [info@hongkongraceweek.com](mailto:info@hongkongraceweek.com).

## Attachment A Additional Information

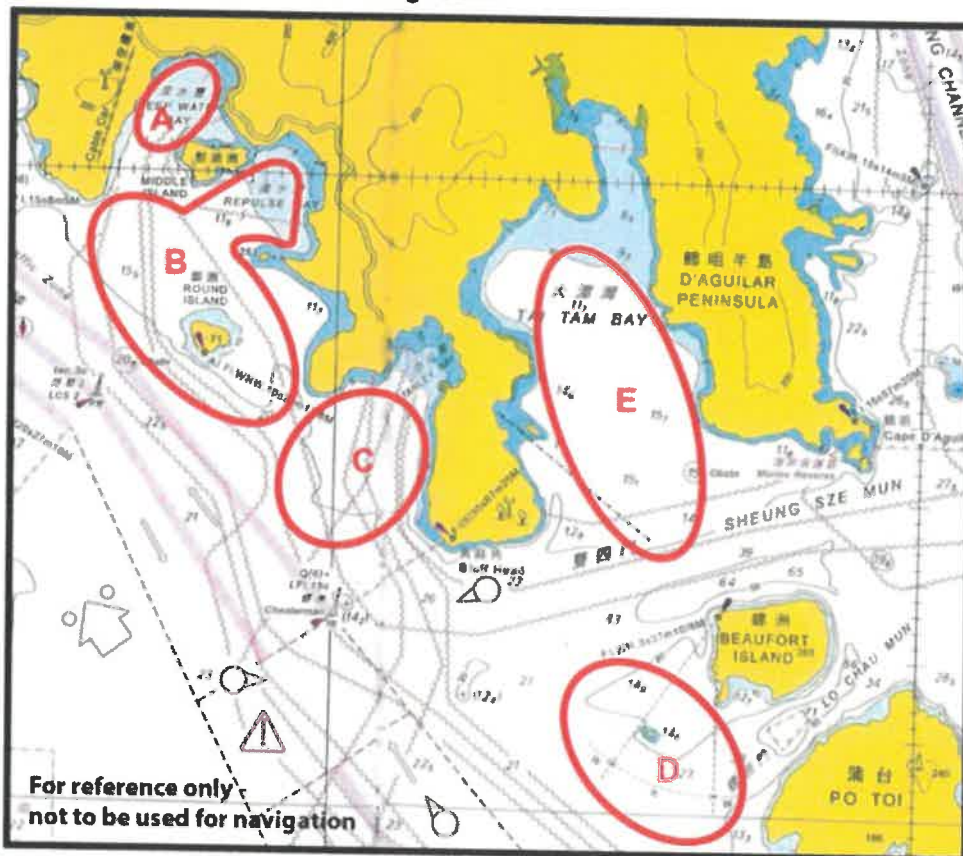
### 1. Regatta Venue



RHKYC Middle Island

For details, please visit <http://www.rhkyc.org.hk/Our3Clubhouses.aspx>.

### 2. Approximate Location of Racing Areas



### 3. Accommodation

For details of special regatta hotel rates, please check [www.hongkongraceweek.com](http://www.hongkongraceweek.com).

### 4. Transportation

For details of the public transport options to the RHKYC Middle Island clubhouse, please visit <http://www.rhkyc.org.hk/MiddleIsland.aspx>

### 5. Charter Boats

Charter boats, boards and coach boats are available. Information will be published on [www.hongkongraceweek.com](http://www.hongkongraceweek.com). If you are considering shipping your own boats to HK, please contact [info@hongkongraceweek.com](mailto:info@hongkongraceweek.com) as soon as possible.

### 6. Boat Park Arrival

For non-Middle Island based boats, please contact [info@hongkongraceweek.com](mailto:info@hongkongraceweek.com) prior to 23 January 2020 to book your arrival slot.