

Samsung 60th Festival of Sport Open Dinghy Regatta

Saturday 22 – Sunday 23 April 2017

Organised by the Hong Kong Sailing Federation (HKSF)

The Festival of Sport Open Dinghy Regatta has been a cornerstone event for HKSF. In 2016, the regatta drew a record number of 100 competitors from different dinghy classes including Optimists, Lasers, 29ers, 420s, 470s, Access 303 and the 2.4mR.

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) (2017-2020), including the HKSF prescriptions.
- 1.2 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for RRS 42, will apply.
- 1.3 Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) in good serviceable condition shall be worn at all times whilst on the water.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display bow numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.
- 2.2 Boats intending to display advertising on their hulls, sails and/or spars shall supply a copy of their national authority license to the race committee prior to the first race sailed.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all classes of monohull centerboard dinghy and sailors with an affiliation to an association or club recognised by HKSF.
- 3.2 Subject to entries, the eligible classes are as follows:

Open Dinghy Divisions I:	PY smaller than or equal to 1184
Open Dinghy Division II:	PY larger than or equal to 1185
Laser Dinghy Division:	Laser Standard, Radial, 4.7
Level Class Racing:	Optimist
Age Limit for Optimists:	Born 2002 or later

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- 3.3 Entries shall be made by completing the online form on the event page on the HKSF website (www.sailing.org.hk) accompanied by the entry fee, no later than **Thursday, 13 April 2017**.
- 3.4 Late entries may be accepted at the sole discretion of the race committee, up until **Thursday 20 April 2017** in which case a 100% additional premium on the entry fee may be levied.
- 3.5 The entry fee per boat is HK\$200 per single person boat and \$300 per multiple person boat. No entry will be accepted at the regatta venue.

4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 The schedule is as follows:

Saturday 22nd April Racing, first warning signal: **1055 hrs**

Sunday 23rd April Racing, first warning signal: **1055 hrs**

- 4.2 Three races are intended for each day with a maximum of six races in the regatta. The starts for each day's subsequent races will follow as soon as possible after completion of the previous race. Boats should not leave the racing area until they have been advised by the race committee that there will be no further races on the day.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on Tuesday 18 April 2017 on the HKSF website (www.sailing.org.hk).

6 VENUE

- 6.1 The regatta venue will be the Hebe Haven Yacht Club, Sai Kung, Hong Kong.
- 6.2 The venue will be open from 0900 to 1700 hrs on 22 April 2017 and 23 April 2017.
- 6.3 Racing will take place in Port Shelter (Ngau Mei Hoi) waters, normally to the north and west of Shelter Island (Ngau Mei Chau), but, if necessary to ensure good and fair racing, the race area may be transferred to the south and east of the Island.

9 THE COURSES

- 9.1 Courses to be sailed will be trapezoids and will be described in the Samsung 60th Festival of Sport Open Dinghy Regatta Sailing Instructions.

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10 SCORING

10.1 **Three** races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

10.2 For the Open and Laser Dinghy divisions, race results will be calculated on the basis of a boat's corrected time derived from her actual elapsed time and the Portsmouth Yardstick numbers as published by the HKSF for each class of competing dinghy prior to the event. For the Level Class racing, a boat's result will be her finishing place over the finish line.

10.3 (a) When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series scores will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(b) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

11 PRIZES

11.1 Prizes will be presented to the first, second and third boats in series points in each of the Open Dinghy, Laser Dinghy division and the Level Class Racing classes.

11.2 In addition, and subject to entries, other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the race committee.

12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing 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 regatta.

13 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

14 FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information may be available from the HKSF Secretariat (attention: Mr. Hei Cheng, Tel. No. 2504 8159 or at email address: admin@sailing.org.hk).

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