

A constituent event of the ASAF Youth Sailing Cup



Venue: RHKYC Middle Island Clubhouse, Hong Kong



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NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* 2017 2020 (RRS).
- 1.2 The Notice of Series for the ASAF Youth Sailing Cup 2016 17 will apply except as amended by this Notice of Race (NOR).
- 1.3 The HKSF Prescriptions current as of 14 February 2017 will apply. The Prescriptions will be available at www.sailing.org.hk.
- 1.4 RRS Appendix P, *Special Procedures for RRS 42*, will apply.
- 1.5 When Medal Races are held, the version of World Sailing Addendum Q, Umpired Fleet Racing, which is current as of 14 February 2017 will apply.
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.7 This event is designated a Clean Regatta by the Sailors for the Sea Organization, a nonprofit organization that educates and empowers boaters to protect and restore our oceans and coastal waters. Our goal is Bronze Level.

2 ADVERTISING

- 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 bow numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.
- 2.3 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. The 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	Laser 4.7
Laser Radial	Optimist
Optimist Green	RS:X Youth
RS:One	Techno 293

- 3.2 Further 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 2016 17 Notice of Series.
- 3.3 Other classes may be considered by making a request to the organising authority (minimum of 10 boats).



- 3.4 Eligible boats shall enter by completing the online form at <u>www.hongkongraceweek.com</u> and paying the required fee by 14 December 2016 (Early Bird) or by 13 January 2017 (Regular). A completed Declaration Form shall be submitted for each boat by the finish of Sailor Registration as per NOR 6.1.
- 3.5 Late entries (if approved) will be charged a 30% penalty to the Regular Fee. No entries will be accepted after 4 February 2017.
- 3.6 The organising authority reserves the right to place a cap on the number of entries in each class.
- 3.7 The organising authority will send each entrant an acceptance email to confirm their entry.
- 3.8 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.
- 3.9 All coaches shall register with the organising authority by completing the online form at <u>www.hongkongraceweek.com</u> and paying the required fee by 13 January 2017. Late registrations will be charged a 30% penalty. No registrations will be accepted after 4 February 2017.
- 3.10 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:
 - a) 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
 - b) allow the boat to sail, but its results may be subject to a penalty at the discretion of the International Jury.

4 FEES

4.1 The entry fees are as follows:

Class	Early Bird Fee Entry & payment by midnight (HK time) on 14 December 2016	Regular Fee Entry & payment from 15 December 2016 to midnight (HK time) on 13 January 2017
Singlehanded	HK\$475	HK\$600
Doublehanded	HK\$800	HK\$1000
Optimist Green Fleet	HK\$240	HK\$300

- 4.2 The coach registration fee is HK\$250 per person payable by 13 January 2017.
- 4.3 Entry fees will not be refundable after 4 February 2017.

5 FORMAT

- 5.1 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.
- 5.2 For any of the ASAF Youth Sailing Cup classes where there are a minimum of 15 eligible entrants from at least 5 MNAs, a Medal Race may be run for the top 10 sailors



in the class. Other Medal Races may be held at the organiser's discretion, depending on the size of the entry. Medal Races will be confirmed before the start of racing.

5.3 There will be a Main Fleet and a Green Fleet for the Optimist class. The Green Fleet is an introductory fleet for less experienced sailors and will include opportunities for learning and competition. For the Green Fleet, the regatta will consist of a single series run on 18 & 19 February 2017. 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. Optimist sailors who are looking for a more competitive environment should consider racing in the Main Fleet.

6 SCHEDULE

6.1 The regatta schedule will be:

Early Bird Entry	until 14 December 2016	
Regular Entry	15 December 2016 - 13 January 2017	
Coach Registration	until 13 January 2017	
Late Entry/Late Coach Registration	14 January - 4 February 2017	
Declaration Form Submission Coach/Support Boat Registration	until 4 February 2017	
Measurement and Inspection Sailor Registration (requires Declaration Form, Measurement Form, & proof of insurance as needed) Coach & Coach/Support Boat Accreditation Collection	14 & 15 February 2017 (1000 - 1730hrs)	
Practice Race: All classes (except Optimist Green Fleet)	15 February 2017	
Dates of Racing: All classes (except Optimist Green Fleet) Optimist Green Fleet	16 - 19 February 2017 18 & 19 February 2017	
Prize Giving	19 February 2017 (after racing)	

- 6.2 Number of races:
 - (a) For all classes except the Optimist Green Fleet, there will be a maximum of 12 races with a target of 3 races per day. The last race of the series may be a Medal Race depending on entries and at the organiser's discretion (see NOR 5.2).
 - (b) For the Optimist Green Fleet, there will be a target of 4 races each day. The Green Fleet Race Committee may adjust this target to suit the conditions and the ability of the Green Fleet.



6.3 The scheduled time of the earliest warning signal is:

	Classes	Date	Earliest Warning Signal
Practice race	All (except Optimist Green Fleet)	15 February 2017	1355hrs
First race	All (except Optimist Green Fleet)	16 & 17 February 2017	0955hrs
First race each day	All	18 & 19 February 2017	0955hrs

- 6.4 Details of the class/fleet race areas and schedule will be published in the sailing instructions (SIs).
- 6.5 No warning signal will be made after 1530hrs on 19 February 2017 unless posted by 2000hrs on 18 February 2017. In the case of one or more general recalls when the initial warning signal was made prior to 1530hrs, the race committee may display subsequent warning signals after that time. This exception will not apply for a race that is postponed or abandoned.

7 MEASUREMENTS

7.1 Boats shall comply with their class rules and shall be available for measurement and inspection on 14 and 15 February 2017. Boats may be measured and inspected at any time during the regatta.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1 The SIs will be available at registration and on the event website at <u>www.hongkongraceweek.com</u>.

9 VENUE

9.1 Racing will take place in any of the Middle Island/Repulse Bay/Deep Water Bay/Stanley/Tai Tam areas, as decided on the day by the race committee.

10 THE COURSES

10.1 The courses to be sailed will be windward/leeward or trapezoid courses.

11 INTERNATIONAL JURY and PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1 An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b). Its decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.
- 11.2 For the 29er class RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

12 SCORING

- 12.1 The Low Points system of RRS Appendix A shall apply to all races and shall be amended in the SIs to account for the Medal Races and to allow discards.
- 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 2016 17 Notice of Series.



13 SUPPORT BOATS

- 13.1 Coach/support boats must be registered with the organising authority prior to acting as a coach/support boat. Coach/support boats shall be registered by completion of the online form at <u>www.hongkongraceweek.com</u> by 4 February 2017. Coach/support boat accreditation shall be collected from the organising authority on 14 or 15 February 2017 between 1000 and 1730hrs.
- 13.2 Coach/support boats shall be clearly marked with the nationality of the boats they are supporting on the engine cowling, or in some other prominent position at all times.
- 13.3 All registered coach/support boats must carry on board and operate while on the water 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.
- 13.4 All coaches shall register with the organizing authority in accordance with NOR 3.9.

14 BERTHING

14.1 Boats, including coach/support boats, shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the boat park/dock.

15 PRIZES

15.1 The number of prizes to be awarded in each class 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 MEDIA & IMAGE RIGHT WAIVER

16.1 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 2016 - 17 Notice of Series shall also apply.

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 17.1 Yacht racing can be dangerous. The attention of owners and skipper is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone" and to Special Regulation 1.02 (first point) which begins "The safety of a yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Person-in-charge..."
- 17.2 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.
- 17.3 Owners and skippers are invited to co-operate closely with the organising authority and the race committee in completing the formalities of their regatta entry required by this NOR. It is the sole responsibility of the owners and/or skippers to comply with the



deadline date and failure to do so in respect of any aspect will be treated as a failure to enter the event (see NOR 3.4 and 3.5).

18 INSURANCE

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

19 FURTHER INFORMATION

19.1 For further information please see Attachment A and contact info@hongkongraceweek.com.



Attachment A Additional Information

- Ministry
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- A. Regatta Venue

For details of the RHKYC Middle Island Clubhouse, please visit <u>http://www.rhkyc.org.hk/Our3Clubhouses.aspx</u>

B. Accommodation

For details of HKRW regatta hotel rates, please contact info@hongkongraceweek.com.

C. Transportation

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

D. Charter Boats

Charter boats, boards and coach boats are available. Information will be published on <u>www.hongkongraceweek.com</u>. If you are considering shipping your own boats to HK, please contact <u>info@hongkongraceweek.com</u> as soon as possible.