

HKODA SPRING SELECTION REGATTA 2024

Feeder System Scheme – Optimist Selection Trials

16 & 17 March 2024

Hebe Haven Yacht Club (HHYC), Hong Kong

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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(a) and (b).

For the notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR, refer to the Racing Rules of Sailing - Introduction - Notation.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 The HKSF Prescriptions will apply and are available at www.sailing.org.hk.
- 1.3 RRS Appendix P, *Special Procedures for Rule 42*, will apply but changed as follows: P2.2 will apply to second and all subsequent penalties. P2.3 is deleted.
- 1.4 RRS Appendix G3, *Chartered or Loaned Boats*, will apply.
- 1.5 RRS Appendix T, *Arbitration*, will apply.
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.7 [NP][DP] RRS 40.1 applies at all times whilst afloat.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions (SIs) will be published in advance on the online official notice board.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/0GhIGg4gCa/#notice-board>.
- 3.2 [NP][DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to Optimist boats in the following fleets: Intermediate & Main Fleets.
- 4.2 HK based competitors must be members of the Hong Kong Optimist Dinghy Association (HKODA). Other competitors must be members of their national IODA affiliated Optimist dinghy or sailing association.
- 4.3 Competitors shall have been born in 2009 or later.
- 4.4 Eligible competitors may enter by completing the entry form at <https://theclubspot.com/register/regatta/0GhIGg4gCa/class> and sending the required fee to HKODA by 8 March 2024. If payment is made after this date, the late entry fee will apply.
- 4.5 Competitors may cancel their entry and receive a 90% refund by emailing secretary@hkoda.org by 8 March 2024. The entry fee will not be refunded after 9 March 2024.
- 4.6 Late entries received after 8 March 2024 will be accepted at the sole discretion of the HKODA and will be subject to the late entry fee. No entry will be accepted after 13 March 2024.
- 4.7 The event is for sailors with racing experience. Competitors shall enter either the Main or Intermediate Fleet. See the HKODA 'Fleet Outline - Main vs Intermediate' document at <https://www.hkoda.org/documents/>.
- 4.8 Less experienced sailors should enter the Green Fleet Camp. The NoR for this separate event is available at <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/u65hqJASf6/#notice-board>.

4.9 Competitors may switch between the Intermediate and Main Fleets and Green Fleet Camp before 1800hrs on 15 March 2024.

4.10 [NP] Allocation of any competitor to the Intermediate or Main Fleet or Green Fleet Camp is subject to the approval of HKODA and may only be varied during the event by the race committee.

5. FEES

5.1 The entry fee is HK\$650.

5.2 The late entry fee is HK\$800.

6. ADVERTISING

[DP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.

7. FORMAT

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

8. SCHEDULE

8.1 The regatta schedule will be:

Saturday 16 March	0800 - 0830hrs	Club Reps check in & collect safety tags at Event Office at HHYC
	0900hrs	Coaches' Briefing in Event Tent @ HHYC
	1125hrs	First Warning Signal Main Fleet - Target 3 races Intermediate Fleet - Target 3 races
Sunday 17 March	0830hrs	Coaches' Briefing in Event Tent @ HHYC
	1025hrs	First Warning Signal Main Fleet - Target 3 races Intermediate Fleet - Target 3 races

8.2 A maximum of 6 races are scheduled for the Main Fleet and 6 races for the Intermediate Fleet.

8.3 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1600hrs.

9. MEASUREMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION [NP][DP]

9.1 Only one hull, daggerboard, rudder (with tiller and extension), mast, boom, sprit and sail shall be used during the event. Equipment shall only be replaced with the written permission of the race committee.

9.2 Boats may be measured and equipment inspected at any time during the event.

10. VENUE

The event office will be in event tent at HHYC and racing will take place in Port Shelter.

11. COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be Optimist Worlds or windward/leeward courses as described in the SIs.

12. SCORING

- 12.1 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.2 When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 12.3 When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 12.4 Boats reallocated by the race committee during the event (NoR 4.10) shall be scored average points for those races already completed by their new fleet.

13. SUPPORT BOATS [NP][DP]

- 13.1 Support person vessels shall comply with local legislation.
- 13.2 All support boat personnel shall wear life jackets while afloat and the driver shall attach the boat's kill cord while driving.
- 13.3 All support person vessels 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.

14. BERTHING [NP][DP]

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the boat park.

15. PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top three sailors in each of the Main and Intermediate Fleets.
- 15.2 Prizes will also be awarded to the top three '10 and under' sailors (born in 2014 or later) and the top three '12 and under' sailors (born in 2012 or 2013) in the Main and Intermediate Fleets (combined).
- 15.3 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority.

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority, co-organizers, sponsors and volunteers 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. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of HK\$1,000,000 per incident or the equivalent. Proof of insurance shall be available for inspection if requested.

18. PHOTOGRAPHY CONSENT

By entering the event competitors accept that they may be photographed and/or videotaped participating in the racing and/or using the Championship facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and republication of such images in any media, in

conjunction with the competitor's name or not, without compensation and without the competitor's approval of such images or any use thereof.

19. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please visit <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/0GhIGg4gCa> or contact the HKODA by e-mail to secretary@hkoda.org.