

# 18 to 20 February 2022

# Organised by The Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club

# Middle Island, Hong Kong

# 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 RRS 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 current as of 18 February 2022 will apply. The Prescriptions will be available at <u>www.sailing.org.hk</u>.
- 1.3 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply.
- 1.4 RRS Appendix T, *Arbitration*, will apply.
- 1.5 [NP][DP] RRS 40.1 applies at all times whilst afloat. The personal flotation device shall be adequate for the conditions.
- 1.6 The 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. See also RRS 47.
- 1.7 [NP][DP] Competitors shall comply with any HKSAR Government Covid-19 regulations and RHKYC Covid-19 precautions in place at the time of the event. RHKYC Covid-19 precautions will be posted on the online official notice board.

#### 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available after 10 February 2022 at <u>https://www.rhkyc.org.hk/SailHongKong.aspx</u>

## 3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at https://www.rhkyc.org.hk/SailHongKong.aspx
- 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 all boats in the following classes/fleets:

2.4mR	420
RS Feva	29er
ILCA 4	ILCA 6
Optimist Intermediate Fleet	Optimist Main Fleet

4.2 Other classes may be considered by making a request to the organising authority (minimum of 10 boats).

#### 4.3 **Optimist Intermediate and Main Fleets:**

- 4.3.1 Sailors shall have been born in 2007 or later.
- 4.3.2 Guidance notes on the Optimist Intermediate Fleet (Fleet Outline Main vs. Intermediate) are available at <a href="https://www.hkoda.org/documents/">https://www.hkoda.org/documents/</a>
- 4.3.3 [NP] Allocation of any competitor to the Optimist Intermediate or Main Fleets is subject to the approval of the organising authority. The race committee may reallocate sailors between the Optimist Intermediate and Main Fleets during the event at their discretion.
- 4.4 Eligible boats shall enter by completing the online form <u>https://www.rhkyc.org.hk/SailHongKong.aspx</u> and paying the required fee by 28 January 2022.
- 4.5 Entry fees will not be refundable after 28 January 2022 except if the event is cancelled by the organising authority or if the withdrawal of an entry is accepted by the organising authority (at its sole discretion) based on a credible justification arising from a Covid-19 pandemic situation.
- 4.6 The organising authority reserves the right to place a cap on the number of entries.
- 4.7 The organising authority will send each entrant an acceptance email to confirm his or her entry.
- 4.8 The race committee, acting under RRS 76.1, may cancel the entry of any boat depending on the prevailing or forecast weather or sea conditions.
- 4.9 Registration in accordance with the event schedule (NoR 8.1) is mandatory. If a boat fails to register in accordance with this 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) [DP] allow the boat to sail, but its results may be subject to a penalty at the discretion of the protest committee.

#### 5 FEES

Entry fees are:

	Entry Fee Entry & payment by midnight (HK time) on 28 January 2022
Singlehanded Entry	HK\$650
Doublehanded Entry	HK\$970

## 6 ADVERTISING

[NP][DP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

## 7 FORMAT OF RACING

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

## 8 SCHEDULE

8.1 The schedule will be:

Online Registration & Measurement Form Submission (available at <u>https://www.rhkyc.org.hk/SailHongKong.aspx</u> )	By midnight (HK time) on 7 February 2022	
Safety Tag Collection by Team Leaders	18 February 2022 (0800 - 0830hrs)	
Racing	18, 19 & 20 February 2022	
	First warning signal 1055hrs	

#### 8.2 Number of races:

Class/Fleet	Maximum # of races	Target # of races per day
2.4mR, 420, ILCA 4, ILCA 6, RS Feva, Optimist Main & Intermediate	9	3 - 4
29er	12	4

- 8.3 On the last scheduled day of racing 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.
- 8.4 Prizegivings, if allowed under Covid-19 regulations, will be held after the completion of racing on 20 February 2022.

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

- 9.1 Boats shall submit their online Registration & Measurement Form (available at <u>https://www.rhkyc.org.hk/SailHongKong.aspx</u>) by midnight (HK time) on 7 February 2022.
- 9.2 Boats may be measured and equipment inspected at any time during the event.

#### 10 VENUE

The event will be based at the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club's Middle Island club house with racing taking place in Repulse Bay, Deep Water Bay, Stanley Bay, Beaufort Island/Po Toi Islands or Tai Tam Bay (see Attachment A).

#### 11 COURSES

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

#### 12 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.1 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.
- 12.2 For all classes/divisions RRS P2.3 will not apply and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.

## 13 SCORING

- 13.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A, as amended by the SIs, shall apply to all races.
- 13.2 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 13.3 (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
  - (b) When from five to six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
  - (c) When seven or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

#### 14 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS & PERSONNEL

- 14.1 Support person vessels shall comply with local legislation and event/class support person vessel regulations.
- 14.2 [NP][DP] Coaches and other personnel on support person vessels shall wear life jackets while afloat and comply with local legislation. The driver shall attach the "kill cord" of the support person vessel to their person while driving.
- 14.3 [NP][DP] 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 shall agree to assist the race committee if directed to do so.

## 15 [NP][DP] BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the RHKYC Middle Island boat park/dock. Aberdeen Boat Club (ABC) boats may be kept in the boat park at the ABC Middle Island facility.

## 16 PRIZES

16.1 For all classes, fleets and divisions, 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 Prizes will also be awarded to the top three 10 year and under sailors (born in 2012 or later) and the top three 12 year and under sailors (born in 2010 or 2011) in the Optimist Main and Intermediate Fleets (combined).
- 16.3 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority.

## 17 MEDIA & IMAGE RIGHT WAIVER

By entering this event, 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.

## 18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The organising authority, the sponsors, 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

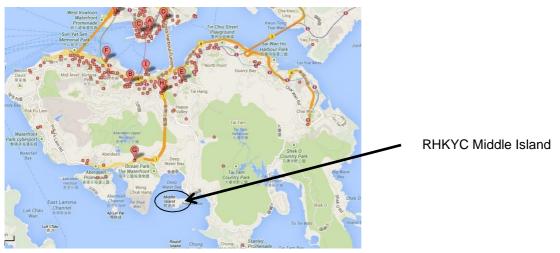
Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 HKD per incident or the equivalent. Proof of insurance shall be available for inspection if requested.

#### 20 FURTHER INFORMATION

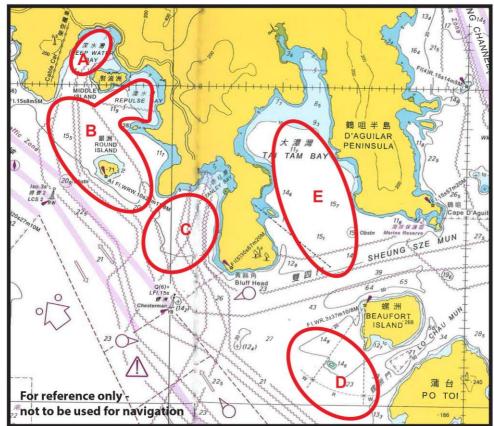
For further information please see Attachment A. For enquiries please contact <u>Nikki.Claringbold@rhkyc.org.hk</u>.

## Attachment A Additional Information

1. Event Venue



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



2. Approximate Location of Racing Areas

# 3. RHKYC Boat Park Arrival

For non-Middle Island based boats taking part in the Middle Island Open, please contact Jono.Rankine@rhkyc.org.hk by 28 January 2022 to book your arrival slot.