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NOTICE OF RACE

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ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

Hong Kong's 2nd South East Asian Para Sailing Championship is organized by the Sailing Federation of Hong Kong, China, Subvented by the Culture Sports and Tourism Bureau, co-organised by Sailability Hong Kong Limited (SHKL) and supported by the Leisure & Cultural Services Department (LCSD), Asian Sailing Federation(ASAF), Hebe Haven Yacht Club (HHYC) and in conjunction with World Sailing (WS).

1. RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing. HKSF prescriptions will apply.1.2 The following rules shall apply:

- a. The International 2.4mR class rules
- b. The International Hansa 303 class rules
- c. The International Liberty class rules

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 The sailing instructions will be available on or before 15th March 2024 and will be posted on the official notice board online www.sailability.org.hk

3. ADVERTISING

3.1 The World Sailing Advertising Codes apply.

3.2 Competitors may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

3.3 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the Organizing Authority. Information from this equipment shall not be used by a boat as evidence in a hearing. This changes rule 63.6.

4. VENUE

4.1 Sailing will be held in the vicinity of Port Shelter 22' 20N - 114' 16 E.

4.2 The host club is Hebe Haven Yacht Club. See Appendix A.

5. ELEGIBILITY and ENTRY

5.1 The regatta is open to:

- a. 2.4mR Class
- b. Hansa 303 Class (Double or single handed)
- c. Hansa Liberty

Because of the limited availability of boats, the Hansa 303 class crews may be double or single handed. The Hansa Liberty and 2.4mR will be singlehanded. Competitors may bring their own boats if they so desire. If so, transportation costs and insurance are to be borne by the owners of the shipped boats; in which case the number of participants may increase. Where Nations are unable to bring their own boats, it is intended that boats will be supplied by the Organizing Authority.

5.2 For those Nations unable to bring their own boats, the organizers will allocate boats following the Skippers' briefing on 27th March, 2024. Such allocation will be undertaken by 'draw' with a different nation (other than the host nation) carrying this out together with a representative of the organizing authority.

5.3. All participants shall be current members of their National Class Association or members of the International Class Association.

5.4. As an 'Open' Event, the Championship has been arranged on the basis that it is an inclusive event and therefore entries from those having a disability or otherwise are equally acceptable and encouraged; save that entries will be acceptable on a first come first served basis.

6. WORLD SAILING FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION

6.1 Disabled sailors shall have valid International Classification under the current World Sailing Functional Classification System.

6.2 A classification medical visit may be performed in Hong Kong prior to the event.

6.3 Minimal disability criteria will apply to all boats.

6.4 Protests regarding classification may be filed not later than "first appearance."

7. FEES

7.1 Entry fees are as follows:

- 2.4mR HK\$280
- Hansa 303 HK\$280 singlehanded or HK\$475 Double handed
- Hansa Liberty HK\$280

7.2 Other fees:

Coach/Assistant/Supporter entry fee per person HK\$250.

7.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and submitting it, together with the required fee by 10th March 2024.

7.4 Competitors and coaches shall notify the organizing authority, Sailability Hong Kong Limited, of their intention to join by emailing kay@sailability.org.hk, whereby an entry form and payment instructions will be forwarded by return.

7.5 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees by 10th March 2024.

7.6 Late entries or late payment will be accepted with an additional late entry fee of HK\$200. No entry will be accepted after 1200hrs on Friday 15th March 2024, unless dispensation is granted by the Organising Authority.

8. ENTRY

8.1 Competitors and coaches shall notify the organizing authority, Sailability Hong Kong Limited, of their intention to join by emailing kay@sailability.org.hk, whereby an entry form and payment instructions will be forwarded by return.

8.2 Competitors registration is subject to:

- a. entry fee receipt
- b. ID or passport
- c. valid third-party liability insurance accreditation document in English.

8.3 Competitors are required to provide their own sails duly certified and measured by a class representative. This may be verified by the organizing authority. The organizing authority may provide sails if required and an application for organizer provided sails is made before 15th March, 2024.

8.4 Coach/Assistant/Supporter registration is subject to:

- a) Entry fee receipt
- b) Valid third-party liability insurance accreditation document in English.

9. SCHEDULE

9.1 Equipment inspection and event measurement:

Sail measurement checks will take place at the Hebe Haven Yacht Club on Wednesday 27th March 2024, 0900hrs to 1100hrs.

9.2 Registration

Registration will take place at Hebe Haven Yacht Club, 27th March on 0900hrs to 1100hrs.

9.3 Skippers' briefing

The briefing will be conducted in English, open to all competitors and mandatory for coaches and assistants, 27th March at 1130hrs. The draw for boats will take place after the Skippers' Briefing.

NB: One practice race will be conducted during Thursday morning (28th March), 1st warning signal 0955hrs. This race will take place before the official race start on that day – see below for official race start time.

Dates of racing:

Date	Race	First warning signal of the day
Thursday 28th March	Practice race Racing. 2 races.	0955hrs 1155hrs
Friday 29th March	Racing. 3 races.	0955hrs
Saturday 30th March	Racing. 3 races.	0955hrs
Sunday 31st March	Racing. 1 race.	0955hrs

10. THE COURSES

10.1 The course to be sailed will be windward/ leeward and/or trapezoid configuration.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

12. SCORING

12.1 Nine (9) races are scheduled.

12.2 Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series and the championship.

12.3 For the Hansa 303 class, the PY will be used to determine final placings due to there being both single handed and doubled handed competitors taking part.

13 SUPPORT BOATS

13.1 Support boats may be available and provided free of charge **upon request on a shared nation basis**. Support person vessels shall be marked with the relevant national letters (min. size 200mm) on both sides of the hull. Such boats shall only be driven by a registered Hong Kong PVOL driver.

13.2 The sailing instructions may contain restrictions on the activity of the support boats.

14. LAUNCHING, BERTHING AND HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

14.1 A crane will be available before and after the regatta and will be located on the HHYC hard-standing area.

14.2 All 2.4mRs and Hansa Libertys must be afloat by 17.00 hours on Wednesday 27th March 2024.

14.3 Boats including coach/support boats shall be kept in the assigned places in the HHYC docking area

14.4 Instructions from the crane manager and Organizing Authority shall be fully observed.

14.5 2.4mR and Hansa Liberty shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with written permission of the Organizing Authority.

15. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

15.1 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.

16. PRIZES

16.1 The overall winner in each class will be awarded the title of 2024 Hong Kong South East Asian Inclusive Sailing Champion (2.4mR, Hansa Liberty and Hansa 303 as appropriate).

16.2 Prizes will be presented 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed boats in each class.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

17.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 3, Decision to Race. The Organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damaged or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.

18. INSURANCE

18.1 Each participant shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of HK\$1,500,000.00, or the equivalent in another currency.

18.2 Any Insurance must cover the racing of boats in HK waters, and be subject to HK maritime law and able to be collected in HK where equipment provided by the organizing authority is used.

19. ACCOMODATION

19.1 It is intended that accommodation in local hotels/hostels will be used for overseas competitors at their own cost. Competitors will be also advised of any recommended accommodation in the Sai Kung /Tsuen Kwan O areas.

20. CATERING

20.1 Hebe Haven Yacht Club has extensive catering facilities and there are numerous restaurants close by to the Club.

APPENDIX A

