

# 64<sup>th</sup> Festival of Sport Open Dinghy Regatta

Saturday 26 – Sunday 27 June 2021

Organised by the Hong Kong Sailing Federation (HKSF)  
Port Shelter, Sai Kung, Hong Kong

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

*The notation '[NP]' in a rule in the Sailing Instructions (SIs) 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).*

*The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SIs means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.*

### 1. RULES

**1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), including the HKSF Prescriptions.** 1.2 Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) in good serviceable condition shall be worn at all times whilst on the water.

### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the Garden Bar area of Hebe Haven Yacht Club (HHYC). Notices will also be posted on the HKSF website [www.sailing.org.hk](http://www.sailing.org.hk).

### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the SIs will be posted not later than 90 minutes prior to the published start time of the race that it applies to, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 hours on the day before it will take effect.

### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located at the HHYC clubhouse.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP. This changes RRS Race Signals.

4.3 Signals made ashore will also be posted on the HKSF Facebook page [www.facebook.com/hongkongsailingfederation](http://www.facebook.com/hongkongsailingfederation).

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## 5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Three races are intended for each class / division each day with a maximum of 6 races in the regatta. If more races than targeted are to be run on either day, the race committee vessel at the finishing line will display IC Flag L requiring finished boats to remain in the racing area.
- 5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is **1055** hours.
- 5.3 The warning signal for subsequent races will be as soon as practicable after the finish of the preceding race.
- 5.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 5.5 No warning signal will be made after 1530 hours on Sunday 27 June.
- 5.6 There will be a coaches briefing each day at 0915 at the Garden Bar of HHYC.

## 6. CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

<u>Division/Class</u>	<u>IC Flag</u>
Open Dinghy Division I (PY smaller than or equal to 1184)	D
Open Dinghy Division II (PY larger than or equal to 1185)	E
Laser 4.7	F
Laser Radial	J
Optimist	Q

## 7. RACING AREAS

- 7.1 The racing areas, as shown in Attachment A, are:

**Area 'Red'** Northwest of Shelter Island (Ngau Mei Chau); or

**Area 'Green'** Southeast of Shelter Island (Ngau Mei Chau)

- 7.2 The racing area will be selected each day and will be posted on ONB at least 60mins before the first race.

## 8. THE COURSES

The diagrams in **Attachments B-1 to B-3** show the courses, including the course designation, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

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## 9. MARKS

Marks are described in **Attachment B-1**.

## 10. THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made FIVE minutes before the starting signal.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks when they are both committee vessels or between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. [NP][DP]
- 10.4 A boat that does not start within four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

## 11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.

## 12. THE FINISH

- 12.1 For W/L Courses, the finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end finishing mark.
- 12.2 For Trapezoid Courses, the finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing mark at the port end and the course side of the starboard-end finishing mark.

## 13. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 13.1 The target time for each race will be 45 minutes except for Div 1, where the target time shall be 30 mins.
- 13.2 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat in her class (or the first boat with the same PY number in her division) sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A5.2.
- 13.3 Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## 14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 Protest forms are available at the race office located in the Garden Bar area of HHYC. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to there within the appropriate time limit.
- 14.2 For each class or division, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. For protests brought by the race committee, the time limit for that protest shall be 60 minutes after the last boat of the entire regatta for that day finishes or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

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- 14.3 Boats intending to protest shall inform the finishing boat by hailing immediately after finishing.
- 14.4 Notices will be posted no later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the race office as soon as possible after racing each day.
- 14.5 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 14.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 15 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2(a).

## 15. SCORING

- 15.1 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 For the Open Dinghy Divisions I and II, a boat's result will be calculated on the basis of her 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 regatta. For the Laser Radial, Laser 4.7 and Optimist classes, a boat's result will be her finishing place over the finishing line.
- 15.3 (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## 16. SAFETY REGULATIONS [NP][DP]

- 16.1 Sign-on and Sign-off: All competitors shall sign-on before racing and sign-off after racing at the race office in the Garden Bar area of HHYC each day. Alternatively, to facilitate competitors whose boats are not based at HHYC, team coaches may provide lists of their competitors who are sailing directly to and from the starting/finishing area as soon as they have departed from, and returned to, their home base respectively each day. Lists shall be delivered by hand, by text message or WhatsApp to **9607 9672**, or by email to **admin@sailing.org.hk**, by 1015 each morning (sign-on list) or within the protest time limit (sign-off list).
- 16.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

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## 17. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT [DP]

- 17.1 Substitution of crew or equipment will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 17.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## 18. SUPPORT BOATS [NP][DP]

- 18.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class/division to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 18.2 If the race committee displays IC Flag V, all support boats shall observe a listening watch on VHF 72 and may enter the race area to assist with safety support for any competitor. If assistance is provided, those competitors shall retire from that race. Coaches are requested to record those boats they provide assistance to and report it to the race committee via VHF 72 or verbally by approaching the committee boat at an appropriate time.

## 19. TRASH DISPOSAL [NP][DP]

All competitors are reminded of RRS 47. All trash must be taken back onshore after racing.

## 20. PRIZES

- 20.1 Prizes will be presented to the first and second boats in the Laser Radial, Laser 4.7 classes and the first, second and third boats in the Optimist classes and the Open Dinghy Divisions I and II. Prizes may be collected from the HKSF Office from 30 June.
- 20.2 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

## 21. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority, 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 regatta.

## 22. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance of at least the minimum cover required by HKSAR law.

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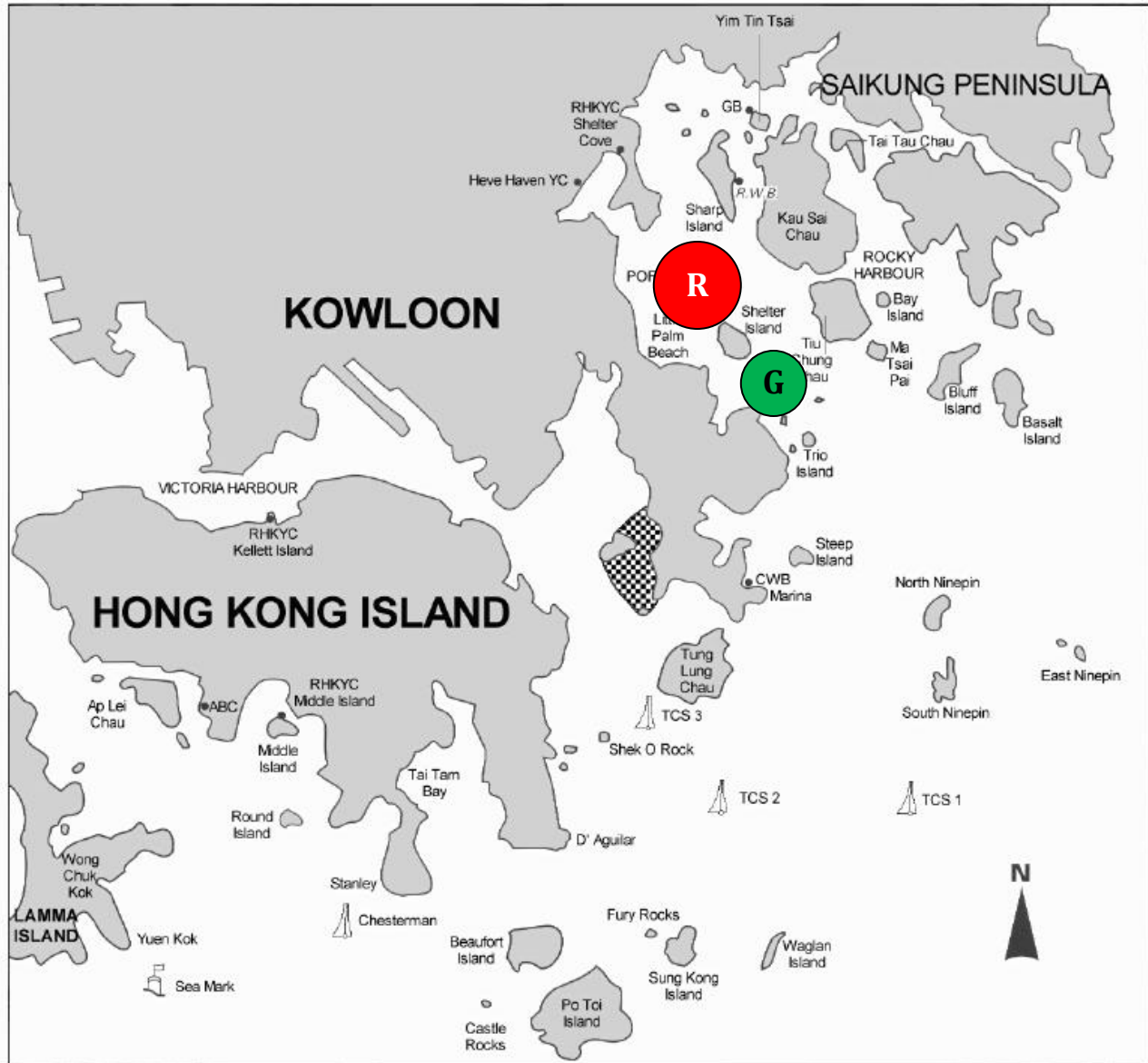
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**ATTACHMENT A: RACING AREAS**



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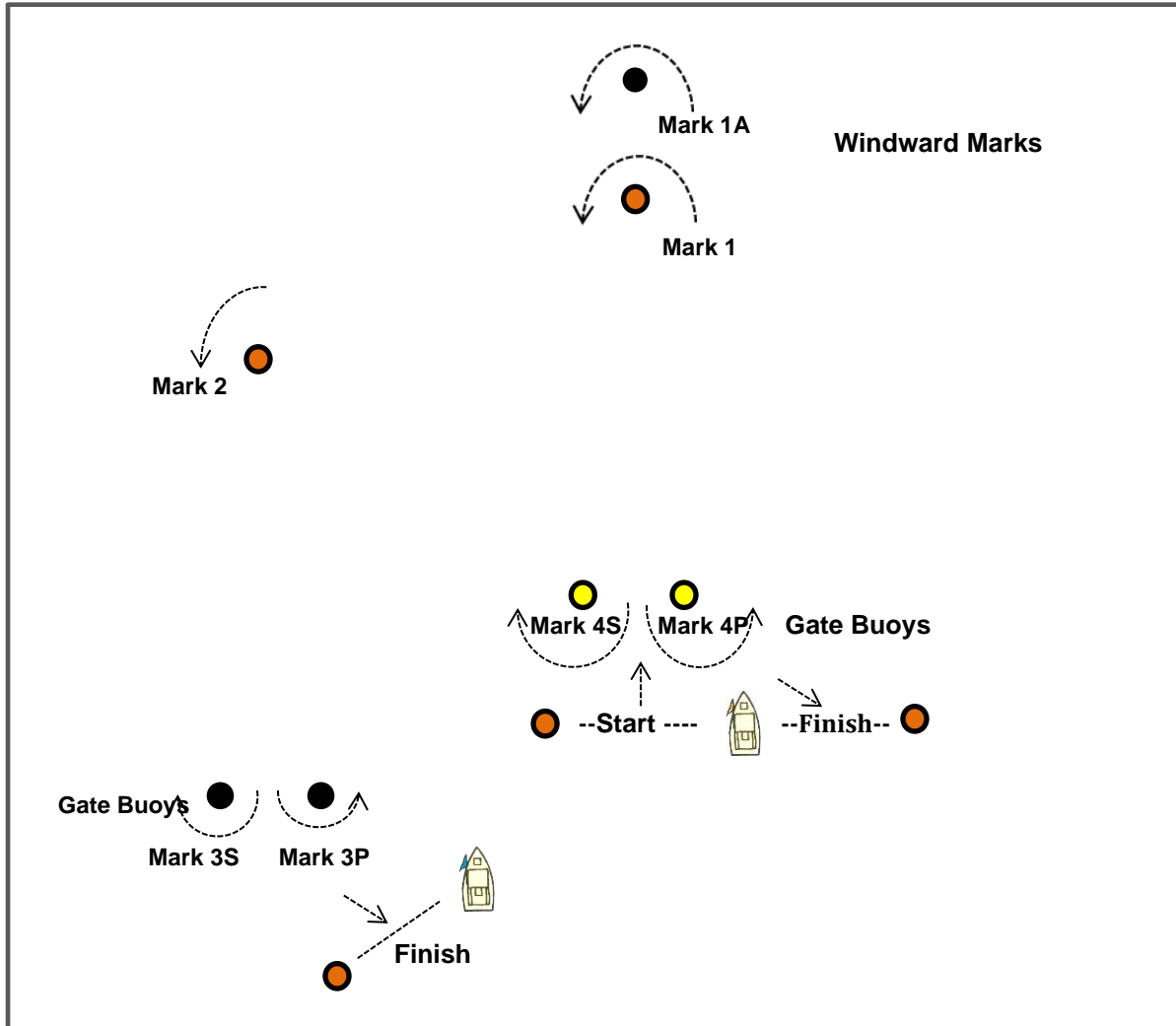


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**ATTACHMENT B-1:**

**GENERAL LAYOUT OF MARKS (Diagrammatic) AND NOTES**



- Marks 1 and 2 will be inflatable orange buoys which shall be rounded to port.
- Marks 1A, 3S and 3P will be inflatable black buoys. Marks 1A shall be rounded to port. At gate 3S/3P, boats shall pass between the marks and round either mark. Gate 3S/3P may be replaced by a single mark which shall be rounded to port.
- Marks 4S and 4P will be inflatable yellow buoys. At gate 4S/4P, boats shall pass between the marks and round either mark. Gate 4S/4P may be replaced by a single mark which shall be rounded to port.
- The starting line marks will be the race committee signal vessel at the starboard end of the line and either a race committee vessel or an inflatable orange buoy at the port end of the line.
- For W/L Courses, the finishing line marks will be an inflatable orange buoy at the port end of the line and a race committee vessel at the starboard end.
- For Trapezoid Courses, the finishing line marks will be an inflatable orange buoy at the starboard end of the line and a race committee vessel at the port end.

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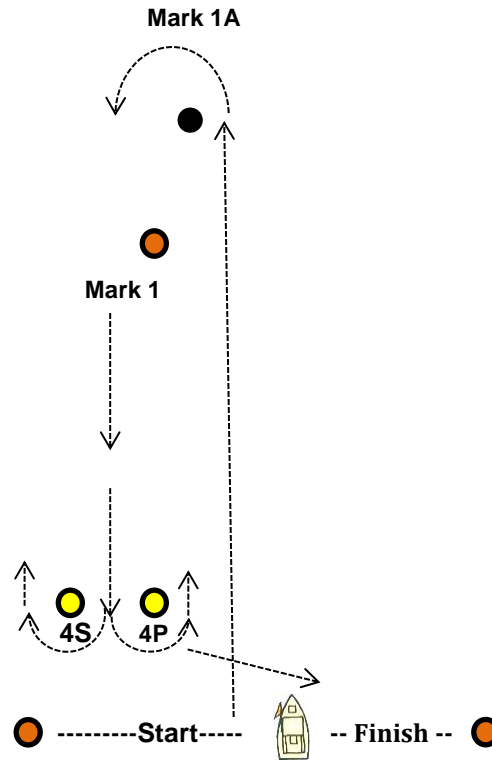
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**ATTACHMENT B-2: W/L COURSES**



<i>Course name</i>	<i>Order of mark rounding</i>
<b>L2</b>	Start – 1A – 4S/4P – 1A – 4P - Finish
<b>L3</b>	Start – 1A – 4S/4P – 1A – 4S/4P – 1A – 4P - Finish
<b>L4</b>	Start – 1A – 4S/4P – 1A – 4S/4P – 1A – 4S/4P – 1A – 4P - Finish

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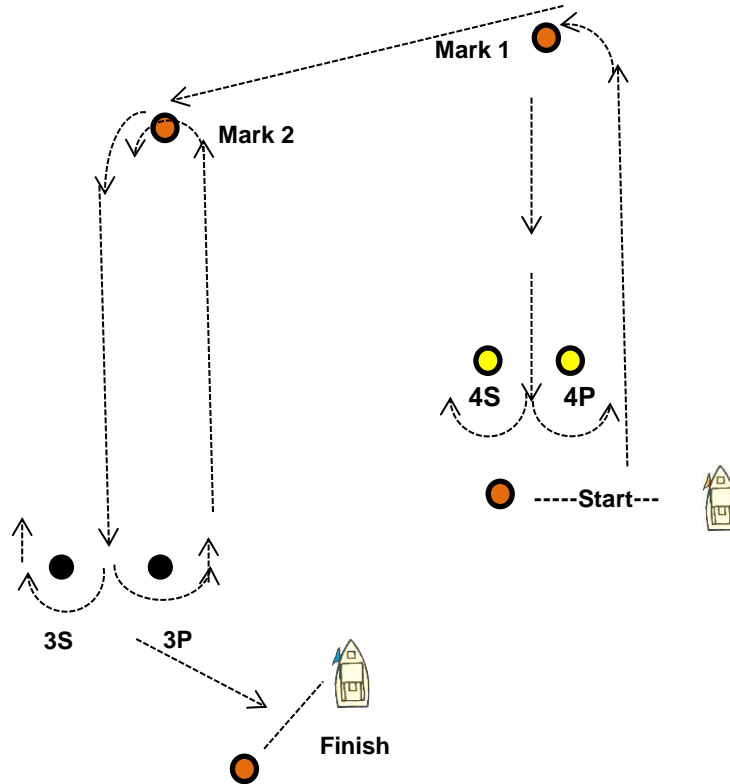


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## ATTACHMENT B-3: TRAPEZOID COURSES



Course name	Order of mark rounding
<b>01</b>	Start - 1 - 2 - 3P - Finish
<b>02</b>	Start - 1 - 2 - 3S/3P - 2 - 3P - Finish
<b>03</b>	Start - 1 - 2 - 3S/3P - 2 - 3S/3P - 2 - 3P - Finish
<b>04</b>	Start - 1 - 2 - 3S/3P - 2 - 3S/3P - 2 - 3S/3P - 2 - 3P - Finish
<b>12</b>	Start - 1 - 4S/4P - 1 - 2 - 3P - Finish
<b>13</b>	Start - 1 - 4S/4P - 1 - 4S/4P - 1 - 2 - 3P - Finish
<b>14</b>	Start - 1 - 4S/4P - 1 - 4S/4P - 1 - 4S/4P - 1 - 2 - 3P - Finish

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