

**HKSF SELECTION GUIDELINES  
FOR ALLOCATION OF LCSD FUNDING  
TO OPTIMISTS IN 2023**

31.5.2023

**1. Purpose**

1.1 For the purpose of promoting the development of local young sailors, HKSF has sought LCSD funding to:

- (a) subsidise eligible sailors to take part in Optimist international events specified in paragraph 2 below; and
- (b) organise training camps for the Optimist sailors.

**2. International Events**

2.1 The international events that HKSF will allocate LCSD funding to support eligible sailors taking part in the year 2023 are:

- (a) 2023 Optimist World Championship (15 – 25 June 2023, Costa Brave, Spain)
- (b) 2023 Optimist European Championship (15 – 22 July 2023, Thessaloniki, Greece)
- (c) 2023 Optimist Asian & Oceanian Championship (29 October – 5 November, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates)

**3. Eligibility**

3.1 To be eligible for receiving LCSD funding to take part in an Optimist international event, a sailor must:

- (a) be above the age of 10 years and under the age of 16 years in the year of such Optimist international event;
- (b) be a member of HKSF (if you are not a member yet, please apply for and be accepted for membership to HKSF prior to the event);
- (c) be an ordinary resident in Hong Kong and have resided in Hong Kong for a period of 7 years;
- (d) be eligible to represent Hong Kong in such Optimist international event;
- (e) be selected by Hong Kong Optimist Dinghy Association (HKODA) take part in such an Optimist international event.

3.2 The number of Optimist sailors receiving LCSD funding is limited as follows:

- (a) 5 sailors for 2023 Optimist World Championship
- (b) 4 sailors for 2023 Optimist European Championship
- (c) 10 sailors for 2023 Asian & Oceanian Championship

**4. Selection**

4.1 For the purpose of selection, HKSF will use the HKODA ranking and selection system as set out on the HKODA website: <https://www.hkoda.org/ranking/ioda-event-selection/>

An extract of the selection events for each international event is shown below:

	2023 Optimist World Championship	2023 Optimist European Championship	2023 Optimist Asian & Oceanian Championship
HKODA Open & National Championship 2022 (October 2022)	Y	Y	
ABC South Side Regatta (Dec 2022)	Y	Y	Y
HK Race Week (February 2023)	Y	Y	Y
HKODA 2023 Spring Selection Regatta (March 2023)	Y	Y	Y
HHYC Open Dinghy Regatta (May 2023)			Y

The overall HKODA ranking and selection for the international events will be based on the results of all the individual races in the relevant regattas. For every 4 races one result can be discarded.

4.2 The final selection of sailors receiving LCSD funding will need to be voted on and approved by the HKSF Council.

## 5. Training

5.1 Each funded sailor must fulfil the following training requirements:

- (a) 15 hours of training per week (at club level training)
- (b) Attend the training camps organized by JKSF or subsidized by LCSD funding

## 6. Funding

6.1 The amount of LCSD funding allocated to a selected sailor in respect of an international event will be based on the total number of selected sailors in such event, the amount granted by LCSD for such event, LCSD's limitation of the expenditure items and expenditure amount.

## 7. Suspension & Withdrawal

7.1 HKSF reserves the right to suspend or terminate a sailor's entitlement to LCSD funding, and to withdraw or not to endorse the entry of a sailor in an international event if such sailor commits any of the following acts:

- (a) gross misconduct in a local or overseas event;

- (b) a criminal act;
- (c) a breach of the anti-doping rules;
- (d) failure to comply with the eligibility requirements;
- (e) failure to comply with the training hours requirement; or
- (f) failure to comply with the Guidelines on Handling the Playing of the National Anthem and Raising of the Regional Flag for Hong Kong Athletes and Teams Engaging in International Sports Events - [https://sailing.org.hk/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Guidelines-on-Handling-National-Anthem-and-Regional-Flag-2022\\_eng.pdf](https://sailing.org.hk/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Guidelines-on-Handling-National-Anthem-and-Regional-Flag-2022_eng.pdf)

## **8. Appeal**

- 8.1 Any appeals against the selection decision of HKSF must be directed to the HKSF within 7 days after the announcement of the selection results. HKSF may at its discretion appoint an Appeal Working Party to decide on the validity of the appeal and the outcome.