

NOTICE OF RACE

2013 ASIAN WINDSURFING CHAMPIONSHIPS and

HONG KONG OPEN WINDSURFING CHAMPIONSHIPS

26th November to 2nd December 2013

Stanley Main Beach, Hong Kong

http://www.windsurfing.org.hk

Organized by:

The Windsurfing Association of Hong Kong (WAHK)

in co-operation with the

Home Affairs Bureau (HAB) &

Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD)

An International Windsurfing Association sanctioned event including the

2013 RS:X ASIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

2013 TECHNO 293 ASIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

2013 MISTRAL ONE DESIGN ASIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS









1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing 2013 2016 (RRS) Windsurfing Competition Rules (WCR).
- 1.2 Hong Kong Sailing Federation Prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 The Class Rules of the participating classes will apply.
- 1.4 The Notice of Race (NoR) and the Sailing Instructions (SIs) will apply.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence.
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 1.7 For medal race, ISAF Addendum Q, Umpired Fleet Racing, available on the ISAF webpage (<u>www.sailing.org</u>), will apply and change a number of racing rules. The version that is current when the regatta begins will appear full in the Sailing Instructions.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boards may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. ISAF Regulation 20 'Advertising Code' shall apply.
- 2.2 Competitors will also be required to wear a lycra vest, carrying event sponsors names and logos, at all times while afloat and media interviews.

3 CLASSES AND DIVISIONS

- 3.1 The participating classes for Asian Windsurfing Championships (AWC):
 - RS:X Class
 - Techno 293 Class
 - Mistral One Design Class

The participating classes for Hong Kong Open Windsurfing Championships (**HKO**):

- RS:X Class
- Techno 293 Class
- Mistral One Design Class
- Raceboard 7.8 Class
- Raceboard 05 Class
- 3.2 The participating divisions:

3.2.1 RS:X Class

- RS:X Men
- RS:X Women
- RS:X Youth Boys (U19, born in or after 1995)
- RS:X Youth Girls (U19, born in or after 1995)

3.2.2 Techno 293 Class

- Techno Men (A17, born in 1996 or earlier)
- Techno Women (A17, born in 1996 or earlier)
- Techno Youth Boys (U17, born in or after 1997 but not later than 2000)
- Techno Youth Girls (U17, born in or after 1997 but not later than 2000)
- Techno Junior Boys (U15, born in or after 1999 but not later than 2002)
- Techno Junior Girls (U15, born in or after 1999 but not later than 2002)

3.2.3 Mistral One Design Class

- Mistral One Design Men
- Mistral One Design Women

3.2.4 Raceboard 7.8 Class (for HKO only)

- Raceboard 7.8 Men
- Raceboard 7.8 Women
- Raceboard 7.8 Master (A40, born in or before 1972)
- Raceboard 7.8 Youth (U20, born in or after 1994)
- Raceboard 7.8 Minim Boys (U13, born in or after 2001 but not later than 2004)
- Raceboard 7.8 Minim Girls (U13, born in or after 2001 but not later than 2004)

3.2.5 Raceboard 05 Class (for HKO only)

- Raceboard 05 Open
- 3.3 A minimum of 5 competitors is required to constitute a division.
- 3.4 If the minimum of 5 competitors can not be reached, it may merge with different division by genders of the same class.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 All entries shall meet the requirements of ISAF Regulation 19 'Eligibility Code'.
- 4.2 Competitors shall be members of a National Class Association (NCA), which is a paid up member of the relevant International Class Association (ICA). Membership formalities can be completed on site.
- 4.3 For Asian Windsurfing Championships **(AWC)**, eligible competitors may <u>enter online</u> (credit/debit card or bank transfer payment required).

The following shall be presented upon registration:

- Evidence of Valid Third Party Insurance
- Proof of Age
- Equipment Registration Form signed by the equipment inspector
- <u>Emergency Contact and Health Information Form</u> (for those under age of 18)
- 4.4 For Hong Kong Open Windsurfing Championships (**HKO**), competitors are requested to notify the organiser that they wish to compete by sending a completed <u>entry form</u> with the crossed cheque payable to 'Windsurfing Association of Hong Kong'.
 - Original Entry Form (for late entry only)
 - Evidence of Valid Third Party Insurance
 - Proof of Age
 - Emergency Contact and Health Information Form (for those under age of 18)

5 FEES

- 5.1 For Asian Windsurfing Championships (**AWC**), the entry fee is HKD\$780 or USD\$100, i.e. 80 euro if paid by 26 October 2013. Late entries received after 26 October 2013 will be surcharged HKD\$390 or USD\$50, i.e. 40 euro.
- 5.2 Entry fees paid at registration shall be in cash (HKD).
- 5.3 For Hong Kong Open Windsurfing Championships (**HKO**), the entry fee is HKD\$500 if paid by 26 October 2013. Late entries received after 26 October 2013 will be surcharged HKD\$100. Entry fee can be paid at registration in cash (HKD).

6 RACE FORMAT

- 6.1 The championships shall be a single discipline, course racing, 'open entry' event.
- 6.2 Classes shall race separately.

- 6.3 For both Asian Windsurfing Championships (AWC) and Hong Kong Open Windsurfing Championships (HKO), different divisions from the same class may race together.
- 6.4 For Hong Kong Open Windsurfing Championships (HKO), Raceboard 7.8 Class and Raceboard 05 Class may race together.
- 6.5 For Asian Windsurfing Championships (AWC), there will be a maximum 3 races per day, in a maximum 10 races over 4 racing days. If the RS:X Men division or RS:X Women division has 20 or more entries, a Medal Race will be run for the top 10 competitors from that division. The Medal Race will bring the number of races to 11.
- 6.6 For Hong Kong Open Windsurfing Championships (HKO), there will be a maximum 3 races per day, in a maximum 5 races over 2 racing days.
- 6.7 For both Asian Windsurfing Championships (AWC) and Hong Kong Open Windsurfing Championships (HKO), 3 races are required to validate the championships for each division.

7 SCHEDULE

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7.1 Asian Windsurfing Championships (A	WC):

Date	Time	Event		
25 Nov 2013 (Mon)		Early Arrival and Training		
26 Nov 2013 (Tue)	09:00 - 17:00	Registration and Measurement		
27 Nov 2013 (Wed)	09:00 - 12:00	Registration and Measurement		
	12:00 - 13:00	Opening Ceremony		
	15:00	Practice Race		
	17:00	Skippers/Coaches Meeting		
28 Nov 2013 (Thu) to	10:00	First possible warning signal		
30 Nov 2013 (Sat)	16:00	Last possible warning signal		
1 Dec 2013 (Sun)	10:00	First possible warning signal		
	14:00	Last possible warning signal		
	16:00	Last possible warning signal (Medal Race)		
2 Dec 2013 (Mon)	19:00	Prize Presentation Ceremony		

7.2 Hong Kong Open Windsurfing Championships (HKO):

Date	Time	Event
30 Nov 2013 (Sat)	09:00 - 09:30	Registration
	10:00	First possible warning signal
	16:00	Last possible warning signal
1 Dec 2013 (Sun)	10:00	First possible warning signal
	14:00	Last possible warning signal
2 Dec 2013 (Mon)	19:00	Prize Presentation Ceremony

7.3 There will be a daily skippers/coaches meeting on every racing days (28 Nov 2013 to 1 Dec 2013) from 08:45 to 09:00.

8 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 For Asian Windsurfing Championships (AWC), the equipment registration form shall be completed and signed by the equipment inspector, then to return to the race office for registration.
- 8.2 Equipment inspections may be made at any time during the event.

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

9.1 The Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available upon registration. Any changes to the Sailing Instructions (SIs) shall be approved by the Class Representative at the event.

10 COURSES

10.1 Courses will be as described in the Sailing Instructions (SIs).

11 INTERNATIONAL JURY

11.1 An International Jury will be appointed according to RRS-WCR Appendix N. There shall be no appeal against its decisions in accordance with RRS-WCR 70.5.

12 SCORING

- 12.1 The scoring will be Low Points Scoring System in accordance with RRS-WCR Appendix A.
- 12.2 Divisions racing together shall have their scores extracted and be scored separately.
- 12.3 When 3 or fewer race(s) have been completed, a competitor's series scores will be the total of her race scores.
- 12.4 When four or more races have been completed, a competitor's series scores will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 12.5 In the medal race, a competitor's score shall be double the number of points specified in RRS-WCR Appendix A4, and the score for that race shall not be excluded from the series score.
- 12.6 Ties in the series scores between boards with different medal race points score shall be broken in favour of the board that scored better in the medal race. This changes RRS-WCR Appendix A.
- 12.7 The competitors from RS:X Men division or RS:X Women division assigned to compete in the medal race will be ranked highest in her division except for a competitor disqualified from a medal race under RRS-WCR 5 or RRS-WCR 69.

13 COACHES & SUPPORT BOATS

- 13.1 Support boats shall be registered at the race office and shall be required to comply with local legislation. Limited charter may be available.
- 13.2 Team leaders, coaches or other support personnel are requested to notify the organiser that they will be attending by completing an <u>online entry form</u>.
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- Evidence of Valid Third Party Insurance
- Boat Driving Licence
- 13.3 All support boats shall also clearly display the 3 letter national code of their ISAF Member Authority at all times while afloat. The minimum height for the letters shall be 200 mm and visible from both sides of the boat.
- 13.4 Support boats with team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boards are racing from the time of starting sequence until all boards have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

14 SAFETY

14.1 If personal buoyancy is prescribed, every competitor and support boat crewmember shall wear a personal flotation device that shall conform to the minimum standard of ISO 12402-5 (level 50), or as specified in the SIs.

15 PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first three competitors of each properly constituted division. Properly constituted divisions will be posted on the official notice board after the completion of the registration.
- 15.2 For Asian Windsurfing Championships (AWC), the first competitor in each division in the Asian Championships will be declared '2013class /division Asian Champion'.
- 15.3 Prizes shall only be awarded to the competitors with Asian Nationality.

16 OFFICIAL CEREMONIES

16.1 Competitors are requested to attend the event's social functions; however, the organising authority may refuse entry to those whose standard of attire is not commensurate with the occasion. Prizes may be forfeited for non attendance at the prize presentation ceremony.

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

17.1 Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk, see RRS-WCR 4 - Decision to Race. The organising authority or any of their officials or representatives or the sponsors or their officials or representatives 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.

18 INSURANCE

18.1 Each participating boards shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of USD\$500,000 per event or the equivalent.

19 RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

19.1 In registering for the event, competitors automatically grant to the organising authority the right in perpetuity to make, use and show from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproduction of them, taken during the period of the event, for the said Event as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions in which he/she participates without compensation.

20 FURTHER INFORMATION

20.1 Registration will take place in the race office at Stanley Main Beach Water Sport Centre.

20.2 For further information, please contact Windsurfing Association of Hong Kong:

Tel:	(+852) 2504 8255
Email:	wahk@windsurfing.org.hk
Address:	Room 1001, Olympic House, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po,
	Causeway Bay, Hong Kong.

The following information is not part of the rules for the event.

A. HONG KONG

Situated on the southeast coast of China, Hong Kong's strategic location on the Pearl River Delta and South China Sea has made it one of the world's most thriving and cosmopolitan cities. Hong Kong as an Asian's World City has much to offer to you, the webpage from Hong Kong Tourism Board provides fruitful information to you, please check with <u>http://www.discoverhongkong.com/eng/index.jsp</u>

B. ACCOMMODATION

With over 60,000 rooms in almost 200 hotels, you can easier to find your choice, the Hong Kong Hotels Association provides in-depth information to meet with your needs and wants, please check with <u>http://hkha.org/</u>

To save your time, you may also browse on the following hotel which will be accommodating for the officials from the organizing committee. Hotel: Y-Loft Youth Square Hotel Webpage: <u>http://www.youthsquare.hk/eng/yloft hostel rooms/</u> Address: 238 Chai Wan Road, Chai Wan, Hong Kong

C. TRANSPORTATION

Hong Kong International Airport (HKIA) is located less than five flying hours from half of the world's population. HKIA is connected to about 180 destinations, through about 1,000 daily flights by more than 100 airlines. For more information, please visit the official webpage of HKIA at <u>http://www.hongkongairport.com/eng/index.html</u>

Transfers can be arranged to and from HKIA, please contact WAHK for the details.

D. EARLY ARRIVALS

Competitors arriving early are advised, please contact WAHK for the arrangement.

E. PREVAILING CONDITION

The Hong Kong Observatory is a governmental department responsible for meteorology, the following link provides you a better insight for the climatological information: <u>http://www.hko.gov.hk/cis/normal/1981_2010/normals_e.htm</u>

F. VENUE

Race Office Stanley Main Beach Water Sports Centre Address: Stanley Link Road, Stanley, Hong Kong

Supporting Base (for measurement, opening ceremony and skippers/coaches meeting only) Hong Kong Sea School Address: 13-15 Tung Tau Wan Road, Stanley, Hong Kong