

HONG KONG FORMULA CLASS ASSOCIATION



The Blood Red Hong Kong Formula Catamaran Association Regatta 25th and 26th February 2017 incorporating the 2017 Hong Kong Formula 18 Class Championship

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

1.1 The Event will be governed by

- the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020(RRS);
- the prescriptions of the Hong Kong Sailing Federation;
- for competitors in the Formula 18 Class, the rules of the International Formula 18 Class Association (IF18CA);
- this Notice of Race (NOR); and
- the Sailing Instructions to be published by HKFCA.

Succeeding items in this list will take precedence.

1.2 Formula 18 Class competitors' attention is drawn to the crew weight limitations under IF18CA class rule C.3.2 and the local modification agreed at the Hong Kong Formula 18 Class (HKF18CA) AGM held on 3 October 2013 which can be viewed at www.f18.org.hk

1.3 Competitors wishing to be eligible for the Formula 18 Class Championship will be required to weigh-in during the event.

2. ADVERTISING

Advertising displayed on boats and/or on crew-wear during the event shall be entirely in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.

3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

3.1 The event is open to all beach catamarans with an SCHRS rating of 1.05 or below.

3.2 Eligibility for the Formula18 Class Championship is limited to boats of the Formula 18 class which are registered with the HKF18CA.

3.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and sending it to Steve Devlin, Chairman, Hong Kong Formula Class Association, on or before 15th February 2017 (email address is at the bottom of the form attached below)

4. FEES

The entry fee for each boat is HK\$600 (which includes HKFCA membership dues of HK\$100 for the 2017 season). Entries are payable on registration on 25th February 2017

Saturday 25th Feb 2017 No warning signal before 1125
Sunday 26th Feb 2017 No warning signal before 1055

Maximum of 5 Races per day
No warning signal after 1500 (both days)

6. CLASS FLAGS

The Class Flag will be ICF 'F'.

7. THE COURSES

Courses will be geometric courses as provided in the Sailing Instructions. The Race Officer will seek to utilise a mixture of short course 'stadium' style courses and longer geometric courses.

8. VENUE

Courses will be set in the waters around Discovery Bay and Peng Chau. 'Stadium' style courses, if used, will be laid in the waters adjacent to Siena Bay and visible from the shore.

9. SCORING

9.1 Handicaps will be calculated in accordance with SCHRS handicaps as published on www.schrs.com. Boats within the Formula 16 class 'box' will be scored using standard SCHRS handicaps for the Formula 16 class and not individual manufacturer handicaps.

9.2 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply.

9.3 The Formula 18 Class Champion will be determined on the basis of results excluding those of boats not eligible for the Formula 18 Class Championships.

10. SAFETY

10.1 Whilst racing, the onus remains on boats to keep clear of commercial traffic. Any report to the organising authority that a boat may not have complied with this directive will be investigated.

10.2 Personal flotation devices shall be worn at all times.

10.3 The Organizing Authority recommends that all sailors carry a sharp knife which is accessible at all times whilst sailing.

11. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the first 3 placed boats overall and to the Formula 18 Class Champion. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

12. RUBBISH DISPOSAL

All competitors are reminded of RRS 55. All rubbish must be taken back onshore after racing.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the Event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organising Authority (HKFCA) and its volunteers 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.

14. INSURANCE

All boats taking part in this regatta shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance of the minimum cover required by HKSAR law (<http://www.rhkyc.org.hk/upload/Marine/Notices/mdn-71-2016.pdf>). Proof of insurance shall be available for inspection if requested.

Steve Devlin
Chairman
Hong Kong Formula Catamaran Association



Lantau Boat Club

**The Hong Kong Formula
Catamaran Association Regatta
25th and 26th February,**



2017

**incorporating the 2017 Hong Kong Formula 18 Class
Championship**

ENTRY FORM

Sail number Boat Name

Class:

Helm:

Email Mobile

Crew

Email Mobile

Club

I agree to pay the entry fee of HK\$600 upon registration for the Regatta on 25th February 2017. I wish to enter and agree to be bound by this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions. I understand that the Lantau Boat Club, Hong Kong Formula Catamaran Association, Sponsors and their representatives accept no responsibility for any loss of life or injury to myself, my crew or other parties, or for the loss of, or damage to any boat taking part in the event. I have read and understand RRS Fundamental Rule 4 – Decision to race.

I wish to compete for the Hong Kong Formula 18 Class Championship and I am a paid-up member of the Hong Kong F18 Class Association.
[Delete if not applicable]

Signed Date

Please return the completed form by the deadline of 1800 hours of 15th February 2017 to Steve Devlin, Chairman HKFCA (hkfca.chairman@gmail.com).

