

Leisure and Cultural Services Department Chong Hing Junior Water Sports Competition 2024

Programme No.: WSG244337SAL

Notice of Race

1. Objectives: To promote the interest of juniors in water sports through kayaking, sailing and windsurfing competitions, and enhance their skills and competition knowledge

2. Date: 15 September 2024 (Sunday)

3. Time: 9 am to 5 pm

4. Venue: Chong Hing Water Sports Centre

5. Race/Course: (a) Kayaking : Short distance race and round mark race

(b) Sailing : Triangular course or Windward - Leeward round mark course

(c) Windsurfing : Course arrangement similar to that for the sailing races

6. Divisions:

Division / Categories	Age	Quota ⁽¹⁾	Entry Requirement ⁽²⁾	Fee	Boat/ Board Type
Boys Kayaking A	0 . 10	16 in total			, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Girls Kayaking A	8 to 10	(Basic entry: 4 for each division)	Holder of Junior Kayak Walrus Award or above		Junior Kayak
Boys Kayaking B		16 in total			
Girls Kayaking B	11 to 13	(Basic entry: 4 for each division)			
Boys Sailing A		8 in total			
Girls Sailing A	8 to 10	(Basic entry: 3 for each division)	Holder of Junior Sail 2: Helmsman Certificate or equivalent		Optimist
Boys Sailing B		16 in total			
Girls Sailing B	11 to 13	(Basic entry: 4 for each division)			
Boys Windsurfing A		8 in total	Holder of Basic (Junior) Windsurfing Award or equivalent		
Girls Windsurfing A	8 to 10	(Basic entry: 3 for each division)			Beginner Board
Boys Windsurfing B		16 in total			
Girls Windsurfing B	11 to 13	(Basic entry: 4 for each division)			

Notes:

- (1) For better resource utilization, the organiser reserves the right to adjust the quota for each division with reference to the enrolment response. The remaining quota will be adjusted based on the ratio of men and women.
- (2) Applicants under 18 must submit a declaration of consent for participation in recreation and sports programmes before being allowed to enroll in competitions. Such a declaration must be made by their parents or guardians aged 18 or above who are themselves SmartPLAY users, with the use of the "Declaration" function under "My Profile" in SmartPLAY. The applicants may alternatively enter the passwords of their parents' or guardians' SmartPLAY accounts in submission of applications.
- (3) Applicants should select respective required qualification in SmartPLAY, and choose / upload relevant required qualification document. They must produce the originals of valid qualification proof and logbooks for verification by the LCSD staff on the event day as proof that the relevant certificates or qualifications and the required number of sailing hours are acquired before ballot.

7. Ballot and Payment Arrangements:

	Date	Notes
Submission Period	8-14/7/2024	• Each applicant is required to submit only one ballot application form for enrolment in the competitions to be held on September 2024.
Date of Ballot and Announcement of Results	24-26/7/2024	 Successful applicants will receive an electronic notification generated by the system of successful application and payment or confirmation. Members of the public may also have access to the ballot results through My SmartPLAY App, the SmartPLAY webpage, smart self-service stations or notice boards at organsing DLSOs and leisure venues, but will not be notified separately by post.
Payment/Confirmation Period for Successful Application	Payment/confirmation Deadline 27/7/2024- 31/7/2024 (Smart self-service stations at 11:00 pm; SmartPLAY webpage at 11:59 pm on the last day)	 Successful applicants must settle the fees by electronic means or complete the confirmation procedures within the specified payment or confirmation period in a month through My SmartPLAY App, the SmartPLAY webpage or smart self-service stations; For those who use the SmartPLAY webpage, fees can be settled by online payment methods including credit cards, PPS, FPS, Apple Pay or Google Pay. For those who use My SmartPLAY App, electronic payments may be made by credit cards, FPS, Apple Pay or Google Pay. For those who use the smart self-service stations, fees can be settled by Octopus Card or FPS; Successful applicants may also bring originals or copies of their identity documents along with reference number of the activity successfully applied to settle the fees in cash or by Octopus Card or complete the confirmation procedures at the DLSOs or recreation and sports venues with the SmartPLAY system set up.
Date of Announcement of Remaining Quota	1/8/2024	• If there are places available after the payment or confirmation period in a month, the number of such places will be announced through My SmartPLAY App, the SmartPLAY webpage and smart self-service stations on a specified date of the month.
Date of Phase I of Open Enrolment for Remaining Quota	2-4/8/2024	 Such places will be open for enrolment in Phase I on a first-come-first-served basis from 8:30 am on 2 August 2024 of a specified period through My SmartPLAY App, the SmartPLAY webpage and smart self-service stations. Applicants under 18 must submit a declaration of consent for participation in recreation and sports programmes before being allowed to enrol in competitions. Such a declaration must be made by their parents or guardians aged 18 or above who are themselves SmartPLAY users, with the use of the "Declaration" function under "My Profile" in SmartPLAY. The applicants may alternatively enter the passwords of their parents' or guardians' SmartPLAY accounts in submission of applications.
Date of Phase II of Open Enrolment for Remaining Quota	9-14/8/2024	• If places are available after the payment due date for the Phase I of Open Enrolment, the organiser will flexibly adjust the quotas for each division. Such places will be open for enrolment in Phase II on a first-come-first-served basis from 8:30 am on 9 August 2024 of a specified period through My SmartPLAY App, the SmartPLAY webpage and smart self-service stations.

8. Notes on Enrolment:

- (a) Applicants must submit ballot e-application forms through My SmartPLAY App, the SmartPLAY webpage or smart self-service stations within the specified period in a month.
- (b) Applicants enrolling in competitions must be themselves the registered SmartPLAY users. Applications made by groups, organisations or schools will not be accepted.
- (c) Each applicant/team may submit only one ballot application for enrolment in competitions organised by District Leisure Services Offices (DLSOs), Water Sports Centres or Tuen Mun Recreation and Sports Centre in a given month. In the event of duplicate application submissions, submission of incomplete information, non-compliance with competition requirements or ineligibility on the part of applicants/teams, the applications in question will be rejected by the system. Each ballot application form can be used to apply for up to 10 competitions, of which a maximum of three will be allocated to the applicant.
- (d) No waiting lists will be held for any ballot. Applicants are required to make a fresh application for the remaining places, if any, upon ballot on a first-come-first-served basis during the open enrolment period.
- (e) As far as the competitions held by the Water Sports Centres are concerned, applicants can enter a ballot only after valid certificates or qualification proof are uploaded in their submission of ballot e-application forms. In addition, they must produce the originals of valid qualification proof and logbooks for verification by the LCSD staff on the competition day as proof that the relevant certificates or qualifications and the required number of sailing hours are acquired before ballot. Failure to meet such requirements will disqualify the applicants from the competitions, and no refund for the fees paid will be made.
- (f) Each applicant could apply no more than one place in an individual event by ballot based on the priorities indicated on his/her enrolment form on SmartPLAY. Lots will be drawn to assign each of the competitors. On the competition day, each competitor may participate in 1 event only.
- (g) Telephone reservation or enrolment for the place(s) released because of the absent competitor(s) on the racing date are not accepted.
- (h) If less than 2 applicants are enrolled in a division after the date of phase I of open enrolment (i.e. 4 August 2024), that division will be cancelled.
- (i) Alterations to all the details provided by an applicant will not be allowed after the submission deadline of application forms. The e-application forms must be completed in full and all of the details therein must be true and correct. Alternations to all the details provided, participating event(s) and personal particulars will not be allowed once the applications have been confirmed, except for the circumstances of altering contact numbers and addresses, in which any updates must be made via SmartPLAY as soon as possible.
- (j) Applicants under 18 must submit a declaration of consent for participation in recreation and sports programmes before being allowed to enrol in competitions. Such a declaration must be made by their parents or guardians aged 18 or above who are themselves SmartPLAY users, with the use of the "Declaration" function under "My Profile" in SmartPLAY. The applicants may alternatively enter the passwords of their parents' or guardians' SmartPLAY accounts in submission of applications.
- (k) Applicants providing false information will be disqualified from the events, with all the results declared void. Enrolment fees paid will not be refunded.
- (1) Withdrawal or Release of Quota on or after 14 August 2024 will not be opened for enrolment.
- 9. Rules: (unless otherwise specified in the Racing Instructions)
 - (a) Kayaking: The events will be governed by the competition rules and any recently revised rules and regulations issued by the International Canoe Federation, and the instructions of the Hong Kong China Canoe Union.
 - (b) Windsurfing and Sailing: The events will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024, the prescriptions of the Sailing Federation of Hong Kong, China, the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 10. Ranking: The first competitor to finish a race will be the winner of that race. Other competitors will be ranked according to their finishing time.

11. Regulations:

- (a) General~
 - i. Kayaking

The competition consists of division heats and final. In case of insufficient enrolment in a division, only heats will be held for that division. The scores of all races will be counted towards the final score.

- ii. Sailing and windsurfing
 - (1) Both events will be held concurrently and a maximum of 4 races will be held.
 - (2) If 4 races are held, the worst score of the competitors will not be counted. If 3 or fewer races are held, the scores of all races will be counted towards the final score.

(b) Notes to Competitors~

- i. Reporting time: Starts from 9 am. Competitors should submit a declaration duly completed and signed by their parent/guardian or an authorised person and produce the original of the identity document used for enrolment, receipt and proof of relevant qualifications for verification. Recognised identity documents include the Hong Kong Identity Card, the Birth Certificate / Document of Identity for Visa Purposes / HKSAR Re-entry Permit / One-way Permit (only for children aged below 11, copy also acceptable) and valid travel documents such as passports or the Exit-Entry Permit for Travelling to and from Hong Kong and Macau (only for non-Hong Kong residents). Children aged 14 or below may produce the original or a copy of their identity document. The original of a valid photograph-bearing student identity card / student handbook should also be produced if the identity document supplied does not bear a photograph. Kayaks/sails/boards will be allocated by the organiser by a drawing of lots during the reporting time.
- ii. Racing Instructions: Path: Centre Activities > Races > Race Instructions (http://www.lcsd.gov.hk/tc/watersport/activities/acti-race/acti-race-instructions.html)
- iii. Race cancellation: If Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 3 or above or the Black Rainstorm Warning issued by the Hong Kong Observatory is in force at 7:00 am on the competition day, the races will be cancelled and shall not be rescheduled.
- iv. Judgment: The decision of the Judge shall be final.

12. Prizes:

No. of entrant for each division	2-3	4-5	6-10	11 or above
Prizes	Champion	Champion and 1 st runner-up	Champion, 1 st runner-up and 2 nd runner-up	Champion, 1 st runner-up, 2 nd runner-up and 3 rd runner-up

13. Arrangement of Craft:

Kayaks/sails/boards will be provided by the Centre. All competitors must use the equipment allocated by the drawing of lots. Those who change the equipment without prior permission of the officials will be disqualified. The Centre reserves the right to claim for compensation from the users for any damage to its equipment.

14. The results of each class will be posted on the notice board at the venue on the race day. The winners' list will be uploaded to the LCSD WSCs website after the event.

Path: Centre Activities > Races > Race Results https://www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/watersport/activities/acti_race/infocentre_result.html

- 15. Insurance: If necessary, competitors should take out insurance at their own expense.
- 16. Meals: Competitors may bring their own meals, or order lunch boxes provided by the Lady MacLehose Holiday Village. The order can be placed during the reporting time on the competition day. The Centre provides soft drink vending machines and microwave ovens.
- 17. Transportation: Shuttle bus service will be provided for the competitors and their relatives and friends who have registered as day campers. Buses will depart at the Sai Kung Tang Shiu Kin

Sports Ground and the Centre at 8:30 am and 4:45 pm respectively on the competition day.

18. Remarks:

(a) Relatives and friends are welcome to support the competitors after registering as day campers of the Centre. Accompanist(s) should make reservation by phone and submit the application form with a cheque to Chong Hing Water Sports Centre by mail before 7 days of competition date for arrangement of transportation. Please download the application form at LCSD WSCs website.

Path: Centre Form & Guide > Application Form For The Accompanist(s) https://www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/watersport/downloads.html

- (b) Coin-operated lockers are available at the Centre. A 5-dollar coin (returnable after use) is needed to operate the lockers. Locker users may bring their own padlocks for additional security. Competitors should not bring valuables to the venue and should take care of their personal belongings.
- 19. The Centre reserves the right to amend the Notice of Race without prior notice to the competitors.
- 20. Enquiry: Tel: 2792 6810 Fax: 2791 2473