



Tai Mei Tuk Windsurfing Race 2024

Programme No.: WSG244335WIN

~ Notice of Race ~

1. **Course:** Round-mark Race
2. **Objectives:** To promote public interest as well as boost up their windsurfing skills, gain racing experiences, and enhance the competitors' fitness and endurance.
3. **Dates:** 28-29 September 2024 (Saturday and Sunday)
4. **Time:** 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
5. **Location:** Tai Mei Tuk Water Sports Centre
6. **Age:** 14 or above (on race day) ⁽²⁾
7. **Fee:** \$20/person (Persons aged below 15, aged 60 or above, full-time students and persons with disabilities can enjoy concessionary rate upon production of valid proof).

8. Division/Quota/Entry Requirements:

Class and Board type	Division	Sail Type	Quota	Entry Requirements ⁽³⁾
Beginner Class (Beach 185)	Male	6m ² Training Sail	14	Holder of Windsurfing Association of Hong Kong, China Intermediate Windsurfing Award or Leisure and Cultural Services Department Intermediate Windsurfing Competency Record or above, with at least 30 logged windsurfing hours after attained the aforementioned Award / Competency Record (excluding training hours).
Beginner Class (Beach 225)	Female	6m ² Training Sail	7	
Intermediate Class (Techno 293 OD)	Male	7m ² Fully-batten Sail	14 in total (a basic quota of 5 for men's and women's divisions respectively ⁽¹⁾)	
	Female	6m ² Fully-batten Sail		
Advanced Class (Techno 293 OD)	Male	7.7m ² Camber-induced Sail	12 in total (a basic quota of 4 for men's and women's divisions respectively ⁽¹⁾)	Holder of Windsurfing Association of Hong Kong, China or Leisure and Cultural Services Department Windsurfing Race Training Course Attendance Certificate or Advanced Windsurfing Award Certificate / Competency Record.
	Female	6.7m ² Camber-induced Sail		

Note :

- (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.

9. Ballot and Payment Arrangements :

	Date	Notes
Submission Period :	From 8/7/2024 to 14/7/2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Each applicant is required to submit only one ballot application form for enrolment in the competitions to be held on <u>September 2024</u> and able to select one class/division of each competition.
Date of Ballot and Announcement of Results :	From 24/7/2024 to 26/7/2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ 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 organising DLSOs and leisure venues, but will not be notified separately by post.
Payment/ Confirmation Period for Successful Application :	From 27/7/2024 to 31/7/2024 <i>(smart self-service stations at 11:00 pm)</i> (payment/confirmation deadline at 11:59 pm on the last day)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Successful applicants must settle the fees by electronic means or complete the confirmation procedures within the specified payment or confirmation period 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ If there are places available after the payment or confirmation period, 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 :	From 2/8/2024 to 8/8/2024 (8:30 am on the first day)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Such places will be open for enrolment in Phase I on a first-come-first-served basis from 8:30 am on <u>2 August 2024</u> 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 :	From 16/8/2024 to 20/9/2024 (8:30 am on the first day)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ 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 <u>16 August 2024</u> through My SmartPLAY App, the SmartPLAY webpage and smart self-service stations.

Notes on Enrolment :

- 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.
- Applicants enrolling in competitions must be themselves the registered SmartPLAY users. Applications made by groups, organisations or schools will not be accepted.
- 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 and able to select one class/division/group of each competition. 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.
- 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.
- As far as the application forms submitted are concerned, in the event of duplicate submissions, submission of incomplete information, non-compliance with competition requirements or ineligibility on the part of any of the participating members, the applications in question will be rejected by the system.
- 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 LCSO 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.

- g) 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. Alterations 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.
- h) 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.
- i) Applicants providing false information will be disqualified from the events, with all the results declared void. Enrolment fees paid will not be refunded.
- j) If less than 2 applicants are enrolled in a division after the Phase I Open Enrolment for Remaining Quota (i.e. after 8 August 2024), that division will be cancelled.
- k) Hong Kong residents should produce their Hong Kong Identity Cards (Birth Certificates / Documents of Identity for Visa Purposes also acceptable for children aged below 11). Children aged 14 or below may produce a copy of their identity documents. The original of a valid photograph-bearing student handbook / card should also be produced if their identity documents supplied do not bear a photograph. Persons without Hong Kong Identity Cards should produce their valid travel documents (such as Passports, Exit-Entry Permits for Travelling to and from Hong Kong and Macao).
- l) Unless under special circumstance, replacement of competitor will not be entertained after the deadline of submission. Participants cannot refund and change to another person after they have enrolled. Each competitor could only participate in one division. Competitors participate in more than one division will be disqualified.
- m) Withdrawal or Release of Quota on or after 19 September 2024 6 p.m. will not be opened for enrolment.
- n) Water Sports Centre's "On-the-spot enrollment" is not applicable to this event.

10. Rules: The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2021-24(RRS). Sailing Federation of Hong Kong, China Prescriptions, Notice of Race (NoR) and the Sailing Instructions (SIs) will also apply.

11. Ranking: Ranks of each race for respective divisions will be calculated according to the best finishing time.

12. Reporting Time:

1. Competitors are required to sign the health declaration after 7a.m. on the event day, then check-in via SmartPLAY by arriving the Centre between 8:45 am and 9:30 am on the race day, and should 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 Macao (only for non-Hong Kong residents).
2. 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.
3. Participants aged below 18 should return with a duly signed Parents / Guardian or Person Authorised by Participants Parents' Declaration on the event day. Failure to provide proof of relevant qualifications will render the competitors concerned disqualified.
4. Craft and relevant equipment will be allocated by the Organiser by ballot during the reporting time.

13. Starting Time: The race will start at about 10:30 am.

14. Race Cancellation: If Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No.3 or above or the Black Rainstorm Warning Signal is issued by the Hong Kong Observatory at 7 am on the race day, the races on that day shall be cancelled. If Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 1, the Red Rainstorm Warning Signal, the Strong Monsoon Signal or the Thunderstorm Warning is issued at or after 7:00 am on the race day, competitors are required to report to the Centre. The centre staff will decide whether the race should proceed as scheduled, adopt the alternative courses or be cancelled in the light of the prevailing weather conditions.

15. Race Result: 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 Water Sports Centres website after the event (Path: Water Sports InfoCentre > Race Result; hyperlink: http://www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/watersport/infocentre/infocentre_result.html).

16. Sailing Instructions: The Organiser will upload the Sailing Instructions to the website of the LCSD water sports centres on 23 September 2024 (Path: Centre Activities > Races; hyperlink: http://www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/watersport/activities/acti_race/acti_race_instructions.html). If any competitor has difficulty accessing the Sailing Instructions 3 days before the race, please contact the Centre staff at 2665 3591 during office hours.

- 17. Racing Equipment and Boat:** 1. Sails, boards and other equipment will be provided by the Organiser and allocated by ballot. Competitors who change the equipment or use additional equipment without permission of the Organiser will be disqualified. The Centre reserves the right to request for compensation from the user if there's any damage to the Centre Boards and other equipment. The ballot will take place when competitors register at the reporting counter.
2. Competitors may use their own harnesses.

- 18. Regulations:**
1. A maximum of 8 races over 2 racing days. The scoring will be Low Point Scoring System in accordance with RRS Appendix A4.
 2. Subject to the wind strength and the prevailing conditions, the race committee may continue, shorten or abandon the race. It will not be grounded for redress.
 3. When 4-8 races have been completed, a competitor's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score; When 3 or fewer race(s) have been completed, a competitor's series score will be the total of her race scores.

19. Prizes:

Entrants for each Division	2-3 entries	4-5 entries	6-10 entries	11-15 entries
Prizes	Champion	Champion, 1 st runner-up	Champion, 1 st runner-up, 2 nd runner-up	Champion, 1 st runner-up, 2 nd runner-up, 3 rd runner-up

- 20. Insurance:** Competitors should be insured on their own expenses.

- 21. Protest:** Apart from hailing "Protest" at the first reasonable opportunity on the water, protest must be logged in writing to the Jury within the specific protest time limit. The final decision of the organizer shall prevail.

- 22. Meal:** Competitors should bring their own food and drinks.

- 23. Request for Certificates of Participation:** Requests for certificates of participation can be made by submitting to the Centre a completed application form together with a stamped addressed envelope (postage: \$2.2).

- 24. Notice of Race is available at:** Available at all LCSD water sports centres and can be downloaded from the website of the LCSD's water sports centres (Path: Centre Activities > Races > Notice of Race and Enrolment Form; hyperlink: http://www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/watersport/activities/acti_race/acti_race_notice.html)

- 25. Enquiries:** 2665 3591

- 26. Fax:** 2660 7910

- 27. Email:** tmtwsc@lcsd.gov.hk

- 28. Address:** Tai Mei Tuk Water Sports Centre, Main Dam of Plover Cove Reservoir, Tai Mei Tuk, Tai Po

- 29.** If there is any discrepancy or inconsistency between the Chinese and English versions, the Chinese version shall prevail.

- 30.** In case of any deficiency in this Notice of Race, the LCSD reserves the right to make any amendments to it without prior notice to the competitors.

Tai Mei Tuk Water Sports Centre
 Leisure and Cultural Services Department
 July 2024