



Organized by **Leisure and Cultural Services Department**

Wong Shek Windsurfing Race 2024

Program Number: WSG245185WIN

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1. **Objectives:** To promote the publics' interest in windsurfing, and provide opportunity to learn from other participants.
2. **Dates:** 16 & 17 November 2024 (Saturday and Sunday)
3. **Time:** 8:30 am to 5:00 pm
4. **Racing Area:** The Jockey Club Wong Shek Water Sports Centre / Long Harbour (Tai Tan Hoi)
5. **Course:** Course Racing
6. **Age:** Aged 14 or above (Commencement date of the race) ^(Note 2)
7. **Entry Fee:** \$20/person (Participants aged below 15 or aged 60 or above, full-time students and persons with disabilities are eligible for the concessionary rates upon presenting supporting documents.)
8. **Class, Quota & Entry Requirement:**

| Class | Division | Sails | Quota ^(Note 1) | Entry Requirement and Experiences ^(Note 3) |
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| Beach 185 | Men | 6.2-6.5 m ² Full Batten Sail | Total 24 places for both division (Basic entry: 6 for each division) | 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). |
| | Women | | | |
| Techno 293 OD | Men | 7.5 m ² Monofilm | Total 22 places for both division (Basic entry: 6 for each division) | 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. |
| | Women | 6.5 m ² Monofilm | | |

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. Prizes:

| Entrants for each Division | 2-3 entries | 4-5 entries | 6-10 entries | 11-15 entries | 16 entries or above |
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| 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 and 3 rd runner-up | Champion, 1 st runner-up, 2 nd runner-up, 3 rd runner-up & 2 nos. of merit prizes |

10. Enrollment Method: Places allotted by “Balloting”

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| <p><u>Period for Submission of Enrolment Forms: 08/09/2024 - 14/09/2024</u></p> <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>November 2024</u> and able to select one class/division of each competition. |
| <p><u>Date of Ballot: 29/09/2024 - 01/10/2024</u></p> <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. |
| <p><u>Period for Payment by Successful Applicants: 02/10/2024 – 06/10/2024</u> <u>(Payment/ Confirmation until 06/10/2024 11:59 pm) (Smart Self-service Stations until 11:00pm)</u></p> <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; For team competitions, fees must be settled by prime applicants; In case the prime applicant of a team fails to settle the fee within the specified period, the team as a whole will automatically be regarded as having forfeited the right of a successful applicant. |
| <p><u>Date of Announcement of Remaining Quota :07/10/2024</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. |
| <p><u>Phase I of Open Enrolment for Remaining Quota: 08/10/2024 - 14/10/2024 (8:30 am on the first day)</u></p> <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 8 October 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. |
| <p><u>Phase II of Open Enrolment for Remaining Quota: 22/10/2024 - 08/11/2024 (8:30 am on the first day)</u></p> <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 22 October 2024 of a specified period through My SmartPLAY App, the SmartPLAY webpage and smart self-service stations.

Notes on Applicants:

- 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 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.
- 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 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.
- f) 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.
- g) Alterations to all the details provided by an applicant will not be allowed after the submission deadline of application forms. The 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.
- 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 14 October 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 6 p.m. on 7 November 2024 will not be opened for enrolment.

n) Water Sports Centre's "On-the-spot enrollment" is not applicable to this event.

11. Note to Participants:

a. **Racing procedure:** A maximum of 6 races will be held in the two racing days according to the wind velocity and the weather.

b. **Equipment Arrangement:** Participants must use the sails, boards and buoyancy aids provided by the organizer, and must not modify the equipment or use additional equipment unless authorized by the organizer. Wetsuits, power lines and harnesses will also be provided for optional use by participants.

c. **Sailing Instructions:** These will be uploaded to the website of LCSD before the race (i.e. 13 November 2024) (http://www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/watersport/activities/acti_race/acti_race_instructions.html)

d. **Wind speed requirement:** Subject to the wind velocity and the prevailing conditions, the organizer may continue, shorten or abandon the race. It will not be grounded for redress.

e. **Race Cancellation:** If Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 3 or above or the Black Rainstorm Warning Signal issued by the Hong Kong Observatory is in force at or after 7:00 am on the race day, the races will be cancelled and shall not be rescheduled. 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 races should proceed as scheduled, adopt the alternative courses or be cancelled in the light of the prevailing weather conditions. In case of safety and public health issue, the LCSD reserves the right to cancel the races without prior notice to the competitors.

f. **Rules:** The events will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-2024 including Appendix A and B and any recently revised rules. Hong Kong Sailing Federation Prescriptions, Notice of Race (NoR) and the Sailing Instructions (SIs) will also apply.

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

h. **Scoring:** A maximum of 6 races will be held in the two racing days. The scoring will be Low Points System in accordance with RRS Appendix A4 and B8.

i. **Calculation of results:** When 3 or fewer race(s) have been completed over 2 racing days, a competitor's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 4 to 6 races have been completed, a competitor's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

j. 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 ExitEntry Permit for

Travelling to and from Hong Kong and Macao (only for non-Hong Kong residents).

2. 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
- k. **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.
12. **Insurance:** Participants should be insured on their own expenses.
13. **Meal:** Participants should bring their own food and drinks.
14. **Enquiries (Tel/Fax/Email) :** 2328 2311/2328 2172/wswsc@lcsd.gov.hk
15. **Address:** The Jockey Club Wong Shek Water Sports Centre, Wong Shek Pier, Sai Kung, Hong Kong
16. If there is any conflict between languages, the Chinese text will take precedence.
17. In case of any deficiency in this Notice of Race, the organizer reserves the right to make any amendments to it without prior notice to the competitors.

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