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*HONG KONG, CHINA ROWING ASSOCIATION*



## **2018 Asian Rowing Coastal Championships**

*Hong Kong, China*

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### **4. International Jury**

The International Jury (ITO) members will be appointed by the ARF Umpiring Committee.

## II. GENERAL INFORMATION OF HONG KONG, CHINA

The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China is located at the southern part of China, close to Macau and the Guangdong Pearl River Delta region. It is one of the Special Administrative Regions of China and has an area of 1,104 km<sup>2</sup>. With around 7.2 million permanent residents of various nationalities, Hong Kong is the world's fourth most densely populated territory in 2016.

The city is known as the "Pearl of the Orient" for its iconic cityscape around Victoria Harbour, the intersection of different cultures and styles, and the combination of modern architecture with the traditional temples. It is a financial, logistics, freight, transportation and cultural hub at regional and international level.

Hong Kong has been the venue for various major rowing events, including the 1<sup>st</sup> Asian Rowing Championships in 1985, the 2003 and 2008 Asian Rowing Junior Championships and the 2009 East Asian Games Regatta and 2013 Asian Rowing Cup II. Other major international sporting events held in Hong Kong have included the Equestrian events of the 2008 Beijing Summer Olympic Games and the 2009 East Asian Games and most recently the 2017 UCI Track Cycling World Championships and the 2017 ICF Canoe Ocean Racing World Championships.



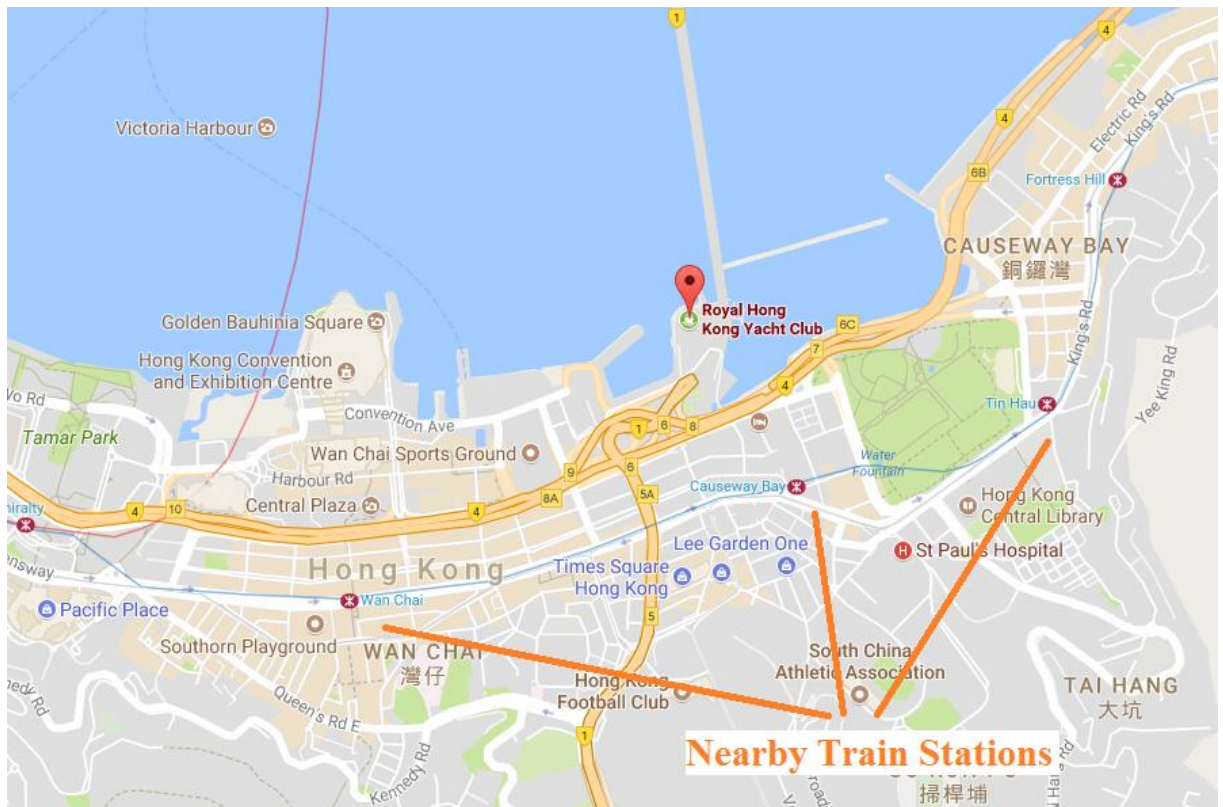
### III. COMPETITION INFORMATION

#### 1. Competition Dates

23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2018

#### 2. Competition Venue

Victoria Harbour, Hong Kong; a Race Village will be set up on the adjacent shoreline based at the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club in Causeway Bay. It is also the venue for the 2019 World Rowing Coastal Championships.



### 3. Provisional Competition Schedule

Date	21/11 (Wed)	22/11 (Thu)	23/11 (Fri)	24/11 (Sat)	25/11 (Sun)
Arrival & Check-in	✓				
Boat Rental and training schedule allocation	✓				
Course Open for Training	✓	✓	✓		
International Jury Meeting		✓			
Team Managers' Meeting and Draw		✓			
Qualification Races (if needed)			✓		
Heats				✓	
Finals					✓
Closing Ceremony					✓
*Celebration Party					✓

*\*Teams will be responsible for their own cost and details will be announced in Bulletin No. 2.*

### 4. Events

Men (3) : CM1X, CM2X, CM4X+

Women (3) : CW1X, CW2X, CW4X+

### 5. Entries

The 6 events are open to all club crews and national team crews, but all entries need to be recognized by National Federation and entry forms must be submitted through the National Federation. Each crew from one country/region must be ranked by the National Federation when the entry is submitted with the best crew ranked #1, the next crew #2, etc. The ranking will be used if qualification races are needed. Queries about the ranking of crews should be addressed to the National Federation concerned.

(a) **Preliminary Entry** must be received by 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2018.

The Preliminary Entry must include the events to be entered, the total number of athletes in the team, and the number of officials accompanying the team.

(b) **Final Entry** is due by 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2018.

The completed Final Entry must include all necessary information for each crew, including full name with date of birth of each athlete, all team members and substitutes and officials.

(c) Entry Forms for Preliminary and Final Entries are attached to this Bulletin. These should be filled in and forwarded to the Organizing Committee (OC), with a copy to ARF headquarters by the stipulated date.

*Please note: If any crew withdraws later than 3 hours before the draw until the end of the regatta (except for medical reasons), it will be subject to penalty in accordance with FISA rules.*

## **6. Race Format**

- (a) The race format will be a 4 kilometer course around a number of buoys with up to 12 boats in each race, starting together, with no designated lanes.
- (b) Racing will be run in accordance with the FISA Coastal Rowing Competition Regulations (FISA Rule Book Appendix 22).
- (c) The start and finish will both be on water.
- (d) Teams should note that the race format is the "endurance" version of coastal rowing and is very different from Beach Rowing Sprints (the format used at 1<sup>st</sup> ARCC 2017).
- (e) The progression system will provide a maximum of 2 heats up to 12 crews in each event, with up to 6 crews from each heat proceeding to the Final A which will have a maximum of 12 crews. The remaining crews from the heats will race in Final B.
- (f) If more than 24 entries are received in any event then qualification races will be held for that event on 23 November. Details of qualification process will be announced in Bulletin No. 2.
- (g) Heats will be on Day 1. Finals will be on Day 2.



## 7. Opening Time of Course

The venue will be officially open from **21<sup>st</sup> November** for crews to train.

## 8. Uniform

All competitors must wear the official competition uniform of their National Federation or club.

## 9. Weather in November

Average daily air temperature	21°C	Average daily max & min air temperature	Max: 24°C Min: 19°C
Average relative humidity	76%	Average monthly rainfall	66 mm
Average wind speed (direction of the prevailing wind)	27km/hr (Northerly)	Water Current Pattern in Hong Kong Harbour	Water current flows south east to north west on the rise and north west to south east on the ebb of tide.

## 10. Boats and Equipment

- a) The Official Boat Supplier is Swift International Limited. All boats and other equipment shall comply with FISA Rules of Racing. The Organizing Committee (OC) will provide boats for rent. All boats will be shared between teams. Teams are requested to bring their own sculling oars, but the OC would still provide a limited number of pairs of oars for rent. Teams may bring their own boats.
- b) Boat rental charges (USD/per crew/per boat/per day on the basis of sharing boats):



Boats used at the ARCC are available for sale with a discount, on a first come, first served basis. For details info, please contact Swift at [elaine.chen@swiftinternational.biz](mailto:elaine.chen@swiftinternational.biz)

Type of Boat	USD/per boat/per day
Coastal Solo (C1X)	\$50
Coastal Double Sculls (C2X)	\$75
Coastal Coxed Quadruple Sculls (C4x+)	\$100

- c) Sculling oars will be available for rental at the cost of USD10 /pair/day. Rental sculling oars might also have to be shared.

## 11. Accommodation

Teams shall be responsible for booking their own accommodation directly with hotels. Accommodation is available for on-line booking within convenient proximity to the venue. Hong Kong has a wide range of hotels and guesthouses at a range of prices from budget to 5-star plus. It should be noted that although the Causeway Bay and Wan Chai areas are very convenient to the competition venue, accommodation in other districts is also suitable because Hong Kong's public transport system, particularly the MTR, is very efficient and safe to use. (There is an MTR station within 1 km distance from the venue.)

List of accommodation in **Causeway Bay / Wan Chai** with sample price offering by different agencies (Note: there is no guarantee from the OC of these hotel prices and they are shown here for reference only):

<https://en.tripadvisor.com.hk/Hotels-g294217-zfn7350429-Hong-Kong-Hotels.html>

List of hotels and the price is available for reference only. As the price varies from time to time, crews are required to check the updated price and its package with the hotel individually.

Star	Name of hotel	Type of room	No. of room	Walking Distance to venue (in km)	Walking time to venue (in minutes)	Price range* in US\$/per room
<b>Causeway Bay / Wan Chai</b>						
5	Excelsior Hotel	Twin/Double	869	0.4 km	5 min	\$240-\$330
		Suite				\$450-\$2300
5	The Park Lane Hong Kong, A Pullman Hotel	Single	832	0.8 km	9 min	\$200-\$370
		Twin				\$200-\$370
		Triple				\$280-\$620
5	Regal Hongkong Hotel	Double	210	1.0 km	13 min	\$230-\$280
		Twin	90			\$230-\$280
		Quadrant	27			\$320-\$360
4	Novotel Century Hong Kong	Single	508	1.0 km	13 min	\$160-\$240
		Twin				\$160-\$240
4	Gloucester Luk Kwok Hotel	Single	196	1.4 km	18 min	\$170-\$220
		Twin/Double				\$170-\$220
4	The Wharney Guang Dong Hotel Hong Kong	Twin/Double	356	1.6 km	20 min	\$150-\$230
4	The VELA Hong Kong Causeway Bay	Twin/Double	98	1.2 km	18 min	\$130-\$480
4	Dorsett Wanchai, Hong Kong	Twin/Double	454	1.4 km	21 min	\$100-\$110
		Triple				\$140
4	Cosmo Hotel Hong Kong	Single	142	1.5 km	21 min	\$90-\$100
		Twin/Double				\$90-\$100
		Triple				\$130-\$140
4	Rosedale Hotel Hong Kong	Twin/Double	299	1.6 km	23 min	\$150-\$180
3	The Charterhouse Causeway Bay Hotel	Single	294	1.0 km	14 min	\$100-\$140
		Twin/Double				\$220-\$270
3	Butterfly on Morrison	Twin/Double	98	1.1 km	16 min	\$170-\$180
3	Holiday Inn Express Hong Kong Causeway Bay	Single	282	1.2 km	18 min	\$140-\$170
		Twin/Double				\$140-\$170
		Triple				\$140-\$170

3	Mini Hotel Causeway Bay	Twin/Double	208	1.3 km	19 min	\$100-\$110
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\*Room rate only. Not include breakfast.

**NOTE: Accommodation bookings should be made as early as possible because November is a popular time for visiting Hong Kong and many hotels might be fully booked.**

## 12. Accreditation

All Individuals (Jury, Team Officials & Participants) are requested to complete the accreditation forms and send to the OC before 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2018.

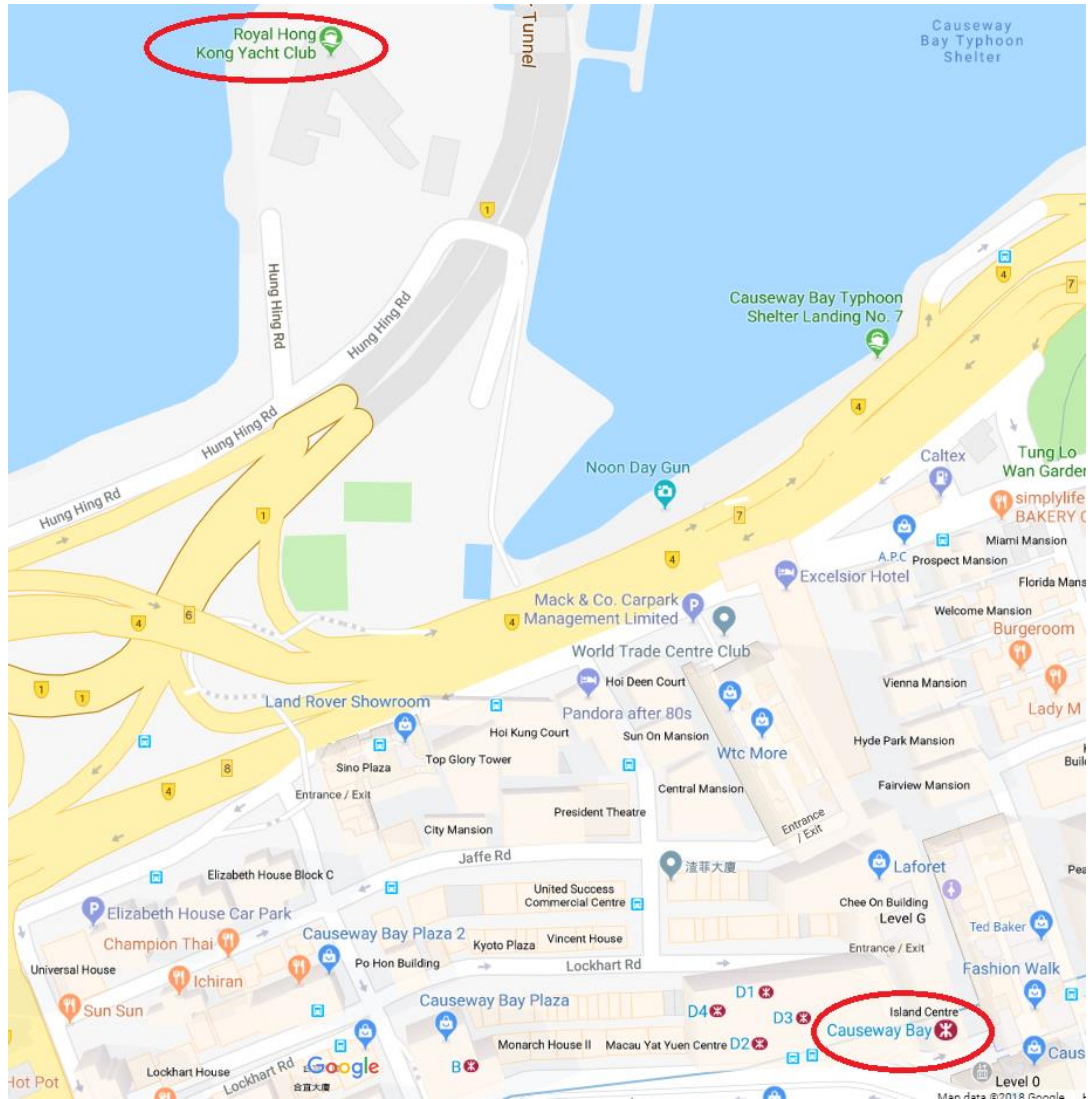
## 13. Transportation

### (a) Airport to/from City (Causeway Bay MTR station)

Public transport services are available from the airport. It takes 24 minutes from airport to Hong Kong Station by using the Airport Express train. Trains depart at about 12-minute intervals daily. It costs 15 USD/single trip. There are free shuttle buses to certain hotels from the Airport Express Stations. Please check the website of Airport Express or enquire from your hotel. Airport Express website: <http://www.mtr.com.hk>

### (b) Accommodation to/from the venue

Public transportation is available for daily internal transport to/from the competition venue. Many areas in Hong Kong are convenient to the venue (some within walking distance) and taxis are relatively inexpensive.



Source: google map

#### 14. Visas

Nationals of about 170 countries and territories may visit Hong Kong without a visa/entry permit for a period ranging from 7 days to 180 days. Please refer to the website of Hong Kong Immigration Department on visa or entry permit requirements for visitors to the HKSAR.

<http://www.immd.gov.hk/eng/services/visas/visit-transit/visit-visa-entry-permit.html>

If you need Visa Invitation, please send the name list and nationality by email as soon as possible. It is necessary to apply for visas in good time. The OC will not be responsible for teams unable to obtain visas due to late application or any other reasons.

## 15. Contact

For all enquires, submission of entries and other information, please contact the OC at the following address:

Secretary Contact Person: Mr Karl MAN

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<b><u>Annex</u></b>	<b><u>Deadline for submission</u></b>
<i>Annex 1: Preliminary Entry</i>	<i>22nd September 2018</i>
<i>Annex 2: Final Entry</i>	<i>22nd October 2018</i>
<i>Annex 3: Final Entry by Name</i>	<i>22nd October 2018</i>
<i>Annex 4: Boat and Oar Rental</i>	<i>22nd October 2018</i>
<i>Annex 4: Accreditation Form – Athletes</i>	<i>22nd October 2018</i>
<i>Annex 5: Accreditation Form – Officials</i>	<i>22nd October 2018</i>
<i>Annex 6: Arrival and Departure Details</i>	<i>22nd October 2018</i>

***Thank you and See you in Hong Kong!***

Partners of Asian Rowing Federation

