

# SHING MUN RIVER REGATTA

## 城門河賽艇賽 2023



### Shing Mun River Regatta IV

As at 24/9/2023

#### Race Notice

Organized by	: Hong Kong, China Rowing Association (HKCRA)
Subvented by	: Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD)
Date	: 8 October 2023 (Sunday)
Time	: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Venue	: Jockey Club Sha Tin Rowing Centre & Jockey Club Shek Mun Rowing Centre
Race Distance	: 1000m & 2000m
Registration Period	: 20 September 2023 (Wednesday) to 26 September 2023 (Tuesday)
Entry Deadline	: <b>Tuesday, 26 September 2023 (12:00 noon, Hong Kong Time)</b>

#### 1. Events

Categories	Groups	Events
Open Events (2000m)	A	Women's 8+
	A	Women's 4x
	A	Women's 2x
	A	Men's 4-
	A	Men's 1x
	B	Women's 4-
	B	Women's 1x
	B	Men's 8+
	B	Men's 4x
	B	Men's 2x
Para-Rowing Events (2000m)	/	PR1 Women's 1x
	/	PR2 Men's 1x
	/	PR2 Mixed 2x
Junior Events (2000m)	/	Men's 2x
	/	Men's 4x+
	/	Women's 2x
	/	Women's 1x
Masters Events (1000m)	A	Men's 1x
	A	Men's 4+
	A	Men's 4x
	A	Women's 2x
	B	Women's 4x
	B	Men's 2x
Corporations & Disciplined Services Events (1000m)	/	Men's R4x+
	/	Women's R4x+

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- 1.1 The final race schedule will be subject to the total number of entries received in each event.
- 1.2 **Open Events** are opened for rowers from different divisions.
- 1.3 **Masters Events** are restricted to rowers who have attained the age of 27 years (Born on or before 31 Dec 1996).
- 1.4 **Junior Events** are restricted to rowers who are the age of 18 years or below (Born on or after 1 Jan 2005).

## 2. Rules of Racing

- 2.1 The races shall be rowed in accordance with the Rules of Racing of the HKCRA. (Please refer to <http://www.rowing.org.hk/hk/rules-of-racing/>).

## 3. Eligibility

- 3.1 **Each participant shall enter a maximum of 1 event from Group A and 1 event from Group B.**
- 3.2 All competitors must be registered with HKCRA as an Ordinary Member (OM) for the purpose of competing any HKCRA regattas. **Persons who are not an Ordinary Member will not be allowed to race and no exceptions will be made under any circumstances.**
- 3.3 Each competitor shall be responsible for his/her own health and fitness and able to swim 50 meters in light clothing. **By submitting the entries, the competitor agrees to and confirm to accept all of the terms, conditions and points made and subsequently raised in the important notes, declarations and conditions in "Notice to Competitors".**
- 3.4 Please submit valid Ordinary Member's names on the **Regatta Central** which Ordinary Member status **MUST be valid on the racing day**, otherwise **the rower CANNOT take part in that regatta** and the HKCRA will charge **HKD100 administrative fee per head**.
- 3.5 The deadline for applying the Ordinary Members' status for entry to this Regatta is **Tuesday, 26 September 2023 (12 noon, HK Time)**, otherwise, he/she will **NOT** be able to submit online application nor to race.
- 3.6 Every crew must enter and compete under the name of a Club registered with the HKCRA: **No rower may compete for two different Clubs at the same Regatta.**

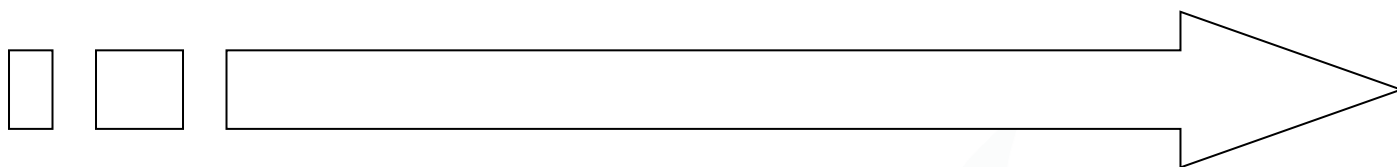
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- 3.7 Competitor (except coxswains) must compete in events of their own gender category.
- 3.8 Coxswains shall be weighed wearing racing uniform on tested scales **not less than one hour and not more than two hours before their first race in each event** in which they are competing on each day of competition. The minimum weight for a coxswain (wearing racing uniform) is 50 kg for Men's events and 40 kg for Women's events. (To make up this weight, a coxswain may carry additional deadweight as close as practicable to his/her person in the boat. No article of racing equipment shall be considered as part of this deadweight.)
- 3.9 Each club shall assign at least **ONE** representative to attend the Team Managers' Meeting. Team Managers' Meeting at 07:50am in Jockey Club Sha Tin Rowing Centre on 8 October 2023 (Sunday). The detail will be announced later.
- 3.10 Club Representatives can collect their Bow Number Plate for each race at the Registration Counter. The Number Plate must be returned directly after the race. A fine of HKD150 will be charged for any loss or damage.
- 3.11 **ONE** representative of each club is required to report at Registration Counter with their crew members' valid HKCRA ordinary member or any identification documents showing the crew's name at the landing stage of Jockey Club Sha Tin Rowing Centre or Jockey Club Shek Mun Rowing Centre 1 hour before the scheduled start time of their race. No final call will be announced.

Report to Registration Counter by 1 representative of each club				
Weight-In	Registration & borrow Number Plate	Withdrawal Form submission (if needed)	Crew Change Form submission (if needed)	Move the race boat to the pontoon and outing
1-2 hrs. before the race start	1 hour before the race start	1 hour before the first heat of the Event	30 minutes before the race start	Suggest 25 minutes before start



- 3.12 Boats leaving the pontoons at both Centres must do so in the direction of the Competition Traffic Circulation Pattern as shown and keep a careful lookout for races in progress and be prepared to give way.
- 3.13 In order to protect the safety of rowers, the bows of all boats shall be fitted with a solid white ball shape, minimum 4 cm in diameter and crews should ensure the racing boat are tightened with heel restraints.

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- 3.14 All crews shall be within 100 meters of the start (the starting area) 15 minutes before the scheduled time of the race. Crews shall not proceed onto the course until instructed to do so by an official at the start. Crews shall be on their starting positions 2 minutes before the scheduled time of the race, unless otherwise instructed by an official.
- 3.15 The starter may start a race without reference to absentees.
- 3.16 In the event of a crew or crews withdrawing and leaving only one crew, that crew may be required to row over the course to be entitled to the medal.
- 3.17 The HKCRA reserves the right to amend the Schedule of Races should circumstances require.
- 3.18 Protests: A crew whose Objection has been rejected or crews affected by the Umpire's decision on the Objection may lodge a Protest in writing to the Jury not later than 30 minutes after the Umpire has advised his/ her decision regarding the Objection. The Protest shall be accompanied by a deposit of HKD500, which amount shall be refunded if the Protest or Appeal is successful. In all cases relating to the conduct of a race, the decision of the jury shall be final and without further appeal.

#### 4. Entry Procedures

- 4.1 Clubs wishing to take part in this regatta should complete the registry through Regatta Central (<https://www.regattacentral.com/>) on **or before Tuesday, 26 September 2023 (12:00 noon, HK Time)**.
- 4.2 **NO late entry will be accepted as the Online System will reject any late entry automatically.**
- 4.3 **The HKCRA will NOT accept any hard copy or email application.**

#### 5. Withdrawals (Refer to rule-44)

- 5.1 If a crew withdraws from an Event for which it has been entered, it shall give notice on the designated form to the HKCRA as early as possible; at the latest, it shall give notice of withdrawal no later than one hour before the first heat of the Event concerned. For any withdrawals received after this time, except when accompanied by a medical certificate, the club/crew shall pay a penalty equal to the entry fee.

***In the case of a withdrawal the HKCRA may conduct a new draw if required. A withdrawal once made is irrevocable. There shall be no refund of entry fee.***

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### 6. Boats and Oars

- 6.1 All competitors must use their private boats and oars for competition. HKCRA boats will only be allocated to Clubs which do not have boats or do not have sufficient boats to compete in an event and **HKCRA will charge the boat rental fee**. Please find HKCRA staff for the details of the boat rental fee.

### 7. Medals

- 7.1 Medals will be awarded to the Champion, 1<sup>st</sup> runner-up and 2<sup>nd</sup> runner-up crews in each event.
- 7.2 For the Masters Event, if the number of entries exceeds the number of racing lanes, the entry will be divided into two or more finals. Medals will be awarded to the Champion, 1<sup>st</sup> runner-up and 2<sup>nd</sup> runner-up crews of each final.
- 7.3 According to Rule 35 of the Rules of Racing, if only one crew is entered for an Event, the Organizing Committee shall cancel the Event and refund the entry fee for that crew. This requirement does not apply to Masters events, where the OC may decide to allow these events to continue, even if only 1 entry. If only ONE crew is entered for Masters Event, the crew could still race with no final rank and medals.
- 7.4 Medals will be presented after each Final immediately in Jockey Club Sha Tin Rowing Centre.
- 7.5 A trophy of "Champion Club" will be awarded to the Club at the end of the year, which gains the highest points of summation from all open events in the Shing Mun Rivers through the year as well as Hong Kong Rowing Championships.

Details of the point scoring system are set out as follows:-

Division	Place					
	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>
OPEN	14	10	8	6	4	2

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## 8. Entry Fees

8.1 Entry fee: All events, **HKD110/entry, exclude coxswains.**

8.2 **Entry Fee should be paid to Regatta Central through Paypal which is an online payment platform (<https://www.paypal.com/hk>).**

8.3 Arrangements for Entry Fee upon Postponement/ Cancellation:

- a) **If the event is rescheduled to be held within one month** – the HKCRA will not refund any entry fees but will apply those entry fees to the rescheduled event. Entry fees will not be refunded even where some entered crews do not compete at the rescheduled event.
- b) **The event cannot be rescheduled and is therefore cancelled** – In view of the need of the HKCRA to bear the logistics and set-up costs, only 50% of the paid entry fee will be refunded.

## 9. Others

9.1 Please note that the HKCRA has the right to film video or take photographs for marketing, promotional and educational purpose.

## 10. Enquiries

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