



CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS 2026
Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club
Saturday 29 August 2026
Middle Island, Hong Kong

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), including Appendix D - Team Racing Rules, and the Sailing Federation of Hong Kong, China Prescriptions.
- 1.2 Races will be umpired. RRS D2 applies.
- 1.3 RRS 40.1 (personal flotation device) applies at all times afloat.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

The SIs will be available from Tuesday 25 August 2026 at <https://www.rhkyc.org.hk/sailing/classes/class-events/championofchampions>

3. SKIPPER ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY AND CREW

- 3.1 A maximum of ten skippers who are each the champion of their RHKYC class will be invited to represent their class in the Champion of Champions 2026.
- 3.2 Entries will only be accepted in response to an invitation from the organising authority.
- 3.3 To enter, a skipper shall confirm acceptance of their invitation by emailing nikki.claringbold@rhkyc.org.hk by 1800hrs on **Monday 17 August 2026**. No entries will be accepted after this time.
- 3.4 Registered skippers shall form a class team to race in the event. The number of crew (including the skipper) is 2 for adult teams and 2-3 for youth teams (each member is 18 years old or under as of 29 August 2026).
- 3.5 The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.
- 3.6 When a registered skipper or crew is unable to sail a scheduled race in the event, the organising authority may authorise a replacement skipper or crew to substitute.

4. ENTRY FEE

The entry fee is HK\$550 per skipper.

5. ADVERTISING

[DP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.

6. EVENT FORMAT

- 6.1 The event will consist of Team Racing in a Random Pairs format. Boats will be scored individually while competing as part of a team. Each boat will be randomly assigned to race in a team with another boat against another team of randomly allocated boats. The skipper of the winning boat at the end of the regatta will be the Champion of Champions.
- 6.2 The organising authority may modify the format during the event in a fair and practical way taking into account the entries, weather conditions, time constraints and any other relevant factors.

7. BOATS AND EQUIPMENT

- 7.1 The event will be sailed in Quests. Spinnakers will not be used.
- 7.2 Boats will be supplied by the organising authority. Competitors are not allowed to add or remove any fittings or ropes but those already in place can be adjusted.

8. SCHEDULE

- 8.1 Registration will be held on Saturday 29 August 2026 from 0830 to 0845hrs.
- 8.2 A briefing will take place on Saturday 29 August 2026 at 0845hrs.
- 8.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 1030hrs.

8.4 If the event is unable to be held on Saturday 29 August 2026, it may be rescheduled to Sunday 30 August 2026.

9. VENUE

The event will be operated from the RHKYC Middle Island clubhouse with racing taking place in the Deepwater Bay, Repulse Bay or Round Island areas.

10. COURSES

The courses will be outlined in the SIs.

11. RACE MANAGEMENT AND UMPIRING

Whilst not racing, competitors may be required to assist the race officer with race management or to assist with umpiring.

13. PRIZES

13.1 The winner will be awarded the RHKYC Champion of Champions Trophy.

13.2 Other prizes may also be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority.

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The race committee, organising authority (RHKYC) and sponsors and their employees and volunteers will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with, or prior to, during or after the event.

15. INSURANCE AND DAMAGE DEPOSIT

15.1 Each participating competitor is encouraged to have his or her own adequate personal accident insurance. The organising authority will provide adequate insurance for the boats supplied by the organising authority.

15.2 Each skipper shall provide a damage deposit of HK\$10,000 at registration. The deposit will be returned if no damage is caused by the skipper or their team during use of the boats.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact: Nikki Claringbold, Assistant Manager – Regattas and Events, Tel: (852) 2239 0363, Email: Nikki.Claringbold@rhkyc.org.hk.