



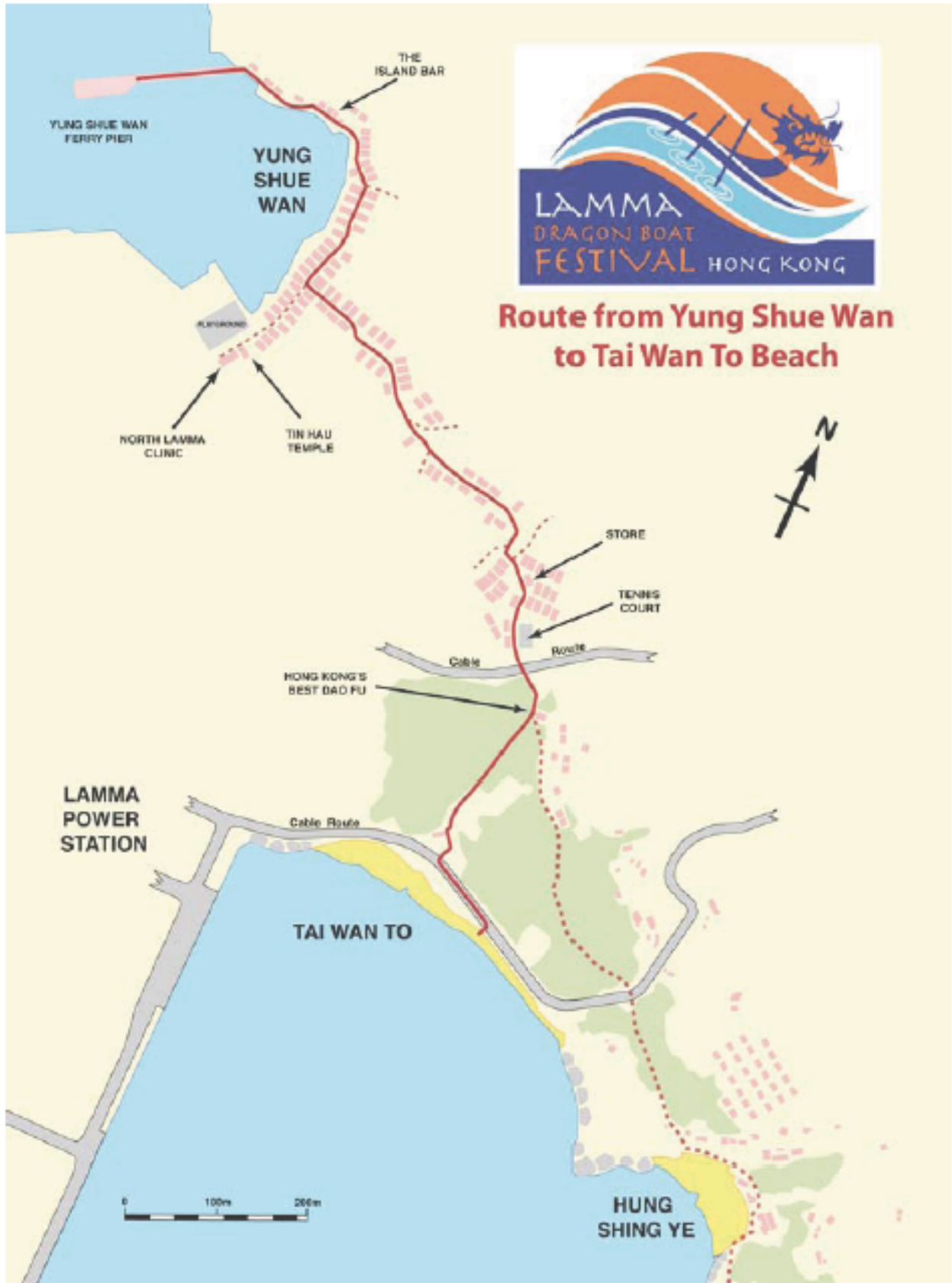
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1. Map to Tai Wan To beach, from Yung Shue Wan pier
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5. Information on travel to Lamma, water supplies, Rules for 500m (short form, see website for full rules) & Rules for 1,000m event.

Please remember to register your arrival at the registration counter on the morning of the event. The registration counter closes at 10:30am.

Important Reminder: Teams should bring their own water bottles for the water stations. We will not be providing single-use water bottles at the event.

MAP TO TAI WAN TO BEACH



HEATS: 1 & 2 (ALL DIVISIONS)**2017 LAMMA 500**

9:00 am	Race 1	Mixed Premier Heat	1/1
9:10 am	Race 2	Mixed Premier Heat	1/2
9:20 am	Race 3	Mixed Premier Heat	1/3
9:30 am	Race 4	Mixed Premier Heat	1/4
9:40 am	Race 5	Mixed Premier Heat	1/5
9:50 am	Race 6	Mixed Premier Heat	1/6
10:00 am	Race 7	Mixed Premier Heat	1/7
10:10am	Race 8	Mixed Youth Heat	1/1
10:20 am	Race 9	Women's Heat	1/1
10:30 am	Race 10	Women's Heat	1/2
10:40 am	Race 11	Women's Heat	1/3
10:50 am	Race 12	Open Men's Heat	1/1
11:00 am	Race 13	Open Men's Heat	1/2
11:10 am	Race 14	Mixed Premier Heat	2/1
11:20 am	Race 15	Mixed Premier Heat	2/2
11:30 am	Race 16	Mixed Premier Heat	2/3
11:40 am	Race 17	Mixed Premier Heat	2/4
11:50 am	Race 18	Mixed Premier Heat	2/5
12:00 pm	Race 19	Mixed Premier Heat	2/6
12:10 pm	Race 20	Mixed Premier Heat	2/7
12:20 pm	Race 21	Mixed Youth Heat	2/1
12:30 pm	Race 22	Women's Heat	2/1
12:40 pm	Race 23	Women's Heat	2/2
12:50 pm	Race 24	Women's Heat	2/3
1:10 pm	Race 25	Open Men's Heat	2/1
1:20 pm	Race 26	Open Men's Heat	2/2

1:20 – 2:10PM LUNCH BREAK & CATCH-UP**1,000M RACE FOR MEN'S, WOMEN'S AND MIXED DIVISIONS**

2:10pm	Race 27	Mixed Premier 1,000m Race	Group 1
2:25pm	Race 28	Mixed Premier 1,000m Race	Group 2
2:40pm	Race 29	Mixed Premier 1,000m Race	Group 3
2:55pm	Race 30	Open Men's & Mix Premier 1,000m Race	Group 2
3:10pm	Race 31	Women's 1,000m Race	Group 1
3:25pm	Race 32	Women's 1,000m Race	Group 2

FINALS (ALL DIVISIONS)

3:35 pm	Race 33	Junior Mixed Final	Cup Final
3:45 pm	Race 34	Mixed Premier	Shield Final
3:55 pm	Race 35	Mixed Premier	Bowl Final
4:05 pm	Race 36	Mixed Premier	Plate Final
4:15 pm	Race 37	Women's	Plate Final
4:25 pm	Race 38	Open Men's	Cup Final
4:35 pm	Race 39	Women's	Cup Final
4:45 pm	Race 40	Mixed Premier	Cup Final

2017 LAMMA 500 RACE PROGRESSION

TIME	LANE	TEAM NAME	RACE NUMBER	TIME	LANE	TEAM NAME	RACE NUMBER	TIME	LANE	TEAM NAME	RACE NUMBER
09:00	1	Team Mushu - Disney	Race 1	09:10	1	BGC Stormy Dragons Mixed	Race 2	09:20	1	Anchor Flying Kiwis	Race 3
	2	Lamma Mixed	Heat 1		2	Spanish Dragons	Heat 1		2	KPMG Hong Kong	Heat 1
	3	RHKYC Yellow	Premier Mix		3	SeaGods Red	Premier Mix		3	KPMG Singapore	Premier Mix
	4	Tai Tam Tigers Mixed			4	VRC Mixed			4	Hungarian Dragons	
	5	CIS Alumni - Maroon Team			5	HSBC Commercial Banking Red			5	Loreley Mixed	
09:30	1	HSBC Commercial Banking White	Race 4	09:40	1	Los Chiles	Race 5	09:50	1	RHKYC Blue	Race 6
	2	German Dragons	Heat 1		2	BNP Paribas	Heat 1		2	Fair Dinkum	Heat 1
	3	SMUGZ Mixed	Premier Mix		3	SeaGods Black	Premier Mix		3	LBC Mixed Blue	Premier Mix
	4	Manudragon			4	South Lantau Paddle Club (SLPC)			4	Way Young Dragon Boat Club	
	5	BlackRock - Team B.A.M.			5	Komodo Dragons			5	KPMG Hong Kong 2	
10:00	1		Race 7	10:10	1		Race 8	10:20	1		Race 9
	2	Sea Cucumbers Mixed	Heat 1		2	CDNIS			2	Lamma Ladies	Heat 1
	3	HKUST Dragon Boat Team	Premier Mix		3	Cogitio College - High Fliers	Junior Mix		3	VRC WOMEN'S	Women
	4	SeaGods White			4	Lamma U18			4	Sea Cucumbers Women	
	5	VPOWER Dragon Boat Team			5	RHKYC JUNIOR			5	Loreley Ladies	
10:30	1	SMUGZ Ladies	Race 10	10:40	1		Race 11	10:50	1		Race 12
	2	Komodo Dragons	Heat 1		2	RHKYC Women	Heat 1		2	RHKYC Men	Heat 1
	3	LBC Women	Women		3	AWA Women	Women		3	HKUST Dragon Boat Team	Men's Open
	4	DB Pirates Ladies			4	Katie's Pink Ladies			4	DSOBA Pa Ho Dee	
	5	Blazing Paddles			5	BGC Stormy Dragons Women			5	LBC Men	
11:00	1		Race 13	11:10	1	5th in Race 5	Race 14	11:20	1	5th in Race 6	Race 15
	2	JPMorgan Dragon Boat Team	Heat 1		2	3rd in Race 3	Heat 2		2	3rd in Race 4	Heat 2
	3	SMUGS Men	Men's Open		3	1st in Race 1	Premier Mix		3	1st in Race 2	Premier Mix
	4	Liechtenstein Princely Navy			4	2nd in Race 2			4	2nd in Race 3	
	5	South Lantau Paddle Club			5	4th in Race 4			5	4th in Race 5	
11:30	1	5th in Race 7	Race 16	11:40	1	5th in Race 1	Race 17	11:50	1	5th in Race 2	Race 18
	2	3rd in Race 5	Heat 2		2	3rd in Race 6	Heat 2		2	3rd in Race 7	Heat 2
	3	1st in Race 3	Premier Mix		3	1st in Race 4	Premier Mix		3	1st in Race 5	Premier Mix
	4	2nd in Race 4			4	2nd in Race 5			4	2nd in Race 6	
	5	4th in Race 6			5	4th in Race 7			5	4th in Race 1	
12:00	1	5th in Race 3	Race 19	12:10	1	5th in Race 4	Race 20	12:20	1		Race 21
	2	3rd in Race 1	Heat 2		2	3rd in Race 2	Heat 2		2	3rd in Race 8	Heat 2
	3	1st in Race 6	Premier Mix		3	1st in Race 7	Premier Mix		3	1st in Race 8	Junior Mix
	4	2nd in Race 7			4	2nd in Race 1			4	2nd in Race 8	
	5	4th in Race 2			5	4th in Race 3			5	4th in Race 8	

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12:30	1	5th in Race 10	Race 22	12:40	1	5th in Race 11	Race 23	12:50	1	5th in Race 9	Race 24
	2	3rd in Race 11	Heat 2		2	3rd in Race 9	Heat 2		2	3rd in Race 10	Heat 2
	3	1st in Race 9	Women		3	1st in Race 10	Women		3	1st in Race 11	Women
	4	2nd in Race 10			4	2nd in Race 11			4	2nd in Race 9	
	5	4th in Race 9			5	4th in Race 10			5	4th in Race 11	
TIME	LANE	TEAM NAME	RACE NUMBER	TIME	LANE	TEAM NAME	RACE NUMBER	TIME	LANE	TEAM NAME	RACE NUMBER
13:00	1		Race 25	13:10	1		Race 26				
	2	3rd in Race 12	Heat 2		2	3rd in Race 13	Heat 2				
	3	1st in Race 12	Men		3	1st in Race 13	Men				
	4	2nd in Race 13			4	2nd in Race 12					
	5	4th in Race 13			5	4th in Race 12					
13:20		LUNCH BREAK		13:20		LUNCH BREAK		13:20		LUNCH BREAK	
TIME	LANE	TEAM NAME	RACE NUMBER	TIME	LANE	TEAM NAME	RACE NUMBER	TIME	LANE	TEAM NAME	RACE NUMBER
14:10	1	RHKYC Blue	Race 27	14:25	1	SMUGZ Mixed	Race 28	14:40	1	Loreley Mixed	Race 29
	2	CIS Alumni - Maroon Team	1,000m		2	VRC Mixed	1,000m		2	Sea Cucumbers Mixed	1,000m
	3	Spanish Dragons	Premier Mix		3	Team Mushu - Disney	Premier Mix		3	KPMG Singapore	Premier Mix
	4	SMUGZ Mixed			4	HSBC Commercial Banking Red			4	Hungarian Dragons	
	5	Manudragon			5	RHKYC Yellow			5	HSBC Commercial Banking White	
	6	SeaGods White			6	SeaGods Black			6	BNP Paribas	
	7	Tai Tam Tigers Mixed			7	VPOWER Dragon Boat Team			7	Lamma Mixed	
	8	BGC Stormy Dragons Mixed			8	LBC Mixed Blue			8	Komodo Dragons	
	9	BlackRock - Team B.A.M.			9	South Lantau Paddle Club (SLPC)			9	Seagods Mixed Red	
	10	Anchor Flying Kiwis			10	HKUST Dragon Boat Team			10	Los Chiles	
TIME	LANE	TEAM NAME	RACE NUMBER	TIME	LANE	TEAM NAME	RACE NUMBER	TIME	LANE	TEAM NAME	RACE NUMBER
14:55	1	LBC Men	Race 30	15:10	1	Loreley Ladies	Race 31	15:25	1	Blazing Paddles	Race 32
	2	Liechtenstein Princely Navy	1,000m		2	DB Pirates Ladies	1,000m		2	Sea Cucumbers Women	1,000m
	3	HKUST Dragon Boat Team	Men		3	Lamma Ladies Combined	Women		3	Komodo Dragons	Women
	4	Team Mushu Men			4	BGC Stormy Dragons Women			4	RHKYC Women	
	5	DSOBA Pa Ho Dee			5	LBC Women			5	VRC WOMEN'S	
	6	JPMorgan Dragon Boat Team			6				6	AWA Women	
	7	RHKYC Men			7				7		
	8	South Lantau Paddle Club (SLPC) Men			8				8		
	9	Fair Dinkum	Mixed		9				9		
	10	Way Young Dragon Boat Club	Mixed		10				10		
TIME	LANE	TEAM NAME	RACE NUMBER	TIME	LANE	TEAM NAME	RACE NUMBER	TIME	LANE	TEAM NAME	RACE NUMBER
15:35	1		Race 33	15:45	1	19th highest score by points from Heats	Race 34	15:55	1	14th highest score by points from Heats	Race 35
	2	4th highest score by points from Heats	Cup Final		2	17th highest score by points from Heats	Shield Final		2	12th highest score by points from Heats	Bowl Final
	3	2nd highest score by points from Heats	Junior Mix		3	16th highest score by points from Heats	Premier Mix		3	11th highest score by points from Heats	Premier Mix
	4	Highest score by points from Heats			4	18th highest score by points from Heats			4	13th highest score by points from Heats	
	5	3rd highest score by points from Heats			5	20th highest score by points from Heats			5	15th highest score by points from Heats	
TIME	LANE	TEAM NAME	RACE NUMBER	TIME	LANE	TEAM NAME	RACE NUMBER	TIME	LANE	TEAM NAME	RACE NUMBER
16:05	1	9th highest score by points from Heats	Race 36	16:15	1	9th highest score by points from Heats	Race 37	16:25	1	4th highest score by points from Heats	Race 38
	2	7th highest score by points from Heats	Plate Final		2	7th highest score by points from Heats	Plate Final		2	2nd highest score by points from Heats	Cup Final
	3	6th highest score by points from Heats	Premier Mix		3	6th highest score by points from Heats	Women		3	Highest score by points from Heats	Open Men
	4	8th highest score by points from Heats			4	8th highest score by points from Heats			4	3rd highest score by points from Heats	
	5	10th highest score by points from Heats			5	10th highest score by points from Heats			5	5th highest score by points from Heats	

TIME	LANE	TEAM NAME	RACE NUMBER	TIME	LANE	TEAM NAME	RACE NUMBER
16:35	1	4th highest score by points from Heats	Race 39	16:45	1	4th highest score by points from Heats	Race 40
	2	2nd highest score by points from Heats	Cup Final		2	2nd highest score by points from Heats	Cup Final
	3	Highest score by points from Heats	Women		3	Highest score by points from Heats	Premier Mix
	4	3rd highest score by points from Heats			4	3rd highest score by points from Heats	
	5	5th highest score by points from Heats			5	5th highest score by points from Heats	

LAMMA 500 INFORMATION

7 May 2017 – Tai Wan To Beach, Lamma Island

STEERSMEN: \$500 for full day per boat crew. Non-refundable. A steersman shall thereafter be made available to the crew all day. Crews cannot pick their steersman; the Race Marshals will assign one. This cost is applied per crew, not to an entire team.

MARQUEES: Ordered in advance for \$500 for the day. There are NO EXTRA marquees available for rent on race day.

WATER: Water is available at the [water filling station](#). We are not providing individual bottles of water; therefore, all crew members are encouraged to bring their own reusable bottles. Water filling is free!

FOOD AND DRINK: Will be for sale at the beach. We also recommend that crews bring their own snacks and food for the event, or pick some food and drink in the village on the way to the beach.

FERRY TIME TABLE – The ferry journey will take 25 minutes by water from Central Pier 4 to Yung Shue Wan. It will take teams at least another 20-25 minutes to get to Tai Wan To beach (without stopping for food/water). If you know you are in the first few races, please be certain to make the earliest ferry available! We recommend showing up at least 15 minutes early for the first ferry.

FERRY TIMES - Costs are \$23.70 per person for ferries.

- 0730hrs – *We highly recommend this ferry.*
- 0800hrs
- 0830hrs
- 0900hrs
- 0930hrs
- 1000hrs

JUNKS ARE WELCOME: There will be a limited number of small boats to ferry paddlers to and from their junks at the event.

We recommend that if the junk has its own tender, you arrange with your junk captain to use it in the event that there is a problem (or delay) in disembarking. Races cannot be delayed because of paddlers' slow return from a team junk. There will be no fee for transport between the junks and the beach. Please note: you may not have a dry landing; expect to get into the water at the beach from the small boat.

PRIZES for 500-metre Race

- Cups and medals in the 500m for Open Men's, Women's, and Mixed Premier divisions (for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place);
- Cups and medals in the 500m Mixed Youth Race (for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place);
- Plates in the 500m for Women's and Mixed Premier divisions (for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place);
- A Bowl in the Mixed Premier division (for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place);
- A Shield in the Mixed Premier division (for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place).

PRIZES for 1,000-Metre:

- Cups and medals for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in the Men's, Women's and Mixed Premier divisions.

Explanation of 500-Metre Tournament Race Progression

Extended race rules are available online at www.Lamma500.com

HEATS 1 & 2

Heat 1: Lane allocation and order of crews was determined by applying a random number sequence generator to the remaining teams. Those numbers were then broken down again to randomly assign crews to their individual heats. *For more information on random number generator sequences, go to <https://www.random.org/sequences/>*

Heat 2:

- Each crew's finishing place in Heat 1 will determine their race number and lane for Heat 2. For information on lane allocation and progression, please see race progression chart for details on how it works.
- Points will be awarded for race placement in Heats 1 and 2 as follows: 1st place will be awarded 6 points, 2nd = 4 points, 3rd = 3 points, 4th = 2 points and 5th = 1 point.
- **Crews will be ranked in order of points tallied from their results in Heats 1 and 2:**
 - Women's**
 - Top 5 ranked crews will go directly to the Women's Cup final;
 - Crews ranked 6th to 10th will go directly to the Women's Plate final.
 - Men's**
 - Top 5 ranked crews will go directly to the Open Men's Cup final;
 - Mixed**
 - Top 5 ranked crews will go directly to the Mixed Premier Cup final;
 - Crews ranked 6th to 10th will go directly to the Mixed Premier Plate final;
 - Crews ranked 11th to 15th will go to Mixed Premier Bowl final;
 - Crews ranked 16th to 20th will go to Mixed Premier Shield final.
- **If teams are tied for points:**
 - Points in the second heat will be given greater weight;
 - If there is still a tie: time from the second race will determine crews' ranking.

500-Metre Race Procedure

Extended race rules are available online at www.Lamma500.com

A) THE STARTING SEQUENCE:

1. A white flag is raised to signal that the race will begin within 2 minutes time. Boats are expected to line up and be ready to go.
2. A red flag will be raised when boats are in alignment. The red flag shows that the start of the race is imminent.
3. The race starter will call "Ready", and then, to start the race, the starter will drop the red flag and sound an air horn. Teams "go" when the red flag drops. (Note: starter will not call "attention" in addition to "ready" call).
4. The starter will blow the air-horn two times if a race start is deemed unfair, and signal for a restart.

Special Notes:

- a. Teams will be warned to stay back (not exceed) the start line. Teams will be given two warnings only to stay back from the start line. If they continue to exceed the start line, they will not be warned a third time, but will be disqualified from the race.
- b. Teams that are deemed to have "jumped" the start will have ONE warning. In the event that they "jump the start" a second time, a disqualification will be applied to that team, regardless of whether the second "jump" occurs in the same heat, or in any subsequent race. To reiterate: once a team has been issued its first warning for "jumping", any second offence of this nature, at any point in the day, will result in disqualification for that race.
- c. Paddles can be held in or out of the water, at the crew's choice.

1,000-METRE RACE RULES & PROCEDURE

The 1,000m race is optional for all teams with a prize CUP AWARDED to First, Second and Third place in the Open Men's, Women's and Mixed Premier categories.

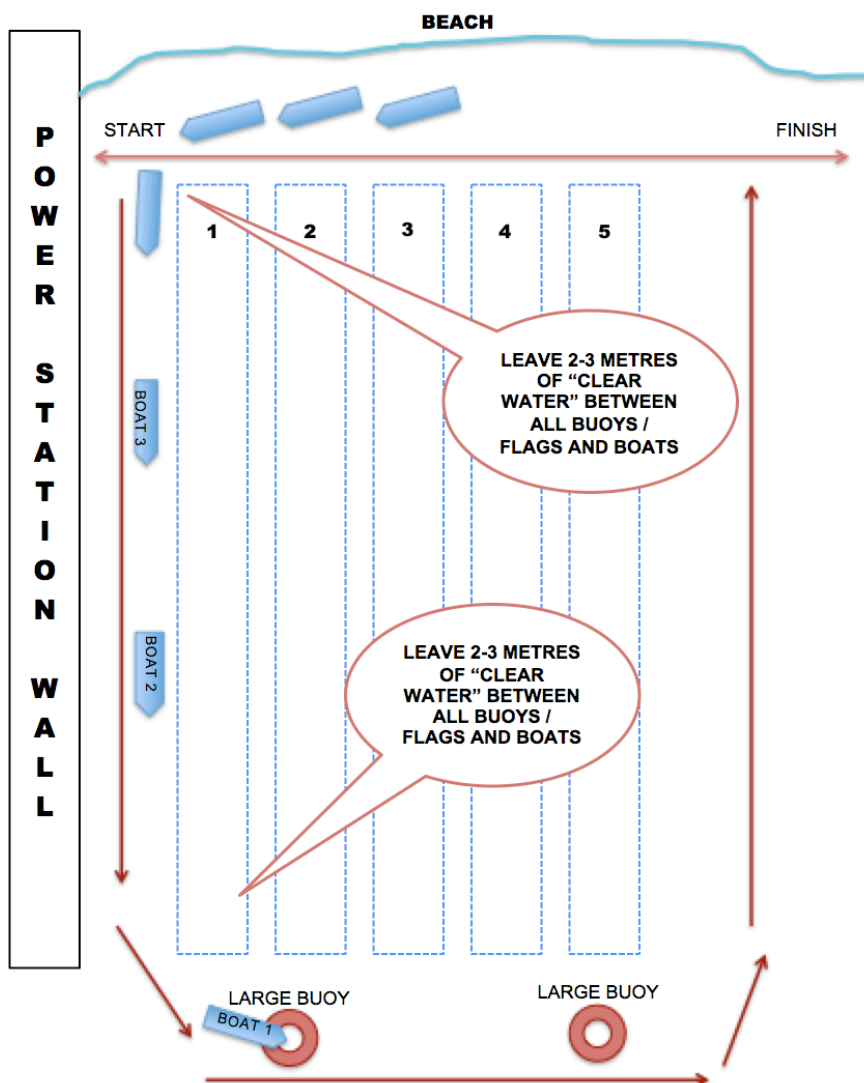
Boats will be lined up in order of their numbers. Crews will be directed to their race boats by the Marshals, and Boat Handlers will hold the boats at the beach until the starter calls them forward.

Crews will paddle around the exterior of the racecourse (counter-clockwise) for a distance of 1,000 metres.

1. Boats will start the race two- to three (2-3) metres to the right-hand side of Lane 1 and proceed up the course (to the right of Lane 1) to the flag that marks the turning position near the top of the lane;
2. Boats will turn left at the marker near the top of Lane 1 and paddle outside the two large marker buoys positioned between lanes 1 and 7 of the course;
3. Boats will then make their second, and final, left-hand after the second large buoy and to race towards the beach. Note: after the second large buoy turn, teams may race in inside our outside Lane 7; their only limitation is to leave reasonable clear water between boats (subject to judge's decision).

It is up to the Team Captain to be advised of this starting procedure and to check if the steersperson understands the turning process. If there are any questions, they should be put to the Chief Official, Mike Tanner, at least one hour in advance of the race start.

IN DETAILS: RULES / PROCEDURES



A) GENERAL INFORMATION:

- **The Racing Course:** The Racing Course is circulatory, with two straight sections and two turns in one circuit of the Course (see Map).
- **Racing shall take place in an anti-clockwise direction.** Crews are not permitted to race on the inside of the buoys marking the left hand edge of the Racing Lane.
- **A Crews position in a Line of Racing:** Crews must steer a straight course down the Line of Racing during the whole of the race, except when overtaking.
- **Distance from turning buoys on overtake:** The Steerer/Helm, when not overtaking another boat, is responsible for maintaining a distance of two- to three (2-3) metres from the buoys on the boat's left (port) side, to allow crews who may be overtaking on the port side to have as much clear water as possible.
- **Clear Water rules.** Crews taking other Lines of Racing to overtake must observe a 'clear water' rule between boats. If a crew does not keep at least 1-metre of clear water between boats,

and in so doing, causes any other boat(s) to steer an unreasonably wide course to maintain their Line of Racing or avoid a collision, then a Time Penalty of 5-10 seconds may be awarded by the Chief Official. When a crew that is being overtaken alters its course and makes difficulties for the overtaking boat, the Chief Official may award the same Time Penalties.

B) STARTING PROCEDURES AND FORMATS:

Boats shall be started at intervals, that is, a 'staggered' start. The starter shall call each boat forward, and count them down to their start. The first crew should be positioned on the 'right of the line' looking up the course and 2-3-metres to the right of the lane marker.

B1. INTERVAL COUNTING PROCEDURE:

- a. All boats will line up as per the Marshals instructions, one following another;
- b. Boats shall paddle to the start line on the Marshal's instructions and in the order of their boat numbers. Failure to comply with Marshals directions may result in a time penalty, applied at the discretion of the Chief Official;
- c. The Starter will call Boat 1 to the start line. At the starter's call, the boat will come forward and the starter will count down from 10 seconds (or 15 seconds if conditions are rough); **the boat must cross the start line within those 10 seconds;**
- d. The starter will call Boat 2 to the start line immediately after Boat Number 1 has crossed the line, and the count down will start again. The starter will count down from 10 (or 15 seconds if conditions are rough) seconds immediately following the previous boat's start.
- e. This process will be repeated for all the remaining race boats.

B2. CLARIFICATION OF STARTING POSITION & EARLY STARTS: On the Start command, the first crew shall begin. Crews may cross the start line before the starter completes his countdown, without penalty. A crews' time will begin when they cross the line.

B3. LATE AT THE START: Failure to be at the Start Line on time will **not** prevent the Starter from starting the next crew in the line. If it takes more than the 10-count of the starter to cross the line, the extra time will be added to the crew's overall time around the course, ie: time will be taken from the end of the 10-second count. (Exceptions may be considered at the Umpire or Chief Official's discretion.)

***Note:** The time interval between each crew starting shall be determined by the prevailing water and weather conditions*

D1. OVERTAKING:

Overtaking can be carried out to the left of the boat being overtaken, except when the width of the Racing Lane allows crews to overtake in clear water to the right of the boat (see rule C1 below). **A boat is judged to be in the process of overtaking when the Head of the overtaking boat is level with or has passed the Steerer/Helm in the boat being overtaken.**

- C1.** Overtaking on the right (starboard side) is restricted to the first 300 metres (prior to first turn) or last 400 metres (after second turn) of a race.
- C2.** When approaching a Turn, overtaking is only permitted on the left (portside) of the boat being overtaken. The crew being overtaken must give way and allow 'clear water' to the overtaking crew.
- C3.** A crew overtaking on the right (outside) of another boat must hold their station (maintain course) and keep 'clear water', with the boat they are overtaking until the approaching turn has been negotiated, after which time they can complete the overtaking manoeuvre.
- C4.** A boat about to be overtaken must not alter its Line of Racing once the Head of the overtaking boat is level with or has passed the Steerer/Helm in the boat being overtaken.
- C5.** When overtaking or being overtaken, Steerers must maintain a minimum of 1-metre of clear water between the paddles of their own boat and other boats in the race.
- C6.** If, in the opinion of the Chief Official, any racing manoeuvre by an overtaking crew, or a lack of clear water between boats, has endangered the safety of another crew, or materially affected the result of the race, the offending crew shall be disqualified from the race.

C7. A crew's race time that has been adversely affected by the actions of another crew, that is, when a course Umpire or Chief Official has confirmed that time has been lost through an obstruction or impediment of the crew concerned, a Time Deduction Bonus, of up to 20 seconds, may be awarded.

D2. TURNING:

Steerers are to ensure that Turning Point buoys are kept on the left side of the boat. That is: the boat must pass to the right of all the buoys and not inside any Turning Buoy.

D1. A crew will not be disqualified for touching a Turn Buoy, or for having less than two- to three (2-3) metres of clear water between the boat and the buoy, unless in the opinion of a Course Umpire or Chief Official, a material advantage has been gained or the safety of any crew undertaking the turn, at the same time, has been compromised.

D2. When more than one crew is making a turn, at the same Turning Point, then a crew on the outside line must leave room for a crew on an inside line to follow the line of the turning point buoys in safety. That is: clear water between the paddles in adjacent boats, must be maintained around the turns.

D3. Similarly a crew on an inside line must not make difficulties for a crew holding station on an outside line by, for example, steering wide around the Turning Point. If in the opinion of the Chief Official a crew has not attempted to steer in a safe manner around a turn, then Time Penalties may be awarded against the offending crew(s).

D4. Last 400m. When a crew has completed its final turn and is in the last 400m straight of the race, it may overtake on either side of another boat, provided that clear water is given to any other boat on the Racing Course. The crew has finished the race when the foremost part of the boat (dragon head) crosses the line. Boats can finish in any lane.

D3. IMPEDING / COLLISIONS:

If during the course of the race a boat impedes or collides with another boat the Chief Official shall apportion blame. If the Chief Official decides that a boat has impeded the forward motion of another boat, or that the crew in the impeded boat had, by necessity, to stop paddling; then a Time Penalty of up to thirty (30) seconds may be awarded to the impeding crew. A Time Bonus may also be awarded to the impeded boat. If a collision occurs between two boats, the Chief Official may choose to allow the boat that is not at fault to race again in a later heat. The boat responsible for the collision will not re-race.

D4. COURSE UMPIRES:

To assist the Chief Official in implementing these rules and other Rules of Racing in general, Course Umpires will be positioned on the Racing Course to afford full observation and supervision of the crews in the race. A boat will be stationed inside each Turning Point to observe the crews negotiating the Turn Buoys.

D5. CREW TIMES, PLACINGS AND THE RACE WINNERS:

As a staggered start is used, the Start Times (*based on intervals, not when the boats pass the start line marker*) will be compared against the Finish Times recorded for crews. The resulting Time Differential will be used to calculate a crew's actual Race Time. Any race Time Penalties incurred by a crew will then be added to give a crew its Gross Race Time.

NO PROTESTS WILL BE ALLOWED FOR THIS RACE; ALL DECISIONS OF THE CHIEF OFFICIAL ARE FINAL.