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69th Festival of Sport – Dragon Boat Competition

Race Bulletin

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Date : 19 April 2026 (Sunday)
 Time : 1000 – 1700 hours
 Venue : HKCDBA Shek Mun Training Centre, On King Street, Shek Mun, Shatin, New Territories

Categories	Small Boat (12)		Entry fees (HK\$)
	Quota (Team)	Distance (M)	
Open Championship	24	200	2026-27 Club member \$1,200 per team
Mixed Championship	24		
Women Championship	12		
Senior A Open Championship	12		
Senior B Open Championship	6		
Senior C Open Championship	6		
Youth Championship U24	6		
Post-secondary Open Championship	12		
Post-secondary Women Championship	12		2026-27 Club member \$1,000 per team
			Non-club member \$1,500 per team

Categories	Entry requirement
All team members must be	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Able to swim at least 50 meters in light clothing; • Aged 12 or above as of 19 April 2026; • All athletes are required to have valid HKCDBA membership card; • Under the age of 18 on or before 19 April 2026 must wear Personal Floatation Device (PFD)
Open Championship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No gender limitation.
Mixed Championship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must consist of at least 4 and not more than 5 paddlers of either gender; • No gender limitation for helm and drummer.
Women Championship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All paddlers, helm and drummer must be female.
Senior A Open Championship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aged 40 or above on or before 1 January 2026, no limitation for helm and drummer. • No gender limitation.
Senior B Open Championship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aged 50 or above on or before 1 January 2026, no limitation for helm and drummer. • No gender limitation.
Senior C Open Championship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aged 60 or above on or before 1 January 2026, no limitation for helm and drummer. • No gender limitation.
Youth Championship U24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Under the age of 24 (Birth from 1 January 2002 or after), no limitation for helm and drummer. • No gender limitation.
Post-secondary Open Championship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All athletes must be students of respective institutions for at least one month or graduates within three months, no limitation for helm and drummer; • Please submit copies of related Student ID cards; • No gender limitation.
Post-secondary Women Championship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All athletes must be students of respective institutions for at least one month or graduates within three months, no limitation for helm and drummer; • Please submit copies of related Student ID cards; • Restricted to female paddlers and drummer, except helm.

<p>First phase of online registration From 20 February (Fri) to 26 March (Thur)</p>	<p>Team managers must</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Login Online system: https://hkcdba.azurewebsites.net/login 2. Register HKCDBA System account; 3. Create a team and become the team manager; 4. Register race category(ies) by access Home Page - Race Schedule. <p>All quota(s) will be assigned on first-come-first-served basis. Late Submission will not be accepted. (Note: Successful entries will rest with the total number of participating teams.)</p>
<p>Second phase of online registration From 27 March (Fri) to 10 April (Fri)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Team members register as 2026-27 HKCDBA Individual member; 2. On the race day, team manager can complete the marshalling by presenting valid individual membership cards for the athletes, without the need to submit a crew list in advance. 3. Team managers shall pay the entry fees for registered races by credit card or bank transfer.
<p>15 April (Wed) 1930 hours</p>	<p>Draw of race lanes and Team Managers' Meeting Results will be announced on HKCDBA website after the meeting. HKCDBA will conduct briefing on race rules and regulations, race format, on-site arrangement and distribute race materials (if any). Venue: Hong Kong China Dragon Boat Association Secretariat Address: Unit 9, 15/F, Laurels Industrial Centre, 32 Tai Yau Street, San Po Kong, Kowloon</p> <p><u>NOTE: All teams must comply with the race rules and regulations and arrangements announced at the Team Managers' meeting.</u></p>
<p>Awards</p>	<p>: All Championships, final A and final B - Champion, 1st runner-up and 2nd runner-up of each category will be awarded a Trophy and 18 Medals;</p>
<p>Equipment</p>	<p>: HKCDBA will provide all equipment; Athletes can use their own paddles for the race, the requirement of the paddles must comply with 5.2 Amendments for HKCDBA Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing; HKCDBA will provide 200 units of Personal Floatation Device (PFD) free of charge on a first-come, first-served basis.</p> <p>Athletes can use their own Personal Floatation Device (PFD) for racing, except the Inflatable PFD.</p>
<p>Competitions Regulations and Rules of Racing</p>	<p>: It will be run in accordance to the latest version of IDBF Competitions Regulations and Rules of Racing and the latest version of Amendments for HKCDBA Competitions Regulations and Rules of Racing. For details, please refer to the relevant tournament rules.</p>

Crew Marquee Arrangement : Each team may apply to rent a marquee by 27 March. The rental fee for each marquee is HK\$500, which includes installation and dismantling. Please email the transaction record to the Secretariat for confirmation.

For applications submitted after the deadline, the rental fee remains HK\$500, but teams will be responsible for their own installation and dismantling. Additionally, a refundable deposit of HK\$600 will be required.

Due to the limited number of marquees, they will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. The actual number of marquees may vary based on the setup conditions, and specific locations will be announced later. Please note that once a marquee is reserved and payment is made, the rental fee will not be refunded if you wish to cancel the reservation.

(Cheque payable to: Hong Kong China Dragon Boat Association)

Safeguarding National Security : Participants are prohibited from committing or attempting to commit any act in violation of the laws of the HKSAR and the National Security Law governing the HKSAR. Participants' act must not be contrary to the interest of national security.

HKCDBA has the right to prohibit any participant who performs any act or displays any form of message that arouses public concern or is otherwise deemed inappropriate by HKCDBA to participate in the event from joining / continuing the event

Marine Safety (Alcohol and Drugs) Ordinance (Cap. 649) : All participants should observe the following laws against drink and drug boating in Hong Kong waters:

1. A person must not operate a vessel that is underway while the person is under the influence of alcohol to such an extent as to be incapable of having proper control of the vessel.
2. A person must not perform any designated duty on board a vessel that is underway while the person is under the influence of alcohol to such an extent as to be incapable of performing the designated duty properly on board the vessel.
3. A person who contravenes subsection (1) or (2) commits an offence and is liable—
 - a) on summary conviction—
 - i. if the person has never previously been convicted of any Part 2 offence, whether on summary conviction or on conviction on indictment—to a fine at level 3 and to imprisonment for 6 months; or

- ii. in any other case—to a fine at level 4 and to imprisonment for 12 months; or
 - b) on conviction on indictment—to a fine at level 4 and to imprisonment for 3 years.
4. If a court or magistrate convicts a person of an offence in accordance with subsection (3), the court or magistrate must order that the person be disqualified—
 - a) If the person has never previously been convicted of any Part 2 offence— for a period of not less than 2 years; or
 - b) In any other case— for a period of not less than 5 years.

Arrangement under Inclement Weather :

- If typhoon signal No. 3 or above, red or black rainstorm warning signal is in force at 0700 hours. on the race day, all the races will be cancelled. Entry fee would not be refunded.
- If thunderstorm warning, typhoon signal No. 1, amber rainstorm warning signal is in force on the race day, all teams shall report on time. Cancellation or delay of races is subject to the final decision of organizing committee. All teams should obey the arrangement announced by organizing committee.
- In case weather condition is getting worse during the races, the organizer reserves the right to cancel or postpone the race. Entry fee would not be refunded.

Enquiry :

Hong Kong China Dragon Boat Association Secretariat
Address : Unit 9, 15/F, Laurels Industrial Centre, 32 Tai Yau Street, San Po Kong, Kowloon
Tel : (852) 3110 0079 Email : championships@hkcdba.org

Race By-Law

- 1) All athletes must be 2026-27 HKCDBA individual members.
- 2) Maximum number of athletes in each team should be 20 (i.e., 1 team manager, 1 coach, 1 drummer, 1 helm, 8 – 16 paddlers)
- 3) With the concern of safety under inclement weather condition, HKCDBA organizing committee reserves the right to decide the number of athletes on boat.
- 4) Team Manager: each team must have a Team Manager or the appointed Team Manager who is required to standby in the Crew Assembly Area, i.e., easily be seen and called by Race Officials, during the time when the team is racing.
- 5) Coach: Team Manager can assign the team coach to race during the second phase of online registration, he/ she must observe the entry requirements of respective races. For coaches who would race in any championships, they must register as athletes.
- 6) Substitution of drummer or helm: anyone on the registered crew list is allowed to act as the backup of the drummer or helm.
- 7) All athletes are not allowed to represent more than 1 team in each category. Sub-teams under the same team's name Team A and Team B are regarded as 2 teams in the same category.
- 8) Entries of Post-secondary Open and Post-secondary Women categories should submit crew identity declaration forms together with copies of students ID cards through email. Athletes of these categories should present the ORIGINAL copy of their student ID cards for onsite identification check on the event day.
- 9) All teams are required to report to the crew assembly area and be ready to embark 30 minutes before the Race or 4 races prior to the scheduled start time (shorter access time prevail).
- 10) Teams will be disqualified if they are found not meeting the entry requirements.
- 11) There is no limitation on the number of entries for each organization.
- 12) Categories with less than 3 entries. HKCDBA organizing committee reserves the right to cancel without prior notice.
- 13) HKCDBA organizing committee reserves the right to refuse any entry into the races at its sole discretion without given any reasons.
- 14) Any team or athlete who don't demonstrate a good sportsmanship may be disqualified.
- 15) Any team, including Team Manager, Coach, Athletes and Crew Members, who severely contravenes rules and regulations or disciplinary code will be disqualified, and are not entitled for any awards, even suspension from participating in any events hosted/cohosted/co-organized by the HKCDBA.
- 16) Any action violates the law of Hong Kong government by the team or athlete may result in disqualification and no refund will be allowed.
- 17) In case of any dispute, the decision of HKCDBA should be final and reserves the right to revise the race regulations at its sole discretion.
- 18) The organizer reserves the right to use any images, audio recordings or photos taken during the event for promotional purposes without prior consent from participants
- 19) If there is any inconsistency between the English version and Chinese version, the Chinese version shall prevail.