



China Coast Race Week 2011 Notice of Race



CHINA COAST REGATTA 2011 and VINACAPITAL HONG KONG TO VIETNAM RACE 2011

The Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club cordially invites entries from yachts for our well-established annual China Coast Race Week.

The CCRW comprises of China Coast Regatta 2011, sailed over three days in the waters south of Hong Kong, followed by the VinaCapital Hong Kong to Vietnam Race 2011. This Offshore Category One race is a 656 mile, biennial ('downhill') fast passage to Nha Trang, on the south eastern coast of Vietnam and rightly earns the title of Asia's longest blue water race.

Nha Trang is a great starting point for boats intending to continue on to other seasonal sailing events around the established Asian Circuit in Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand and Australia.

Boats are welcome to enter the full China Coast Race Week 2011 or to enter either of its constituent parts, to suit their own time schedule. Both the China Coast Regatta 2011 and the VinaCapital Hong Kong to Vietnam Race 2011 are stand-alone events and have their own Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions, parties and prizes. Boats competing in both events will be eligible for the overall China Coast Race Week 2011 prizes!

China Coast Race Week 2011 14th – 24th October

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1. RULES

- 1.1 The China Coast Regatta 2011 and the VinaCapital Hong Kong to Vietnam Race 2011 will be governed by their own respective Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 Boats competing in the China Coast Race Week 2011 will be able to compete under separate endorsed IRC certificates for the China Coast Regatta 2011 and the VinaCapital Hong Kong to Vietnam Race 2011 as long as they are submitted by the declared deadlines as stated in the respective Notice of Race for each separate event.
- 1.3 **Endorsed or otherwise IRC certificates submitted after these deadlines will not be accepted by either the China Coast Regatta 2011 or VinaCapital HK to Vietnam Race 2011 committee's under any circumstances.**

2. SCORING

- 2.1 Scoring for the **China Coast Race Week 2011** will be in accordance with Appendix A of the RRS. Rule A9 will be applicable and the low point scoring system shall apply. **No discards will be allowed in the overall China Coast Race Week 2011.**
- 2.2 Boats wishing to compete in the overall **China Coast Race Week 2011 - China Coast Regatta 2011 and the VinaCapital Hong Kong to Vietnam Race 2011** **must complete** the VinaCapital Hong Kong to Vietnam Race 2011 to be eligible for the overall results.

3. PRIZES

- 3.1 Prizes will be awarded to the winner overall in each class, or in any division of a class, for boats taking part in races of the **China Coast Race Week 2011 – China Coast Regatta 2011 and the VinaCapital Hong Kong to Vietnam Race 2011.**

4. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 4.1 Yacht racing can be dangerous. The attention of owners and skipper is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone" and to Special Regulation 1.02 (first point) which begins "The safety of a yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Person-in-charge..."

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- 4.2 The Organising Authority (RHKYC), Race Committee, sponsor(s), 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.
- 4.3 Owners and skippers are invited to co-operate closely with the Organising Authority, Race Committee and RHKYC Sailing Office in completing the formalities of their boat entries by submission of all required information, certificates, forms, etc. within the deadline dates quoted throughout the China Coast Regatta 2011 Notice of Race and/or the VinaCapital Hong Kong to Vietnam 2011 Notice of Race. It is the sole responsibility of the owners and/or skippers to comply with the deadline dates and failure to do so in respect of any aspect will be treated as a failure to enter the Regatta or the Offshore race, in which case, boats will not be eligible to compete **unless** evidence of genuine extenuating circumstances for the lateness is accepted by the respective event Race Committee's.
- 5. INSURANCE**
For both the China Coast Regatta 2011 and the VinaCapital Hong Kong to Vietnam Race 2011 all boats shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance of the minimum cover required by Government (HK SAR) regulations.
- 6. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**
- 6.1 Yachts entering from overseas, please contact **Roger Eastham – RHKYC Marine Services Manager** at: roger.eastham@rhkyc.org.hk, Tel: +852 2239 0308, Fax: +852 2572 5399, Mobile +852 9750 2251 for all details regarding facilities, berthing and commissioning prior to the race and/or regatta. For race management, please contact **Alex Johnston – RHKYC Sailing Manager** at: alex.johnston@rhkyc.org.hk Tel: +852 2239 0362, Fax: +852 2239 0364.
- 6.2 Other details and requirements for the China Coast Race Week 2011 will be set out in the respective China Coast Regatta 2011 Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions plus the VinaCapital Hong Kong to Vietnam Race 2011 Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions as published on the China Coast Race Week website: www.chinacoastraceweek.com