



# Hong Kong International Dragon Boat Races 2013

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**Bulletin (1)**  
**Announced on 4 March 2013**

## Dear all local and overseas Dragon Boat teams

You are cordially invited to participate in the Hong Kong International Dragon Boat Races 2013 (IDBR 2013), which is tentatively scheduled for **21 - 23 June 2013**. Jointly organized by the Hong Kong China Dragon Boat Association and Hong Kong Tourism Board, the Dragon Boat Races will again be held at the beautiful Victoria Harbour in Hong Kong along with a series of celebrating events.

## **Tentative Outline of the Programme**

Date	Programme
18 Mar 2013 (Mon)	Preliminary Entry
11 Apr 2013 (Thu)	Confirmation of Crew List
4 June 2013 (Tue) 7pm	Drawing of Race Lanes (Draw result will be announced on website) Address: 1/F Meeting Room, Olympic House, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong
20 Jun 2013 (Thu) 7pm	Team Managers Meeting (Briefing of race regulations, race format, arrangement and distribution of materials) Address: 1/F Meeting Room, Olympic House, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong
21 Jun 2013 (Fri) 6:30pm	Opening Ceremony UC Centenary Garden, East Tsim Sha Tsui
21 Jun 2013 (Fri)	Overseas Teams Practice Session Race Days – All overseas and local small boat 250m championships
22 Jun 2013 (Sat)	Race Days – Overseas and local small boat 500m championships
23 Jun 2013 (Sun)	Race Days – Overseas and local small boat 500m championships All local standard boat invitational championships
23 Jun 2013 (Sun) 6:30pm	Celebration Dinner Venue to be confirmed

Competing crews are advised to arrive in Hong Kong on 20 June 2013. Crews arriving earlier will not be catered for official reception.



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## Race rules and regulation

The races will be run in accordance with the IDBF Rules and Regulations and HKCDBA Hong Kong Amendments (1st Edition) (revised version released on 1 Mar 2011). Please download the race rules and regulation from HKCDBA website <http://www.hkdba.com.hk>.

**\*\* All team managers and participants should be familiar with the race rules and regulations.**

## Race Format

To be announced at the team managers' meeting.

## Awards

Standard Boat Categories – 1 Trophy and 30 medals for each winning team

Small Boat Categories – 1 Trophy and 20 medals for each winning team

## Race by-law

- 1) There is no limitation on the number of entries by each organisation.
- 2) Each paddler cannot represent different teams (sub-teams under the same team's name (Team A, Team B) are regarded as different teams) in the same category. All participants should be holders of the HKCDBA Year 2013 Athlete registration card.
- 3) Standard Boat Races: Maximum number of participants in each team should be 30 including 1 team manager, 1 coach, 1 drummer, 1 steersman, 18 paddlers and 8 reserves.
- 4) Small Boat Races: Maximum number of participants in each team should be 20 including 1 team manager, 1 coach, 1 drummer, 1 steersman, 10 paddlers and 6 reserves.
- 5) The coach can take the position of drummer or steersman with clear indication on the crew registration form.
- 6) Reserves for paddlers, drummer and steersman should meet the entry requirement of the corresponding categories.
- 7) Category with less than **3 participating teams** will be cancelled.
- 8) Participants may use their own paddles which must be in accordance with the 5.2 Amendments of HKCDBA Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing.
- 9) HKCDBA organizing committee reserves the right to refuse any entry into the races at its sole discretion.
- 10) Any team who severely contravenes rules and regulations or disciplinary code will be disqualified, and are not entitled for any awards.
- 11) HKCDBA reserves the right to restrict the number of first-string paddlers under inclement weather condition for safety reason.
- 12) In case of illegal construction or illegal occupation of public area or destruction of facilities / planting, teams may be prosecuted and disqualified with no refund, please note.



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## Race Categories and Fee

Categories	Standard Boat	Small Boat		Entry Fee (Per team per category)	Quota
	500m	500m	250m		
<b>International Championships - Oversea Teams Only</b>					
International Open	✓	✓	✓	Standard Boat HK\$3,000 Small Boat HK\$1,500	No limits
International Mixed	✓	✓	✓		
International Women	✓	✓	✓		
International Paradrakon	✓	✓	✓		
<b>Local Championships – Local Teams Only</b>					
Open	✓	✗	✓	Standard Boat HK\$3,000 Small Boat HK\$1,500	No limits
Mixed	✓	✗	✓		
Women	✓	✗	✓		
Senior O40	✓	✗	✓		
Junior U23	✓	✗	✓	Standard Boat HK\$1,500 Small Boat HK\$800	No limits
Inter-Company	✓	✗	✓		
Travel Industry & Hotel	✓	✗	✓		
Bank	✓	✗	✓	Standard Boat HK\$3,000 Small Boat HK\$1,500	
<b>Invitational Races – Invited Teams Only</b>					
Hong Kong Districts	✓	✗	✗	Standard Boat HK\$3,000	16
District Fishermen	✓	✗	✗		16
Professionals	✓	✗	✗		8
Disciplinary Forces	✓	✗	✗		8
Universities	✓	✗	✗	Standard Boat HK\$1,500	16
<b>Welcome all teams which have joined the above listed category</b>					
Fancy Costume	✓	✗	✗	Free of charge	No limits

**\*\* Teams do not require marquees, entry fee HK\$300/team will be deducted.**

**In case of illegal construction or illegal occupation of public area or destruction of facilities / planting, teams may be prosecuted and disqualified with no refund, please note.**

**Due to time constraint, the Organizing Committee reserves the right to set quotas in each category and accept entries on first come, first served basis.**



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## Entry Requirement

Categories	Entry Requirement
All participants must be	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Able to swim at least 100m without wearing life jacket;</li> <li>• Holders of 2013 Athlete Registration Cards; and</li> <li>• Aged 12 or above as of 1 Jan 2013</li> </ul>
Team Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Each crew <b>must have a Team Manager</b>, who must present in the Crew Assembly Area during the time that the crew is racing and is under the control of Race Officials.</li> </ul>
Coach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Each crew may have a team coach, who, if officially registered with the team in the crew list</li> <li>• If the coach acts as the drummer or steersman of the team, he / she should be holder of HKCDBA Year 2013 athlete registration card and meet the entry requirement of the corresponding categories.</li> </ul>
Substitutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paddlers, drummer and steersman should meet the entry requirement of the corresponding categories.</li> </ul>
International Open Open	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No gender limitation</li> </ul>
International Mixed Mixed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 8-12 female paddlers in Standard Boat</li> <li>• 4-6 female paddlers in Small Boat</li> </ul>
International Women Women	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Restricted to female paddlers, except steersman and drummer.</li> </ul>
International Paradrragon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All overseas and local Paradrragon Teams are welcome</li> <li>• No gender limitation</li> <li>• Except for the steersman and drummer, the number of able-bodied paddlers should not exceed half of the paddlers in the team.</li> <li>• Disabled paddlers should provide a copy of the Registration Card for People with Disabilities</li> </ul>
Senior O40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aged 40 or above as of 1 Jan 2013</li> </ul>
Inter-Company	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For companies with valid Business Registration Certificates only. Teams should provide a copy of valid Business Registration Certificates.</li> <li>• No gender limitation</li> <li>• All participants must be full-time staff of the organization</li> <li>• Participants should provide a copy of their staff ID or certification letter</li> </ul>
Travel Industry & Hotel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For Hong Kong Hotels Association member hotels and licensed travel agents only</li> <li>• No gender limitation</li> <li>• All participants must be full-time staff of the organization</li> <li>• Participants should provide a copy of their staff ID or certification letter</li> </ul>
Bank	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For licensed banks under the supervision of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority only</li> <li>• No gender limitation</li> <li>• All participants must be full-time staff of the organization</li> <li>• Participants should provide a copy of their staff ID or certification letter</li> </ul>
Junior U23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aged below 23 as of 1 Jan 2013</li> </ul>



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Categories	Entry Requirement
District Fishermen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Each district is eligible to send ONE representative fishermen team</li> <li>No gender limitation</li> </ul>
Professionals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For designated professional bodies which represent the following registered practicing professionals (including accountants, architects, surveyors, planners, landscape architects, engineers, barristers, lawyers, doctors, dentists &amp; chartered secretaries) &amp; is responsible for setting the standards for professional services &amp; performance (including establishing / administering codes of conduct &amp; / or determining / granting professional qualifications); organisations representing other professional fields &amp; other organisation representing the above professional fields are welcome to join various Local Championships.</li> <li>No gender limitation</li> <li>All participants must be members of the professional bodies</li> <li>Participants should provide valid proof of membership</li> </ul>
Hong Kong Districts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Limited to the 18 District Councils</li> <li>No gender limitation</li> <li>All participants must be District Council Members or staff</li> <li>District Council staff should provide a copy of their staff ID or certification letter</li> </ul>
Disciplinary Forces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Limited to the Hong Kong Police Force, Immigration Department, Fire Services Department, Customs and Excise Department, Government Flying Service, Hong Kong Correctional Services, Civil Aid Service and Auxiliary Medical Services</li> <li>No gender limitation</li> <li>All participants must be full-time staff of the Department</li> <li>Participants should provide a copy of their staff ID or certification letter</li> </ul>
Universities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Limited to the Education Bureau registered universities (including the City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong Baptist University, Lingnan University, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, The University of Hong Kong, The Open University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong Shue Yan University). Other higher education institutions are welcome to join various Local Championships.</li> <li>No gender limitation</li> <li>All participants must be students or staff of the universities in year 2012/2013.</li> <li>Participants should provide their copy of Student ID or staff ID</li> </ul>
Fancy Costume	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No gender limitation</li> <li>Teams should be dressed in interesting and creative clothing during the race.</li> </ul>



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## Arrangement for contingency

### Inclement weather condition

Time	Weather condition	Arrangement
By 6am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Red or Black Rainstorm Warning Signal</li> <li>Typhoon Signal No.3 and above</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All races will be <b>cancelled</b></li> <li>Tentative fallback day at Shatin on 5-7 July 2013</li> <li>All entry fees will <b>NOT</b> be refunded</li> </ul>
Anytime during races	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Red or Black Rainstorm Warning Signal</li> <li>Typhoon Signal No.3 and above</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All races for the rest of the day will be <b>cancelled</b></li> <li>Tentative fallback day at Shatin on 5-7 July 2013</li> <li>All entry fees will <b>NOT</b> be refunded</li> </ul>
Anytime during races	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tropical Cyclone Warning No. 1</li> <li>AMBER Rainstorm Warning</li> <li>Thunderstorm Warning</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Races will be held as scheduled under safety condition</li> <li>All teams must report on time</li> </ul>

If the IDBR on 21-23 Jun 2013 is not allowed to take place at the Victoria Harbour due to other causes beyond the reasonable control of HKCDBA, the IDBR will be relocated to take place at Shing Mun River in Shatin, New Territories. All the Races on 21-23 June 2013 will be held as scheduled on 5-7 July 2013. Teams shall report to HKCDBA Centre on the race day. Please pay attention to the announcement on TV, radio and HKCDBA website ([www.hkdba.com.hk](http://www.hkdba.com.hk)).

### Address of HKCDBA Centre

Next to Pictorial Garden Phase 3, On King Street, Shatin, New Territories..

### Attention:

**Cancellation or delay of races is subject to the final decision of organizing committee. There is no refund of Entry fee and athlete registration fee.**



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## Visa

Please visit the Immigration Department website for the details of Visa application:

<http://www.immd.gov.hk/cht/ml/id1004.htm>

<http://www.immd.gov.hk/cht/ml/fvisit.htm>

If assistance in Visa application is needed, please contact HKCDBA by email ([hkdba@hkolympic.org](mailto:hkdba@hkolympic.org)) on or before **11 Apr 2013**.

All Visa fee and postage would be paid by the Teams on or before **11 Apr 2013**.

Teams should accept the consequence and pay all the fees incurred due to late application.

## Accommodation & Transport arrangement to overseas teams

The Organizing Committee of the 2013 HKIDBR has made arrangements for a choice of accommodation packages, ranging from **HK\$1,800 to HK\$2,500** per twin room per day, which will include:

- Three to five-star hotels,
- Arrival/departure transport service (one trip on arrival and one trip on departure, per team),

Information of the transport service provider will be provided in Bulletin (2). Teams can contact the supplier for booking transport between the hotels and the race site if required.

Information of the accommodation packages will be available in Bulletin No. 2.

Participants are entitled to make their own arrangements, but races will not be delayed for any teams under any circumstances.

## Celebration Dinner

HK\$250 will be charged per person. Detailed information of the celebration dinner will be announced in Bulletin (2).

Teams are welcomed to perform different kinds of performance such as magic show, jugglery, and dance during the celebration dinner. Please send the details of the performance to the Organising Committee by email on or before **31 May 2013**. If music is needed during the performance, please send the song in mp3 format to [hkdba@hkolympic.org](mailto:hkdba@hkolympic.org).



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## Location of Race Site

Victoria Harbour, East Tsim Sha Tsui, Hong Kong

Search from Google Map (Keyword: "Tsim Sha Tsui East Promenade")



## Public Transport

Railway

[http://www.mtr.com.hk/eng/homepage/cust\\_index.html](http://www.mtr.com.hk/eng/homepage/cust_index.html)

Bus

<http://www.kmb.hk/en/>

<http://www.nwstbus.com.hk/home/default.aspx?intLangID=1>

Ferry

<http://www.starferry.com.hk/services.html>

## Hong Kong Restaurant Guide

<http://www.openrice.com/english/restaurant/index.htm>

Discover Hong Kong – Travel Guide from the Hong Kong Tourism Board

<http://www.discoverhongkong.com/eng/>



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## Enrollment

Accept enrollment by EMAIL or POST

Teams should submit the FULL SET of enrollment forms in **ONE EMAIL / ENVELOPE** before the due date

All Enrollment forms should be provided in electronic copy (MS Word) and hard copy with stamp and signature.

**Email:** hkdba@hkolympic.org

**Address:** Room 1032, Olympic House, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong

Due Date	Submission of information
18 Mar 2013 (Mon)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preliminary Entry Form (1)</li> <li>Preliminary Entry Form (2)</li> <li>Preliminary Entry Form (3)</li> <li>Entry Fee</li> </ol>
11 Apr 2013 (Thu)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Crew List</li> <li>Reserved Team List</li> <li>Business Registration Certificate (if any)</li> <li>Staff ID or Certification Letter / Student ID (if any)</li> <li>Proof of membership (if any)</li> <li>Liability Release</li> <li>Health Questionnaire</li> <li>2013 Athlete Registration Application (if any)</li> <li>Celebration dinner fee (if any)</li> <li>Visa fee and postage (if any)</li> </ol>

## Payment

Payable to "Hong Kong China Dragon Boat Association"

- Crossed cheque; or
- Bank-in slip; or
- Telegraphic transfer

Please mark Team name and categories participated at the back of cheque or on the bank-in slip / transfer advice.

Name of Beneficiary	Hong Kong China Dragon Boat Association
Beneficiary Account	(Athlete Registration, Visa fee and postage) 600-650-568-002 (Race Entry & Celebration dinner fee) 600-650-568-004
Name of the Bank	The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited
Address of the Bank	No.1, Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong
Bank Code	HSBCHKHHHKH

Please keep copy of crossed cheque / Bank-in slip / Telegraphic transfer advice for record.

If Cheque or Telegraphic transfer cannot be cashed, it will be deemed as outstanding payment.



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## Admin. charge for change of information

Charge	Period	Item
HK\$100 / participant	12 – 30 Apr 2013	1) Submit or change personal information or photo; and / or 2) Submit athlete registration form or photo.
HK\$200 / participant	1-31 May 2013	
HK\$400 / participant	1 Jun 2013 - event day	

## Enquiry

### Hong Kong China Dragon Boat Association

Tel (852) 2504 8332 / (852) 8106 8134

Fax (852) 2577 1873

Website <http://www.hkdba.com.hk>

Email [hkdba@hkolympic.org](mailto:hkdba@hkolympic.org)

Address Room 1032, Olympic House, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong

\*\* In case of conflict between Chinese and English information in this Bulletin, the English version shall prevail.

**HKCDBA reserves the right to revise the race regulations at its sole discretion.**