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Hong Kong Amateur Swimming Association



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New World Harbour Race 2013

Race Information

- Date:** 06 October 2013 (Sunday)
- Time:** 8:30 a.m.
- Venue:** Lei Yue Mun Sam Ka Tsuen Public Pier to
Quarry Bay Park Public Pier (Near Fireboat Alexander Grantham
Exhibition Gallery)
- No. of Swimmers:** 2,000 swimmers
- Entry Deadline:** 03 July 2013 (Wednesday) 5:00 p.m.
(Postmark deadline. Late entries will not be entertained.)

A. Categories & Events:

Racing Groups*										
	Men	Women	Boys	Girls	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
Event No.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Distance	approximately 1.5 km									
Group	International		Youth		Open# (A)		Open# (B)		Open# (C)	
Age	14 or above		12-16		17-34		35-49		50 or above	
Quota	100		100		100		100		100	

Leisure Groups		
	Men	Women
Event No.	11	12
Distance	approximately 1.5 km	
Age	Age 12 or above	
Quota	1500	

- * Elite and experienced swimmers recommended.
Non-residents of Hong Kong are eligible to apply under the International Category **ONLY**.
- # All applicants of open group must apply under the appropriate age group pertaining to their actual age calculated on the date of the race.
Each person can only apply for one event only.

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B. Competition Eligibility:

i. Racing Groups:

1. International Category

Qualification:

- **Non**-Hong Kong ID card holder (Except for FINA Marathon Swimming World Cup- Hong Kong 2013 participants); and
- 14 years of age or above; and
- Physically Fit and Healthy; and
- Duly-Signed Declaration of Responsibility (Signed by parents for swimmers under 18 years of age); and
- Medical Certificate required for 60 years of age or above; and
- Attend Time Trial 2013; or
- Proven ability to complete swimming distance of 1500m or above from between 1st April 2012 and 3rd July 2013. Only proven time records endorsed by its National Swimming Association will be taken for consideration.
- **The fastest swimmers** among all submitted time and time trial records will be accepted. (subject to HKASA's final decision)

2. Open Category and Youth Category

Qualification:

- Hong Kong ID card holder; and
- 12 years of age or above; and
- Physically Fit and Healthy; and
- Duly-Signed Declaration of Responsibility (Signed by parents for swimmers under 18 years of age); and
- Medical Certificate required for 60 years of age or above; and
- Attend Time Trial 2013 or fulfill one of the "Racing Groups Time Trial Exemptions" from below (Selection may not duplicate):
 1. Provide qualified records obtained from any 1500m swimming competitions organized or sanctioned by HKASA at swimming pool setting from 1st April 2012 to 3rd July 2013; or
 2. Submit result of New World Harbour Race 2012; or
 3. Submit the Time Trial record from New World Harbour Race 2012

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All the records above will join together for consideration. The fastest swimmers amongst them will be accepted (subject to HKASA's final decision).

- Winners and Runner-ups from New World Harbour Race 2012 are directly accepted. Quota of each gender group for the remaining applicants is then assigned on a pro rata basis among the qualified applicants. Applicants with the fastest record will be accepted.

*Pro Rata Calculation:

For example, for Open Group A (Age 17-34),

Qualified swimmers from Time Trial: 100 Men and 80 Women. 6 Winners and Runner-ups from 2012 have been accepted as Priority Application. Available Quota is 94.

Gender Quota Calculation with rounding:

Men: $(100/180) \times 94 = 52.22$

Women: $(80/180) \times 94 = 41.77$

Quota for Men is 52, quota for Women is 42.

- Applicants who choose to apply with any records from the "Racing Groups Time Trial Exemptions" need to pay a HK\$20 administration fee by crossed-cheque along with the application form.
- Final Entrant List will be announced on **11th September 2013 (Wednesday) at 5:00p.m.** on the HKASA website (www.hkasa.org.hk) and the New World Harbour Race website (<http://www.hkharbourrace.com>).
- Applicants who fail to enter the Racing Groups will NOT be allocated to the Leisure Groups.

ii. Leisure Groups

Qualification:

- Hong Kong ID card holder; and
- 12 years of age or above; and
- Physically Fit and Healthy; and
- Duly-Signed Declaration of Responsibility (Signed by parents for swimmers under 18 years of age); and
- Medical Certificate required for 60 years of age or above; and
- Complete swimming distance of 1500m within 45 minutes in Time Trial 2013 or fulfill one of the "Leisure Group Time Trial Exemptions" from below:

1. Provide qualified records from Time Trial 2012; or

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2. Successfully completed New World Harbour Race 2012; or
 3. Successfully completed FINA Marathon Swimming World Cup-Hong Kong 2012 cum 14th Hong Kong Open Water Swimming Competition on 7th October 2012; or
 4. Successfully completed 2013 Open Water Swimming Competition Series Part 1 on 28th April 2013; or
 5. Provide qualified records obtained from any 1500m swimming competitions organized or sanctioned by HKASA at swimming pool setting from 1st April 2012 to 3rd July 2013
- Quota of each gender group for the remaining applicants is then assigned on a pro rata basis among the qualified applicants.
 - Entrant list will be allotted by drawing if number of application exceeds number of quota. Details of drawing will be posted on HKASA website (www.hkasa.org.hk) and New World Harbour Race website (<http://www.hkharbourrace.com>). The drawing procedure is open for public viewing.
 - Applicants who choose to apply with any records from the “Leisure Groups Time Trial Exemptions” need to pay a HK\$20 administration fee by crossed-cheque along with the application form.
 - The drawing result of Final Entrant List will be announced on **11th September 2013 (Wednesday) at 5:00p.m.** on the HKASA website (www.hkasa.org.hk) and the New World Harbour Race website (<http://www.hkharbourrace.com>).

Each participant can only apply for one event.

C. Time Trial:

- Applicants without proven records or did not participate in New World Harbour Race 2012 must enter the Time Trial organized by HKASA and pay a Time-Trial fee of HK\$100.
- Applicants who participated in the Time Trial of New World Harbour Race 2012 can apply with their 2012 time trial results.

The participation list of Time Trial will be uploaded on **19th July 2013 (Friday) at 5:00p.m.** on the New World Harbour Race website (<http://www.hkharbourrace.com>). Swimmers should attend the trial accordingly.

Information of 1500m Time Trial

Venue: Tung Chung Swimming Pool

Date & Time:

27/07/2013 (Saturday)	28/07/2013 (Sunday)	30/07/2013 (Tuesday)	01/08/2013 (Thursday)
09:00- 20:00	09:00-14:00	18:30-21:00	18:30-21:00

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Fee: HK\$100/ person

Format: To finish 1500m in 45 minutes.

The Time Trial result will be announced on **28th August 2013 (Wednesday) at 5:00p.m.** on the HKASA website (www.hkasa.org.hk) and the New World Harbour Race website (<http://www.hkharbourrace.com>).

D. Collection of Race Kits:

Participants should collect the race kits at the scheduled time and location below and submit entry fee. Participation qualification will be forfeited if race kit is not collected on time.

A race kit including a baggage bag, a race card, a swimmer's guide, 2 electronic transponders, a swim cap, a marker pen will be distributed to each participant. Participants must mark their race numbers **on the left hand side of their back, both arms and back of their hands** with the marker pen provided by HKASA (For details please refer to the swimmers' guide).

Date & Time: T.B.C.

Venue: T.B.C.

E. Entry Fee: HK\$150.00 / Entry
(Entry fee and Time Trial fee is non-refundable in any circumstances.)

F. Awards:

Awards	Prizes
New World Harbour Race International Category Individual Men & Women	Champion: Trophy, US\$2,000, Certificate 1st Runner-up: Trophy, US\$1,500, Certificate 2nd Runner-up: Trophy, US\$1,200, Certificate 4th Place: Trophy, US\$800, Certificate 5th Place: Trophy, US\$600, Certificate 6th Place: Trophy, US\$600, Certificate 7th Place: Trophy, US\$400, Certificate 8th Place: Trophy, US\$400, Certificate
K 11 Harbour Race Youth Category Aged 12 - 16 Individual Boys & Girls	Champion: Trophy, HK\$5,000, Certificate 1st Runner-up: Trophy, HK\$3,000, Certificate 2nd Runner-up: Trophy, HK\$2,000, Certificate
New World Harbour Race Open (A) Aged 17 - 34 Individual Men & Women	Champion: Trophy, HK\$5,000, Certificate 1st Runner-up: Trophy, HK\$3,000, Certificate 2nd Runner-up: Trophy, HK\$2,000, Certificate

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<p>New World Harbour Race Open (B) Aged 35 - 49 Individual Men & Women</p>	<p>Champion: Trophy, HK\$5,000, Certificate 1st Runner-up: Trophy, HK\$3,000, Certificate 2nd Runner-up: Trophy, HK\$2,000, Certificate</p>
<p>New World Harbour Race Open (C) Aged 50 or above Individual Men & Women</p>	<p>Champion: Trophy, HK\$5,000, Certificate 1st Runner-up: Trophy, HK\$3,000, Certificate 2nd Runner-up: Trophy, HK\$2,000, Certificate</p>
<p>New World Harbour Race Leisure Group Individual Men & Women</p>	<p>Certificate award upon successful completion of race</p>

G. Swim Caps:

Each successful applicant will be given a swim cap with a designated number.

H. Electronic Transponders:

Every swimmer will be given 2 electronic transponders, which should be secured on each wrist during the Race for result recording. They should be returned at the Finishing Center after the Race. Participants will be charged for the cost of the device in case of losing the electronic transponder.

I. Storage of Belongings:

Participants can store their personal belongings in the bags (provided by HKASA during race kit collection) at the **Personal Belongings Deposit Area in Starting Area** and collect them at **Baggage Claim Area in Finishing Area** after the race. Participants shall write down their race numbers on the bags BEFOREHAND. HKASA has no responsibility for any lost or damage to the personal belongings.

Any unclaimed personal belongings will be sent to HKASA office 30 minutes after the end of the race and will be stored temporarily for 7 days. All unclaimed belongings will be disposed of thereafter.

J. Venue Arrangement- Starting and Finishing Area:

1. Follow instructions from the race officials for a smooth operation.
2. No changing facilities will be provided.
3. Shower area is located at the Finishing Area for quick rinsing. Usage of shampoo or toiletries is prohibited.
4. Towels, Slippers, Bottled Water, T-shirt and Souvenir will be provided to swimmers after landing.
5. Drink refills is served at Finishing Area. Please keep the bottles and cups for refill and deposit used containers into recycling bins.
6. Only swimmers, officials and guests are allowed to enter the Starting Area.

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K. Result Announcement:

The list of award winners for Racing Groups will be posted on the notice board in the finishing area on the Race day, while the remaining results will be uploaded on the HKASA and New World Harbour Race websites thereafter. Those who complete the race will receive a certificate, which can be collected at the HKASA office subsequently.

L. Reminders:

1. Swimmers must wear apparels or put on labels provided by HKASA when interviewing with the media.
2. Winners and runner-ups must **ONLY** wear apparels provided by HKASA during the Award Ceremony.

M. Rules and Regulations:

1. Swimmers must wear **the designated swim caps provided by the HKASA** during the race.
2. Swimmer **MUST** present a valid Race Card issued by the HKASA at the Registration Counter. **Swimmers who are unable to show the Race Card will not be allowed to race.**
3. **Swimmers who are unable to show their electronic transponders, race cards, and their designated swim caps will not be allowed to race.**
4. All electronic transponders, race cards, and swim caps are non-transferable. Failure to comply will result in disqualification.
5. During the race, swimmers **must wear swim caps and electronic transponder chips provided by HKASA throughout the whole swimming period**. Those fail to comply will be **disqualified**.
6. Swimmers **MUST** swim inside the Race Course. Those outside the Race Course will be guided back to the course by canoes. Those fail to comply will be requested to leave the water and will be disqualified.
7. If swimmers require assistance from a lifeguard whilst in the water, **please raise a hand and call for help immediately.**
8. Swimmers **MUST** report to the Finishing Centre immediately after the race.
9. To avoid overcrowding, swimmers should leave the pier as quickly as possible after landing.
10. Any swimming activity in the Harbour is prohibited after the Race.
11. Swimmers must forfeit their right to participate in the Race and will be requested to leave water by officials if they were unable to:
Reach the Turning Point within **30 minutes**, OR
Finish the race within **1 hour & 15 minutes** after the start of each event.
They should report to the Finishing Centre immediately after landing and their results will be recorded as "DNF" (Did Not Finish).
12. No swimmer is permitted to use any device that may be an aid to their speed or endurance such as fins and paddles. Nails should be trimmed and not sharp.
13. Remove watches and jewellery.

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14. The competitor must wear only one swimsuit in one or two pieces. Swimwear for both men and women shall not cover the neck, extend past the shoulder, nor shall extend below the ankle. All Open Water swimsuits shall comply with the FINA Criteria for Materials and Approval Procedures – By Laws (BL 8).
15. HKASA has its sole discretion to reject any entry.
16. HKASA has the final decision over all matters not stipulated here in the rules.

N. Responsibility:

Swimmers should be aware of the fact that open water swimming is a high risk aquatic sport. Swimmers must be aware of the wave and water condition, and consider their participation based on their swimming ability. HKASA will try its best to ensure the safety of all swimmers during the race. However, HKASA and its officials have no responsibility for any injuries and accidents incurred during the race.

Practice in open water prior to the race is highly recommended.

O. Race Course:



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P. Inclement Weather Arrangement:

The Race will be postponed for any of the following conditions, alternative race day and details will be announced in due course:

- ◆ Typhoon Signal No. 1 or above, hoisted before 6:00 a.m. on the race day; Or
- ◆ Red/ Black Rainstorm Signal; Or
- ◆ Occurrence of red tide at the venue; Or
- ◆ Any conditions unsuitable for staging the competition.

Q. Entry Procedures:

Applicants may submit the followings to the HKASA office in person or by Mail.

Submission in person is recommended.

- 1) A completed Individual Entry Form and proven records (if any).
- 2) A photocopy of H.K. I.D. card/ identification document.
- 3) Duly-signed Declaration Form (Signed by parents for swimmers under 18 years of age)
- 4) Medical Certificates (for applicants aged 60 or above)
- 5) A passport-sized photograph
- 6) Time Trial Fees/ Entry Fees/ Administration Fees - **Crossed-cheque made payable to "HKASA" ONLY**. Please write down the applicant's name and contact number on the back of the cheque.
- 7) By Mail: A self-addressed envelope with a stamp. **Application without a self-addressed and stamped envelope will not be entertained.**

Incomplete Forms, Declaration and Medical Certificates (for applicants aged 60 or above) will not be accepted, and the fees paid will not be refunded.

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Office Hour:

Monday to Friday 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

New World Harbour Race Website: www.hkharbourrace.com