

OFFICIAL NOTICE OF RACE

19th HOBIE CAT 16 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS WEIHAI, SHAN DONG CHINA

15th August-30th August 2010



海御会
ROYAL MARINA CLUB
WEIHAI CHINA



Venue & Dates

The 2010 Hobie Cat 16 World Championships will be held Sunday 15th August – Monday 30th August 2010 and sailed at, Weihai in five (5) disciplines: Women's, Youth, Open, Masters Cup, Grand Masters Cup.

Organising Authority

The Organising Authority is the International Hobie Class Association (IHCA) in conjunction with 2010 Chinese Worlds Committee under the authority of the Chinese Yachting Association

Rules

The 2010 Hobie Cat 16 World Championships will be governed by the International Sailing Federation Racing Rules, the International Hobie Class Rules, and this Notice of Race except as any of these is altered by the Sailing Instructions. Alternative penalties according to ISAF RR 44.1 and 44.2 will apply, except that the IHCA One-Turn Penalty Rule replaces the Two-Turn Penalty. The English text of this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions will prevail.

Eligibility

The ISAF Competitors' Eligibility Code applies (ISAF Regulation 19). Skipper and crew members must be a paid-up member of a National Hobie Class Association or Hobie Fleet in good standing with the IHCA.

Advertising Category

The boats shall display advertising of the event sponsor(s) as required by the Organising Committee. Individual sponsorship conflicting with the event sponsor's business category shall not be allowed. For more information, please contact the IHCA.

Entries

Entries shall be made on the Official Entry Form only and returned with the non-refundable registration fees to:

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Email: david.brookes@hobieclass.com

IHCA Website: www.hobieclass.com

Event Website: www.hobieworlds.com

Pre-Registration

Entries and non-refundable registration fees shall be received by 14th July 2010. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

Quotas

There will be three rounds in the Open Worlds: Qualifier, Semi-Finals and Finals. Quotas for the seeded teams for the Semi-Finals are as follows:

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| Africa | 5 |
| European (EHCA) | 23 |
| North American (HCA) | 17 |
| North Pacific | 4 |
| South American | 8 |
| South Pacific | 10 |
| Host Region | 4 |
| Host Country | 2 |
| IHCA Wild cards | 4 |
| 2007 World Champion | 1 |
| 2010 Master's Champion | 1 |
| 2010 Grand Master's Champion | 1 |
| 2010 Women's Champion | 1 |
| 2010 Youth Champion | 1 |
| Minimum guaranteed places from Qualifier | 30 |

Entries will be accepted on a first come first serve basis and seeded teams must be notified to the Organiser and confirmed by their IHCA Region prior to the 14th July 2010 deadline.

Fees

Registration fees are non refundable and will be paid in USD. The registration fees are payable to the IHCA only by: travellers cheque, or by Visa or MasterCard providing the following credit card details: name of cardholder, card number, and expiration date. These fees shall be included with the entry form and sent to the IHCA. The method of payment shall be shown on the entry form. Payments shall be received by 14th July 2010 (close of entries) and shall include the details of entry. Late entries, if accepted, shall pay a non-refundable late entry fee. There will be a USD 10 discount for teams who enter **and** pay online. For teams competing in TWO Worlds events there will be a further discount.

| Event | Enter by 14 Jul | Enter after 14 Jul | Online payment discount |
|----------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| Open | 310 | 410 | 10 |
| Women | 235 | 335 | 10 |
| Youth | 130 | 160 | 10 |
| Masters | 310 | 410 | 10 |
| Grand Masters | 310 | 410 | 10 |
| Women & Open | 410 | 510 | 10 |
| Youth & Open | 335 | 370 | 10 |
| Masters & Open | 460 | 560 | 10 |
| Grand Masters & Open | 460 | 560 | 10 |

Boats: The Organisers, in cooperation with Blue Fin Sports and Hobie Cat Company Australasia will supply boats free of charge to all teams. No other boats, sails or battens may be used during the event. A refundable boat deposit of **USD \$500.00** will be required on site by every team. Damage deposits must be paid in cash or travellers cheques in **USD (United States dollars)**. **No other currency will be accepted.** No credit card payments will be accepted for damage deposits. Any

damage to the boat will be the responsibility of the team using the boat unless otherwise determined by the decision of a jury in a protest hearing. In the event of damage to the boat the official beach crew will evaluate the damage and determine the cost to repair or replace damaged goods. The competitor's damage deposit will be debited to cover the damage to the boat. If damage is more than the **USD \$500** damage deposit it will be the responsibility of the team that caused the damage to pay any additional charges over the **USD \$500** damage deposit and their damage deposit will be debited to pay for the damage. In addition, to continue sailing in the event any damage deposit that has been debited will need to be paid up so that **USD \$500** remains with the Blue Fin Sports and Hobie Cat Company Australasia beach committee. In the event that damage is the result of a collision and there is a protest decision; the team that is held responsible for the collision is responsible for paying any damage as a result of the collision to the other boat. Any damage deposit unused at the end of the event will be returned to the competitor. The damage deposit is not an insurance policy. The only allowable equipment additions to the boats shall be: additional non-permanent tell tails; wind indicators, compass and class legal tiller extension. Competitors shall supply their own life jackets and trapeze harnesses.

Qualifier

Entries will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis for Qualifier. There will be a maximum of 3:1 ratio of teams to boats accepted in Qualifier. Pre-qualified competitors are not permitted to register or compete in the Qualifier Series.

Spectacular Grand Opening Ceremony

16th August 9:00–11:00 all sailors welcome

On Site Registration

The Registration Office will be open as follows:

Masters and Grand Masters

15th August 14:00-20:00

Women's and Youth

19th August 09:00-16:00

Open: Qualifier

22nd August 09:00-16:00

Teams seeded for Semi-Finals

25th August 09:00-16:00

Teams must register on site during the times indicated. Failure to do so will result in the entry being awarded to another team.

Schedule of 2010 Championship Races

16th- August Masters, Grand Masters racing

17th August Masters, Grand Masters racing

18th August Masters, Grand Masters racing

19th August Masters, Grand Masters finals

20th August Women's and Youth racing

21st August Women's and Youth racing

22nd August Women's and Youth racing

23rd August Open Qualifier

24th August Open Qualifier

25th August Open Qualifier

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| <u>26th August</u> | Semi-Finals, 112 teams |
| <u>27th August</u> | Semi-Finals |
| <u>28th August</u> | Semi-Finals |
| <u>29th August</u> | Finals, 56 teams |
| <u>30th August</u> | Finals |

On all racing days the first start of the day will be 10:00 hours local time (wind permitting).

Scoring System: The low point scoring system will apply. ISAF RR Appendix A.

Women's World Championship: Skipper and crew shall be female. Subject to a minimum participation of 12 teams.

Youth World Championship: To qualify for the Youth Championship all members of the crew shall be under the age of 21 years of age on 31 December 2010. Subject to a minimum participation of 12 teams.

Master's International Cup: To qualify for the Master's Championship, the skipper shall be 45 years or over on 31 December 2010, subject to a minimum participation of 12 teams.

Grand Master's International Cup: To qualify for the Grand Master's Championship, the skipper shall be 55 years or over on 31 December 2010, the crew shall not be less than 40 years on 31 December 2010, subject to a minimum participation of 8 teams

International Jury: An International Jury shall be appointed by the IHCA for the Open event, and may be appointed for the Women's, Masters, Grand Masters and Youth events.

Sailing Instructions: The sailing instructions will be made available at registration.

Prizes: All finalists will receive awards. The first 3 teams in the Youth, Women's, Masters, Grand Masters will receive trophies; the first 15 teams in the Open event will receive special awards. The overall winner in the Open event will be declared the 2010 Hobie Cat 16 World Champion.

Competitors' Insurance

All competitors entering the race shall have third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of USD 300,000.00 or equivalent currency insurance.

Competitor's proof of insurance and coverage shall be provided at registration. Verify you're your insurance is valid in China Insurance arrangements for competitors not having third party liability insurance will be available on site at a supplementary cost.

PRIVATE BOATS

Private Hobie 16s will not be permitted to sail on or near the course area during competition hours.

Accommodation / Transportation

Accommodation information will be available from www.hobieworlds.com and the host will assist in organising the accommodation needs for all competitors and friends. Enquiries for accommodation, domestic travel, rental car should be made through the host. We will present the detailed information in future.

Weather information

Average maximum air temperature: 29° C
Average minimum air temperature: 21° C

For AIR FARES: Weihai the sailing venue is 76 km from Yantai airport or 70km from Weihai airport. Both airports are about 50 minutes drive to the site.

CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION

The Event Website: www.hobieworlds.com



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OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

2010 Hobie 16 World Championships - 15th August – 30th August 2010 • Weihai

Completed entry form and non-refundable registration fees must be received by the IHCA no later than 14th July 2010

Skipper Last Name: _____ Skipper First Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Country: _____ Postal Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Crew Last Name _____ Crew First Name: _____

Region _____ Division/Country _____ Hobie Fleet No _____ ISAF Nation _____

Events: Open Women's Youth Masters Grand Master

Skipper Date of Birth (dd/mm/yy) _____ Crews Date of Birth (dd/mm/yy) _____

Individual Sponsorship: Yes No Sponsor/product: _____

Enter by July 14th: Open: \$310.00 Youth: \$130.00 Women's: \$235.00, Masters, G. Master: \$310.00
Women & Open: \$410.00 Master & Open: \$460.00 Youth & Open: \$335.00

After July 14th: Open: \$410.00 Youth: \$160.00 Women's: \$335.00 Masters, G. Master: \$410.00
Women & Open: \$510.00 Master & Open: \$560.00 Youth & Open: \$435.00

\$10.00 Discount if you pay by credit card online at the time of registration

Payments may be made by Cash, Travellers Check, Visa or MasterCard (Credit card information required.)

All Entries after 15th July 2010 shall pay the non-refundable entry fee plus late fee

Amount Enclosed: _____ Payment method: Cash Travellers Check Visa MasterCard

Cardholder: _____

Card Number: _____ Expires _____

For security purposes, credit card information is requested via mail or fax (not email)

Release and Indemnity Agreement

In the full knowledge of RRS 4 - Decision to race - and conscious of the dangers inherent to Sailing and Sailboat Racing, I agree that none of the Organizations, Persons involved in the running of this Event, Sponsors, Promoters, Class Association or any other involved persons or parties accepts liability for damages due in negligence or any other reason whatsoever while conducting or connected with this event for injury, to property or person, I may suffer while participating in the event and while upon the event premises. I know the risks of danger to myself and my property while preparing for and participating in the event, and while upon the event premises, relying upon my own judgment and ability, assume all such risks of loss and hereby agree to reimburse all costs to those persons or organizations connected with this event for damages incurred as a result of my negligence. Furthermore, I agree to be bound by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and any other *rules* that govern this event

This is a Release

Skipper Signature

Crew Signature

I agree to accept third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of USD 300,000.00 as outlined in the NOR.

(Skipper signature)

Forward Completed Entry Form To:

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