

## HKSF SELECTION GUIDELINES FOR ALLOCATION OF LCSD FUNDING

### TO PARA SAILORS IN 2022

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#### 1. Purpose

- 1.1 For the purpose of promoting the development Para sailing, HKSF will seek LCSD funding to:
- (a) subsidise eligible Para sailors to do the international event in the classes specified in paragraph 2 below; and
  - (b) Organise training camps for the Optimist sailors should budget allow it and or subject to availability and LCSD requirements.

#### 2. International Event & Classes

- 2.1 The international event and classes that HKSF will allocate LCSD funding to support eligible Para sailors taking part in the year 2022 are:

##### International Event

- (a) 2022 Hansa Class Asia-Pacific Championships - Sept/Oct TBC - (Asia Pacific)

##### Classes

- (a) Single handed Hansa Liberty
- (b) Men's single-handed Hansa 303
- (c) Women's single-handed Hansa 303
- (d) Mixed double Hansa 303

#### 3. Eligibility

- 3.1 In order to be eligible for receiving LCSD funding to take part in the 2022 Open Hansa World Sailing Championships, a sailor must:

- (a) be above the age of 10 years;
- (b) be a HKSF member;
- (a) have been an ordinary resident of Hong Kong for at least 7 consecutive years;
- (c) be eligible to represent Hong Kong in such international event;
- (d) meet the eligibility requirements of such international event; and
- (e) be recommended by Sailability Hong Kong to take part in such international events pursuant to paragraph 4 below.

- 3.2 The number of Para sailors receiving LCSD funding is limited as follows:

- (a) 1 Para sailors in the single handed Hansa Liberty class;
- (b) 1 Para sailor in the Men's single-handed Hansa 303 class;
- (c) 1 Para sailor in the Women's single-handed Hansa 303 class; and
- (d) 1 team in the mixed double Hansa 303 class.

#### **4. Selection of Para Sailors**

4.1 For the purpose of selection, HKSF will take into account:

- (a) The Para Sailors' performance in **SUN HUNG KAI & Co. SAIL HONG KONG 2022 (18-20 Feb 2022)** and 2022 HHYC Open Dinghy Regatta (April / May 2022);
- (b) The Para Sailors' previous overseas results and international rankings; and
- (c) The recommendation from Sailability Hong Kong.

4.2 Scores will be awarded to each Para Sailor equal to its overall finishing position in the relevant fleet (which may include men and women and overseas sailors) in each of the 3 indicator events. If a Para sailor does not take part in a selection event, the Para sailor's score in such an indicator event will be equal to one plus the number of entries of the relevant fleet in the most popular indicator event. A Para sailor's scores in all 3 indicator events will be counted with no discard.

4.3 The Para sailor with the lowest scores will rank the highest. In case of a tie of scores, it will be broken in favour of the Para sailor who finishes in a higher overall position in the last indicator event.

4.4 Para sailors' results and ranking in the indicator events are not the decisive factor in the selection. If a class is not sailed in an indicator event due to unsuitable weather or sea state, HKSF will have no regard to such indicator event in its selection of Para sailors.

4.5 HKSF reserves the right not to allocate any LCSD funding to a winning team in the selection and not to enter the winning team in the Youth Sailing World Championships if

- HKSF is not reasonably satisfied that such team's performance is capable of achieving the top two third position in the relevant overseas event having regard to the team's performance in the local selection events and after consulting HKSF head coach and the team's coach; or
- LCSD subvented program has been suspended temporarily due to the health risks associated with the Covid-19 outbreak; or
- LCSD recommends HKSF not to send sailors to take part in overseas events in view of the health risks associated with COVID-19 outbreak.
- If the event title is changed from World Championship to Championship/Cup due to the COVID-19 outbreak

#### **5. Training**

5.1 Each funded sailor must fulfil the following training requirements:

- (a) 15 hours of training per week (at club level training); and
- (b) Attend the training camps organised by Sailability Hong Kong or subsidised by LCSD funding

#### **6. Funding**

6.1 The amount of LCSD funding allocated to a funded sailor in respect of an international event will be based on the total number of selected sailors in such event, the amount granted by LCSD for such event and LCSD's limitation of the expenditure items and expenditure amount.

## **7. Suspension & Withdrawal**

7.1 HKSF reserves the right to suspend or terminate a sailor's entitlement to LCSD funding, and to withdraw or not to endorse the entry of a sailor in an international event if such sailor commits any of the following acts:

- (a) gross misconduct in a local or international event
- (b) a criminal offence
- (c) a breach of anti-doping rules
- (d) failure to fulfil the training requirements as set out in paragraph 5 above
- (e) failure to meet the eligibility requirements of the relevant international event

## **8. Appeal**

8.1 If a sailor considers that the funding allocation or selection is unfair or biased or irregular, he may lodge an appeal to the HKSF Council within 14 days of the announcement of the funding allocation. The appeal must include the grounds for appeal and supporting documents.

8.2 The appeal will be heard by an Appeal Committee consisting of 3 members, one of whom will be an officer of HKSF and the remaining 2 be members of the Racing Rules and Appeal Committee. No member of the Selection Committee will sit on the Appeal Committee.

8.3 A hearing by the Appeal Committee will be held within 15 days to listen to the views of the appellant sailor and HKSF. The procedures and format of the hearing will be similar to those under the Racing Rule 63. A written decision will be provided to both parties within 10 days of the hearing.

## **9. Cautions**

9.1 In view of the health risks associated with COVID-19 outbreak, all sailors, their parents and coaches must exercise caution in making any decision to take part in any of the overseas events.

9.2 HKSF may make further amendments to these selection guidelines in case of postponement or cancellation of overseas events or government restrictions or recommendations of suspension of participation in overseas events amid COVID-19 outbreak.

9.3 All selected sailors and their coaches and team leader must fully comply with the "HKSF Protocols of Protection of HK Participants in Overseas Events (Covid 19)" that are in force at the time and available at HKSF website