



2018 Asian Rowing Coastal Championships

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4. International Jury

The International Jury (ITO) members will be appointed by the ARF Umpiring Committee.

II. GENERAL INFORMATION OF HONG KONG, CHINA

The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China is located at the southern part of China, close to Macau and the Guangdong Pearl River Delta region. It is one of the Special Administrative Regions of China and has an area of 1,104 km². With around 7.2 million permanent residents of various nationalities, Hong Kong is the world's fourth most densely populated territory in 2016.

The city is known as the "Pearl of the Orient" for its iconic cityscape around Victoria Harbour, the intersection of different cultures and styles, and the combination of modern architecture with the traditional temples. It is a financial, logistics, freight, transportation and cultural hub at regional and international level.

Hong Kong has been the venue for various major rowing events, including the 1st Asian Rowing Championships in 1985, the 2003 and 2008 Asian Rowing Junior Championships and the 2009 East Asian Games Regatta and 2013 Asian Rowing Cup II. Other major international sporting events held in Hong Kong have included the Equestrian events of the 2008 Beijing Summer Olympic Games and the 2009 East Asian Games and most recently the 2017 UCI Track Cycling World Championships and the 2017 ICF Canoe Ocean Racing World Championships.



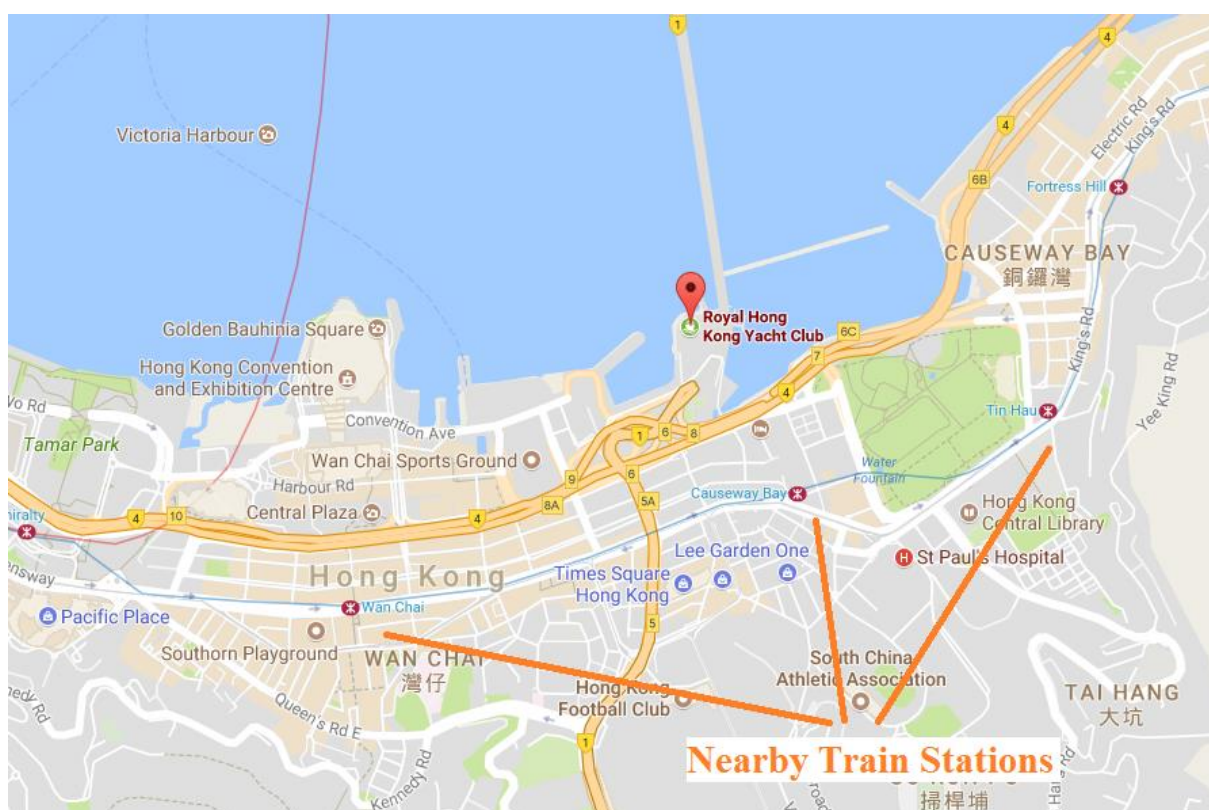
III. COMPETITION INFORMATION

1. Competition Dates

23rd – 25th November, 2018

2. Competition Venue

Victoria Harbour, Hong Kong; a Race Village will be set up on the adjacent shoreline based at the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club in Causeway Bay. It is also the venue for the 2019 World Rowing Coastal Championships.



3. Provisional Competition Schedule

Date	21/11 (Wed)	22/11 (Thu)	23/11 (Fri)	24/11 (Sat)	25/11 (Sun)
Arrival & Check-in	✓	✓			
Boat Rental and training schedule allocation	✓	✓			
Course Open for Training	✓	✓	✓		
International Jury Meeting		✓			
Team Managers' Meeting and Draw		✓			
Qualification Races (if needed)			✓		
Opening Ceremony			✓		
Heats				✓	
Finals					✓
Closing Ceremony					✓
*Celebration Party					✓

**Teams will be responsible for their own cost and details will be announced in Bulletin No. 3.*

4. Events

Men (3) : CM1X, CM2X, CM4X+

Women (3) : CW1X, CW2X, CW4X+

5. Entries

The 6 events are open to all club crews and national team crews, but all entries need to be recognized by National Federation and entry forms must be submitted through the National Federation. Each crew from one country/region must be ranked by the National Federation when the entry is submitted with the best crew ranked #1, the next crew #2, etc. The ranking will be used if qualification races are needed. Queries about the ranking of crews should be addressed to the National Federation concerned.

(a) **Final Entry** is due by 22nd October, 2018.

The completed Final Entry must include all necessary information for each crew, including full name with date of birth of each athlete, all team members and substitutes and officials.

- (b) Entry Forms for Final Entries are attached to this Bulletin. These should be filled in and forwarded to the Organizing Committee (OC), with a copy to ARF headquarters by the stipulated date.

Please note: If any crew withdraws later than 3 hours before the draw until the end of the regatta (except for medical reasons), it will be subject to penalty in accordance with FISA rules.

6. Race Format

- (a) The race format will be a 4 kilometer course around a number of buoys with up to 12 boats in each race, starting together, with no designated lanes.
- (b) Racing will be run in accordance with the FISA Coastal Rowing Competition Regulations (FISA Rule Book Appendix 22).
- (c) The start and finish will both be on water.
- (d) Teams should note that the race format is the "endurance" version of coastal rowing and is very different from Beach Rowing Sprints (the format used at 1st ARCC 2017).
- (e) The progression system will provide a maximum of 2 heats up to 12 crews in each event, with up to 6 crews from each heat proceeding to the Final A which will have a maximum of 12 crews. The remaining crews from the heats will race in Final B.
- (f) If more than 24 entries are received in any event then qualification races will be held for that event on 23 November. Details of qualification process will be announced in Bulletin No. 3.
- (g) Heats will be on Day 1. Finals will be on Day 2.

7. Opening Day of the Course

The venue will be officially open from **21st November** for crews to train.

8. Uniform

All competitors must wear the official competition uniform of their national federation (for national team crews) or club (for club crews).

9. Weather in November

Average daily air temperature	21°C	Average daily max & min air temperature	Max: 24°C Min: 19°C
Average relative humidity	76%	Average monthly rainfall	66 mm
Average wind speed (direction of the prevailing wind)	27km/hr (Northerly)	Water Current Pattern in Hong Kong Harbour	Water current flows south east to north west on the rise and north west to south east on the ebb of tide.

10. Boats and Equipment

- a) The Official Boat Supplier is Swift International Limited. All boats and other equipment shall comply with FISA Rules of Racing. The Organizing Committee (OC) will provide boats for rent. All boats will be shared between teams. Teams are requested to bring their own sculling oars, but the OC would still provide a limited number of pairs of oars for rent. Teams may bring their own boats.
- b) Boat rental charges (USD/per crew/per boat/per day on the basis of sharing boats):



Boats used at the ARCC are available for sale with a discount, on a first come, first served basis. For details info, please contact Swift at elaine.chen@swiftinternational.biz

Type of Boat	USD/per boat/per day
Coastal Solo (C1X)	\$50
Coastal Double Sculls (C2X)	\$75
Coastal Coxed Quadruple Sculls (C4x+)	\$100

- c) Sculling oars will be available for rental at the cost of USD10 /pair/day. Rental sculling oars might also have to be shared.

11. Accommodation

Teams shall be responsible for booking their own accommodation directly with hotels. Accommodation is available for on-line booking within convenient proximity to the venue. Hong Kong has a wide range of hotels and guesthouses at a range of prices from budget to 5-star plus. It should be noted that although the Causeway Bay and Wan Chai areas are very convenient to the competition venue, accommodation in other districts is also suitable because Hong Kong's public transport system, particularly the MTR, is very efficient and safe to use. (There is an MTR station within 1 km distance from the venue.)

List of accommodation in **Causeway Bay / Wan Chai** with sample price offering by different agencies (Note: there is no guarantee from the OC of these hotel prices and they are shown here for reference only):

https://en.tripadvisor.com.hk/Hotels-g294217-zfn7350429-Hong_Kong-Hotels.html

List of hotels and the price is available for reference only. As the price varies from time to time, crews are required to check the updated price and its package with the hotel individually. Some hotels offer discount by using the Hotel Booking Link provided.

Star	Name of hotel	Type of room	Walking Distance to venue (in km)	Walking time to venue (in minutes)	Starting Price* (US\$/per room)
Causeway Bay / Wan Chai					
5	Regal Hongkong Hotel	Twin/Double	1.4 km	19 min	US\$217
	Hotel Booking Link: RHKARCC2018 <div>   </div> <div> Superior Single Room Superior Twin Room </div>				
5	Excelsior Hotel	Twin/Double	0.4 km	5 min	US\$290
5	The Park Lane Hong Kong, A Pullman Hotel	Twin	0.8 km	9 min	US\$226
		Triple			US\$277
4	Novotel Century Hong Kong	Twin	1.0 km	13 min	US\$156
4	The VELA Hong Kong Causeway Bay	Twin/Double	1.2 km	18 min	US\$70
4	Dorsett Wanchai, Hong Kong	Twin/Double	1.4 km	21 min	US\$110
		Triple			US\$140
4	Cosmo Hotel Hong Kong	Twin/Double	1.5 km	21 min	US\$100
		Triple			US\$152
3	iclub Wan Chai Hotel	Twin/Double	1.2 km	17 min	US\$143
	Hotel Booking Link: WCARCC2018 <div>   </div> <div> iSelect (Double) iPlus Premier (Twin) </div>				
3	The Charterhouse Causeway Bay Hotel	Single	1.0 km	14 min	US\$128
		Twin/Double			
3	Kapok apartment	Twin/Double	1.0 km	13 min	US\$120
3	Hotel Ease Access Wan Chai	Twin/Double	1.0 km	11min	US\$125
3	Minimal Hotel Urban	Twin/Double	1.0 km	14min	US\$115
3	Wifi Boutique Hotel	Twin/Double	1.0 km	11min	US\$95
3	Best Western Hotel Causeway Bay	Twin/Double	1.1 km	16 min	US\$110
3	JJ Hotel	Twin/Double	1.2 km	17 min	US\$83
3	9 Boutique Hotel	Twin/Double	1.2 km	17 min	US\$63
3	Mini Hotel Causeway Bay	Twin/Double	1.3 km	19 min	US\$82
3	Mingle Place By The Park	Twin/Double	1.3 km	18 min	US\$98

Apart from Causeway Bay / Wan Chai, other choices of hotels in **Sheun Wan / Fortress Hill / Tsim Sha Tsui / Jordan / Yau Mei Tai / Mongkok / Prince Edward** are very convenience. It takes up to 20 minutes from the nearest MTR stations to the venue.

Star	Name of hotel	Type of room	Walking Distance to nearest MTR station (in km)	Walking time to nearest MTR station (in minutes)	Starting Price* (US\$/per room)
Sheung Wan					
3	iclub Sheung Wan Hotel	Twin/Double	0.4km	6min	US\$90
	Hotel Booking Link: SWARCC2018 <div>   </div> <div> iSelect (Double) iPlus (Twin) </div>				
3	The Bauhinia Hotel - Central	Twin/Double	0.1 km	1 min	US\$105
Tsim Sha Tsui / Jordan					
3	iclub Fortress Hill Hotel	Twin/Double	0.3 km	4 min	US\$94
	(Hotel Booking Link: FHARCC2018) <div>   </div> <div> iSelect (Double) iPlus Premier (Twin) </div>				
3	The Bauhinia Hotel-Tsim Sha Tsui	Twin/Double	0.5km	8 min	US\$115
Yau Mei Tai / Mongkok					
4	The Cityview	Twin/Double	0.1 km	2 min	US\$125
4	Metropark Hotel Mongkok	Twin/Double	0.2 km	3 min	US\$127
4	Stanford Hotel Hong Kong	Twin/Double	0.5 km	7 min	US\$113
3	Inn Hotel Hong Kong	Twin/Double	0.1 km	1 min	US\$105
3	Holiday Inn Express Hong Kong Mongkok	Twin/Double	0.5 km	8 min	US\$120
3	Minimal Hotel Culture	Twin/Double	0.6km	8 min	US\$105

*Room rate only. Not include breakfast.

NOTE: Accommodation bookings should be made as early as possible because November is a popular time for visiting Hong Kong and many hotels might be fully booked.

12. Accreditation

All Individuals (Jury, Team Officials & Rowers) are requested to complete the entry and accreditation forms, together with the copy of passport, and send to the OC together with the Entry Form on or before 22nd October, 2018 **by email**.

13. Transportation

a) Arrival through Hong Kong International Airport

You can take Airport Express train, public buses, taxis or hotel coaches from Hong Kong International Airport to the city.



Source: google map

(i) Airport Express

It takes 24 minutes from airport to Hong Kong Station by using the Airport Express train. Trains depart at about 12-minute intervals daily. It costs 15 USD/single trip or 26 USD/round trip. Ticket can be bought at Airport Express Customer Service Centre or [online](#). There are free shuttle buses to certain hotels from the City Airport Express Stations. The [Shuttle Bus](#) stops at many major hotels in Hong Kong / Kowloon and runs about every hour. Please enquire from your hotel.

(ii) Public Buses – Cityflyer

The bus stops of the Cityflyer routes are nearby many major hotels and also provide overnight bus services. The [Cityflyer Airport Services to Hotel](#) costs between US\$5

to \$7 per single journey. The Airport Bus Terminal is located near the right-hand ramp outside the Arrivals Hall.

(iii) Taxis

Taxis offer a door to door service to and from Hong Kong International Airport. Arriving passengers can catch a taxi at the Taxi Station, located near the left-hand ramp outside the Arrivals Hall. You can take the Urban Taxis (red) from airport to Wan Chai or Causeway Bay at a cost of approximate US\$50 or US\$60 respectively per single journey. Approximate taxi fares from airport to different destination can be checked [online](#).

(iv) Hotel Coaches

If you are staying at a major hotel, the [hotel coach](#) will deliver you directly to your hotel. You can book a seat on a hotel coach by approaching the Commercial Services Counter in Arrivals Hall B, Terminal 1.

b) Arrival By Ferry

Hong Kong is linked to a number of ports in Macau and Mainland China by high-speed ferries servicing Hong Kong Island, Kowloon and Hong Kong International Airport (off Lantau Island). For more information, check the [ferry services](#).

c) Arrival from Mainland China By Cross Boundary Train

Cross Boundary trains run between different cities in China and Hong Kong SAR.

i) MTR East Rail Line: To/From Shenzhen, China via Lo Wu and Lok Ma Chau

Coming from Shenzhen in Mainland China via the **Lo Wu** and **Lok Ma Chau** checkpoints passengers can take a local MTR train into the city after passing through Hong Kong Immigration. Check the [Train Trip Planner](#).

ii) Intercity Passenger Services: Beijing / Shanghai / Guangdong Through Train

This service runs between Changping, Guangzhou East or Foshan of Mainland China and Hung Hom Station, Kowloon in Hong Kong SAR. For more information, please [click here](#).

d) Local Transportation

Public transportation is available for daily internal transport to/from the competition venue. Many areas in Hong Kong are convenient to the venue (some within walking distance) and taxis are relatively inexpensive.

i) Walking

The venue is located in Causeway Bay. Within walking distance from Causeway Bay and Wan Chai.

ii) MTR

The closest MTR metro station to the venue is Causeway Bay. MTR lines cover most parts of Hong Kong. It is easy and convenience to explore the city with the MTR. You can plan your trip easily by using the [Train Trip Planner](#).

14. Visas

Nationals of about 170 countries and territories may visit Hong Kong without a visa/entry permit for a period ranging from 7 days to 180 days. Please refer to the website of Hong Kong Immigration Department on visa or entry permit requirements for visitors to the HKSAR.

<http://www.immd.gov.hk/eng/services/visas/visit-transit/visit-visa-entry-permit.html>

If you need Visa Invitation, please send the name list and nationality by email as soon as possible. It is necessary to apply for visas in good time. The OC will not be responsible for teams unable to obtain visas due to late application or any other reasons.

15. Contact

For all enquires, submission of entries and other information, please contact the OC at the following address:

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Annex

Deadline for submission

Annex 1: Final Entry

22nd October 2018

Annex 2: Accreditation Form – Athletes

22nd October 2018

Annex 3: Accreditation Form – Officials

22nd October 2018

Annex 4: Boat and Oar Rental

22nd October 2018

Thank you and See you in Hong Kong!

Partners of Asian Rowing Federation



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