

VOLVO CHINA COAST RACE WEEK 2017 13 to 22 October 2017



COMPRISING

VOLVO CHINA COAST REGATTA 2017 – 13 to 15 OCTOBER 2017 AND VOLVO HONG KONG TO VIETNAM RACE 2017 – 18 to 22 OCTOBER 2017

The 2017 Volvo China Coast Race Week (CCRW) comprises the Volvo China Coast Regatta 2017, sailed over three days in the waters south and east of Hong Kong Island, and the Volvo Hong Kong to Vietnam Race 2017, an Offshore Category One race of 673 nautical miles from Hong Kong to Nha Trang, Vietnam.

Nha Trang is a great finishing point for boats intending to continue on to other sailing events included on the established Asian circuit, in countries such as Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, the Philippines and Australia.

Boats are welcome to enter both or either of the CCRW constituent events, to suit their own schedule. Both the Volvo China Coast Regatta 2017 and the Volvo Hong Kong to Vietnam Race 2017 are stand-alone events and have their own Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions, parties and prizes.

Boats which compete in both the Volvo China Coast Regatta 2017 and the Volvo Hong Kong to Vietnam Race 2017 will automatically be entered in the CCRW 2017 and will be eligible for prizes under IRC handicap.

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 CCRW 2017 will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and this Notice of Race (NoR).
- 1.2 The Volvo China Coast Regatta 2017 and the Volvo Hong Kong to Vietnam Race 2017 will be governed by their own respective NoRs and Sailing Instructions (SIs).
- 1.3 Boats competing in CCRW 2017 will be able to compete under separate IRC certificates for the Volvo China Coast Regatta 2017 and the Volvo Hong Kong to Vietnam Race 2017 provided that they are submitted by the declared deadlines as stated in the respective NoR for each event.
- 1.4 Endorsed or otherwise, IRC certificates submitted after these deadlines will not be accepted by the CCRW 2017 Committee except in the limited circumstances provided in NoR 4.3 below.

2. SCORING

- 2.1 Scoring for CCRW 2017 will be in accordance with RRS Appendix A except that no score will be excluded. This changes RRS A2 and A8.1. A boat's series score will be the total of her score in each race of the Volvo China Coast Regatta 2017 and her score in the Volvo Hong Kong to Vietnam Race 2017.
- 2.2 Boats wishing to be eligible for overall results under IRC in CCRW 2017 <u>must complete</u> both the Volvo China Coast Regatta 2017 and the Volvo Hong Kong to Vietnam Race 2017.

3. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the winner overall of each class, or division of a class, for boats taking part in CCRW 2017.

4. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILTY

- 4.1 Competitors participate in CCRW 2017 entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race committee, the organising authority (RHKYC), sponsor(s), and their employees and volunteers will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.
- 4.2 Owners and skippers are invited to co-operate closely with the organising authority, the race committee and the RHKYC Sailing Office in completing the formalities of their boat entries by submission of all required information, certificates, forms, etc. within the deadline dates quoted throughout the Volvo China Coast Regatta 2017 NoR and the Volvo Hong Kong to Vietnam Race 2017 NoR. It is the sole responsibility of the owners and/or skippers to comply with the deadline dates and failure to do so in respect of any aspect will be treated as a failure to enter the regatta and/or the offshore race, in which case, boats will not be eligible

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to compete **unless** evidence of genuine extenuating circumstances for the lateness is accepted by the respective event's race committee.

5. INSURANCE

For both the Volvo China Coast Regatta 2017 and the Volvo Hong Kong to Vietnam Race 2017 all boats shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance of at least the minimum cover required by HKSAR regulations.

6. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 6.1 Yachts entering from overseas, please contact **RHKYC Marine Manager** Alan Reid at: alan.reid@rhkyc.org.hk, Tel: +852 2239 0308, Fax: +852 2572 5399, for all details regarding facilities, berthing and commissioning prior to the event.
- 6.2 For race management enquiries, please contact the **RHKYC Sailing Manager** Ailsa Angus at: ailsa.angus@rhkyc.org.hk, Tel: +852 2239 0395, Fax: +852 2239 0364.
- 6.3 Other details and requirements for CCRW 2017 will be set out in the Volvo China Coast Regatta 2017 NoR and SIs as published at www.chinacoastregatta.com and the Volvo Hong Kong to Vietnam Race 2017 NoR and SIs as published at www.hkvietnamrace.com.