

HKUST Water Sports Center

Courses Available in August 2026

We are pleased to announce that Water Sports Courses will be organized for all full-time UG & PG students in August 2026. The courses will combine lectures and practicums and will be conducted in English by qualified instructors. We will provide all necessary equipment to participants.

Requirements: Participants must demonstrate their swimming ability by completing at least 50 meters before the course begins. This can be fulfilled either by passing the swimming proficiency test listed below or by providing valid proof of equivalent ability **at the HKUST Outdoor Swimming Pool**.

Batch	Course starts from	Swimming Proficiency Test	Time
Batch 1	1-16 Aug	30 Jul 2026	15:00 – 16:00 pm
Batch 2	19-30 Aug	10 Aug 2026	

**If you are unavailable for the swimming proficiency test in your assigned batch, you may join another batch session. However, the test must be completed before the course begins. No additional sessions will be arranged.*

** Students who have previously attended classes at the Water Sports Center are not required to attend the swimming proficiency assessment again.*

Course Schedule in Aug 2026:

Batch	Event Code	Course	Date (Day) & Time	Venue	Vacancies
1	DS064	Level 1 & 2 Certificate Course in Dinghy Sailing	1, 2, 8, 9 & 15 Aug 2026 (Sat & Sun) 09:00am – 5:00pm	Water Sports Center	6
1	DS065	Level 1 & 2 Certificate Course in Dinghy Sailing	5, 6, 7, 12 & 13 Aug 2026 (Wed - Fri) 09:00am – 5:00pm	Water Sports Center	6
1	KY059	One to Three Star Award Certificate Course in Kayaking	8, 9 & 15 Aug 2026 (Sat & Sun) 09:00am – 5:00pm	Water Sports Center	8
1	SP048	Standup Paddle Stage 1 & 2 Certificate Course	6 & 7 Aug 2026 (Thu & Fri) 09:00am – 5:00pm	Water Sports Center	8
1	WS070	Basic Certificate Course in Windsurfing	1 & 2 Aug 2026 (Sat & Sun) 09:00am – 5:00pm	Water Sports Center	5
1	WS071	Basic Certificate Course in Windsurfing	12 & 13 Aug 2026 (Wed & Thu) 09:00am – 5:00pm	Water Sports Center	5
2	DS066	Level 1 & 2 Certificate Course in Dinghy Sailing	19, 20, 21, 26 & 27 Aug 2026 (Wed - Fri) 09:00am – 5:00pm	Water Sports Center	6
2	KY060	One to Three Star Award Certificate Course in Kayaking	19, 20 & 26 Aug 2026 (Wed & Thu) 09:00am – 5:00pm	Water Sports Center	8

2	SP049	Standup Paddle Stage 1 & 2 Certificate Course	22 & 23 Aug 2026 (Sat & Sun) 09:00am – 5:00pm	Water Sports Center	8
2	WS072	Basic Certificate Course in Windsurfing	22 & 23 Aug 2026 (Sat & Sun) 09:00am – 5:00pm	Water Sports Center	5
2	*SHC03	Sailing Helmsman Clinic	27 Aug 2026 (Thu) 09:00am – 5:00pm	Water Sports Center	6

** **Sailing Helmsman Clinic (SHC)**: This course is for those holders of the Hong Kong Sailing Federation (HKSF)'s Level 2 Basic Skills Certificate, offering a chance for participants to further enhance their understanding of various craft, broaden their knowledge of different dinghies and review seamanship skills.*

Enrolment Process and Deadlines

- Course vacancies will be allocated through a ballot system. If applications exceed available spots, a random selection process will be conducted.
- Online enrolment is open for **Batch 1 from now until 3:00pm on 26 Jul 2026.**
- Online enrolment is open for **Batch 2 from 10:00am on 1 Aug until 3:00pm on 3 Aug 2026.**
- Each applicant may apply for **ONE COURSE for each Batch**. Duplicate and incomplete applications will not be processed. Only your latest completed application will be considered.

Important Links

- Please use the following Enrollment Link (1st batch) & [Enrollment Link \(2nd batch\)](#) to submit your online applications.
- Check the [Announcement](#) **Batch 1 at 12:00 noon on 27 Jul 2026** for the list of successful and reserve registrants.
- Check the [Announcement](#) **Batch 2 at 12:00 noon on 4 Aug 2026** for the list of successful and reserve registrants.
- This announcement will inform you about enrolment statuses and waitlist placements.

Payment Information

- **Batch 1** successful registrants need to pay a **HK\$500 deposit on 28 & 29 Jul 2026 between 9:15 AM-12:30PM and 2:15PM-5:15PM at LG3002** (accessible via Lift 3 or 6).
- **Batch 2** successful registrants need to pay a **HK\$500 deposit on 5 & 6 Aug 2026 between 9:15AM-12:30PM and 2:15PM-5:15PM at LG3002** (accessible via Lift 3 or 6).
- Cash payments will not be accepted; payments can be made through electronic methods including FPS, Alipay, WeChat Pay, and credit cards.
- The deposit will be refunded only to participants who either pass a swimming proficiency test or provide proof of equivalent swimming proficiency and complete the course with full attendance.

Weather Policy

Water Sports Activities may be cancelled or rescheduled due to bad weather. Participants should check their email for notifications from the Water Sports Center regarding class arrangements around 7:30 AM on the event day. For further inquiries, please call 2358 7385 after 7:30 AM.

For additional information, please review the [Essential Notes for Water Sports Participants](#), which includes important guidelines and tips for successful course participation. If you have any inquiries, please contact us at 2358 7385 or email wsc@ust.hk. We look forward to seeing you at the courses!

Best Regards,
Water Sports Center
Sports Development of Dean of Students' Office
30 Jul 2026