

2018 Hong Kong Handbell Festival

The 13th School Handbell Competition

Application Regulations

Organizer: Handbell Association of Hong Kong

Co-organizer: Hong Kong Handbell Academy

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Mission:

- To promote Hong Kong handbell music and enhance local ringers performance level through competitions
- To strengthen co-operations and teams spirit within each handbell group
- To develop student ringers' musicianship

Events / Classes	Dates	Venues
Semi-Final	18 & 19 April 2018	Christian Family Service Centre (Kwun Tong)
Final	3 & 4 May 2018	PHC Wing Kwong College
Creative Ringing (Open Group) Colorbells (Kindergarten & Junior Primary)	8 May 2018	Christian Family Service Centre (Kwun Tong)

Online application period: 11 December 2017 to 20 January 2018

Deadline for application: 20 January 2018

Deadline for score order: 20 January 2018

Deadline for submission of participant list: 31 March 2018

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Class Details:

- (a) Range: Kindergartens (K1-K3), Junior Primary (P1-P2).
- (b) Applicants are requested to perform ONE own choice piece only. The level is not restricted. Color-coded instrument such as color deskbells, color handbells, combined colorbells or colorchimes can be used.
- (c) To encourage creativity, applicants can perform the selected music in any style and format. Use of additional instruments or a choir is acceptable. In order to follow the safety regulations and keep the venue clean, party poppers, soap bubbles, fireworks and etc. are prohibited during the performance.
- (d) The number of participants in each team should be between 8 and 30 students, the number of bell/chime ringers should be no less than 75% of the total number of the team.
- (e) Time limitation: 10 minutes for setup and performance. (from move in to move out including time of performance). Penalty will be applied if the team is overtime.
- (f) Performance duration: Kindergartens: not less than 1.5 minutes; Junior Primary: not less than 2 minutes.
- (g) Applicants will be assessed by the following **6 criteria**:
 - i. Accuracy;
 - ii. Interpretation;
 - iii. Techniques;
 - iv. Stage Presentation;
 - v. Team Spirit;
 - vi. Creativity
- (h) This class is assessed in grades of Honours, Merit and Proficiency; Trophies (Honours) and certificates (Merit or Proficiency) will be awarded.
- (i) According to the Score Guidelines & Order (see 2.), participants should indicate clearly in the scores any re-arrangement of the own choice piece when submitting the score to the adjudicators.
- (j) Applicant is required to prepare **3 photocopies** of the music score to the adjudicators on the competition day during registration. No marks and certificates would be given if none or insufficient photocopies are submitted.
- (k) Stage size is approximately 36 feet (W) x 12 feet (D). The Association will provide an upright piano, CD player with blue tooth connection (for MMO playback), 1 music stand and a maximum of 6 tables (6 feet (W) x 2.5 feet (D) x 2.5 feet (H)) with foams and covers will be provided. All teams are required to bring their own instruments and other accessories as needed.
- (l) Tables will be set up as one straight row on stage. Any team who requires a different setting and would like to have assistance from the Association stage crews (2 persons) should submit the stage plan at least **7 working days** before **competition**. No assistance will be provided for any late submission or modification after submission.