



## Island Junks - Rules & Information for Charters

In order to prevent any miscommunication or misunderstandings on the day of the junk trip and to ensure full transparency before you make a booking, please read this document in full and ensure that you understand all of the information contained herein. Should you have any questions, or wish us to clarify any issue, please do not hesitate to ask.

- The individual who makes the booking (the Charterer) is responsible for the final payment and for all aspects of the booking itself – this includes responsibility for their guests' behaviour as well as any damage/loss caused by any of their party. **Full payment is due a minimum of five business days in advance of the junk trip date.**
- The Charterer is responsible for informing all passengers of these rules as well as all the details of the event. By paying a deposit to secure a booking you are agreeing to these terms and conditions in their entirety.
- Where passengers are responsible for any damage or loss caused to the boat (or its related facilities) they are liable for the repair or replacement costs entailed. The Charterer is responsible for this payment.
- The captain of the vessel has sole discretion with regard to decisions made on board. The captain may issue directions to staff and guests should a situation arise and these must be adhered to. The captain has the right to control the music level on board at all times. Following reckless, dangerous or antisocial behaviour on behalf of the charter group, or for any other reason related to passenger/boat/crew safety, the captain has absolute authority to curtail the junk trip and take the vessel to the nearest pier for passengers to disembark.
- The number of passengers who board the boat may not exceed the maximum capacity of the vessel. If so the captain must refuse to sail out. In case more passengers wish to board than were originally confirmed & paid for, any additional passenger will be charged the relevant rate per person, regardless of whether or not food and/or drinks are sufficient. **This is payable in cash before the boat can set off to its destination. The Charterer is responsible for arranging payment.**
- Passengers are solely responsible for their own personal safety and that of any property they bring aboard. Bringing illegal substances or using illegal substances during the junk trip is not permitted. Smoking of any substance below deck is not permitted. For your own safety and the safety of others, Island Junks Ltd recommends passengers only wear appropriate, flat-soled footwear whilst on board the vessel and remain seated at all times whilst underway. Furthermore, Island Junks Ltd recommends no dancing whilst underway, no running, jumping, or diving off the upper deck at any time and no swimming in the evening. Island Junks Ltd takes no responsibility for damages, theft or personal injuries during boarding, the duration of the junk trip, at the time of disembarkation, or at any time thereafter.



- Island Junks Ltd has third-party insurance coverage in accordance with Hong Kong's regulations. Please be aware, however, that this insurance does not provide cover for damage to personal property or to individuals in many circumstances (e.g. personal accident/injury). If you wish to comprehensively protect yourself and your guests Island Junks Ltd recommends that you arrange insurance that is specifically intended for this purpose (for example, One-Day Safe Local Travel Accident Insurance style product).
- Island Junks Ltd must emphasise that children are the sole responsibility of their parents. We do not offer or provide child-minding services. To ensure the safety of your children, we recommend having at least 1 adult per 2 children to supervise.
- For safety purposes, Island Junks Ltd has a no-pet policy.
- Please respect the environment. Passengers must not throw any empty bottles, cans or any other trash overboard. Littering is an offence in Hong Kong.
- When the booking party plans to bring any significant audio equipment on board the junk, Island Junks Ltd needs to be informed at least 14 working days in advance.
- Under no circumstances may the boat's sound system be used in conjunction with DJ equipment. If a DJ is operating on the boat then **ALL** relevant equipment must be provided by the Charterer.
- Music is not permitted during the time of the boat docking or mooring (or at any time as instructed by the boat's crew for safety purposes).
- The boat is only to be used for leisure, not for any commercial or illegal purpose, and the boat must remain within Hong Kong territorial waters.
- The passengers are assumed to embark and disembark at the same point. If other arrangements are desired, they must be discussed and agreed beforehand with Island Junks Ltd and might incur additional costs.
- The standard rental time is seven hours for a daytime charter (10:30am-5:30pm) and four hours for an evening charter (6:30-10:30pm). The standard rental's travel time (boat underway) between pick-up & drop-off is a maximum of four hours. Any additional motoring hour (or part thereof) will be subject to a fuel surcharge. Any additional overall charter time will be subject to the approval of Island Junks Ltd. In situations where an extension to the agreed charter time is possible then further charges will apply. Please be aware that unless notified in advance of the event then the captain will take the most direct route to and from the destination based upon the agreed start & finish points. **PLEASE CONFIRM YOUR ROUTE & ITINERARY PRIOR TO DEPARTURE.**
- At the end of the junk trip, upon arrival at the drop-off point, passengers are not permitted to take any left over food or beverages (as provided by Island Junks Ltd).
- Infants (0-3 years) are not catered for.
- Children (4-12 years) receive the children's menu in all cases unless it has been specifically requested at least five days in advance of the junk trip that they are to receive the full menu (in which case further charges would apply).
- When making a booking agreement with Island Junks Ltd the Charterer acknowledges that photographs may be taken of the event and consent that these photographs may be used by Island Junks Ltd for promotional purposes.



- The junk rental date cannot be changed for rain, typhoon signal 1-2, thunder warning, monsoon warning, yellow or red rain warnings or any other weather conditions. If the renting party insists on cancelling the junk any monies already paid will be forfeited.

However, if a Typhoon Signal 3 (or higher) or a Black Rainstorm Warning is in force in the two hours before the pick-up time of the booked junk trip, Island Junks Ltd will automatically postpone the junk trip to a later date in agreement with the booking party. The Initial Deposit will be held. A refund will be made for the balance payment received, less an administration fee of HKD800. In cases where Island Junks Ltd is providing catering then a charge of HKD80 per person will also be payable.

If a Typhoon Signal 3 or higher is hoisted or a Black Rainstorm Warning is issued during the junk trip, the captain is obliged to immediately return the vessel to the point of pick-up or to the nearest appropriate place of shelter, in accordance with the Marine Department Ordinance. Island Junks Ltd must emphasise that no compensation will be made for any "unused" time.

- If due to mechanical reasons prior to the junk trip date, the boat is not able to sail out, Island Junks Ltd will try to provide a boat similar to the one booked. If no other boats are available, Island Junks Ltd will inform the Charterer immediately and agree to either change the date upon agreement with the Charterer or refund any monies already received.

If mechanical problems occur during the junk trip on the way to the confirmed destination, the captain will provide best efforts to carry the passengers to either the destination or to the most convenient drop-off point. If the vessel has already been out for more than half of the booked time or has already reached its destination, no compensation time will be given. If compensation time is applicable, it can only be used on a regular day (no special holidays), or the booking party can choose to have a proportional amount of the fee returned.

- If there is a change in weather conditions, for safety purposes or for any other reasons, the captain always has the right to select an alternative and / or a safer route.
- In the case that the actual number of passengers attending the junk trip is less than the final count of confirmed passengers agreed in advance, Island Junks Ltd charges the total payment amount based on the final count of confirmed passengers agreed in advance and NOT on the actual number of passengers attending the junk. Refunds are therefore not applicable.
- The initial deposit received will only be returned in cases where the booking party cancels the junk trip **more than six weeks prior to the junk trip date.**