

DECISION

Request No.: 03

Protest

Event: SB20 Asia Pacific Championships 2024 Race Number: 3
Hearing Schedule: 2024-02-02 18:30

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 03: SB20 - SB20 - FRA 3339 - WOM'N SAIL - H el ene Urrutti

SB20 - SB20 - UAE 3037 - PUSSY GALORE - Alberto Accogli

Witnesses: No Witnesses were called

Interpreters: No Interpreters Required

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: No Due to the incident the red flag was not displayed but complied with RRS 61,1(a)
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Decision: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

The hearing was heard remotely using Video Conferencing

3037 Did not come to the hearing.

A third Juror (Derek Moynan) joined the hearing late but was not objected to by 3339.

FACTS FOUND

1. Race 3 - 3:40 minutes before the start to leeward of the starting line.
2. Wind 18-20 Knts
3. 3339 on starboard was on a windward course approximately 3 boat lengths to leeward of the start line.
4. 3037 on Port was on a reaching course converging with 3339.
5. There was contact between the boats at the shrouds on 3339 and damaged to the hull of 3339 such that she had to retire from Race 3 and sailed ashore.
6. There is major structural damage to 3339.
7. Due to the damage 3339 did not fly a protest flag as 61.1 (c).
8. 3037 Did not compete in race 3 and sailed ashore.

Diagram: Endorsed by Protest Committee

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: RRS 10. 14.

1. 3037 on port tack failed to keep clear of 3339 on starboard tack, and broke RRS 10.
2. 3037 did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14.
3. It was not reasonably possible for 3339 the right-of-way to avoid contact with 3037 when it was clear that 3037 was not keeping clear. 3339 did not break RRS 14.
4. Since 3037 was not racing but was sailing in or near the racing area and she interfered with a boat that was racing, the preamble to RRS Part 2 permits the protest committee to penalize her.

DECISION

3037 is DSQ in Race 3

Redress is given to 3339 subject to more information on her damage.

Date & Time:

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Committee Type: Protest Committee

Chaired By: William Bradburn (GBR)

