

DECISION

Request Number: 2

Protest

Event: 2017 Melges 24 NorAm Championship **Race Number:** 2

Hearing Date: 2017-07-20

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: M24 - USA 832 - MYST - Rod Buck

Respondent(s): M24 - USA 201 - Jack Mormon Coffee - Brian Hutchinson

Witnesses: none

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: Yes

DECISION: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

FACTS FOUND

1. The wind was approximately 18 kts with moderate current against
2. Boat 832 approached the starboard leeward gate mark on port outside the zone and then gybed to starboard
3. As 832 completed her gybe, and before entering the zone, 201 came from clear astern and gained overlap to windward of 832
4. approximately 10 seconds later both boats rounded the mark with 201 clear ahead of 832.
5. there was no contact or collision

Diagram: Protest Committee diagram attached

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

201 established an inside overlap to windward of 832 just prior to the zone. 201 kept clear of 832 as required by rule 11. 832 gave mark-room to 201 as required by rule 18.2(b). No rules were broken

DECISION

Protest Dismissed

Date & Time: 2017-07-19 19:00 PDT

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Michael Turner (CAN)

Committee Members: Jared Hickman (USA), Michael Stainsby (USA)

Printed: 09 Aug 19:19