

DECISION

Protest by PC

Request No.: 05

Event: Europa Cup / 2ª PAN Race Number: 2
Hearing Schedule: 2024-02-02 19:45

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 05: Protest Committee

Support Person - João Duarte

Witnesses: Paulo Sousa

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

Mr Duarte, coach, immediately after towing boats to the race area, was observed by the jury driver a RIB (support vessel) not using a kill cord.

Later, with 3knots wind, as the ILCA 6 fleet was finishing Race 2, Mr Duarte's vessel was 10mts to windward to the finishing line with an ILCA alongside.

The Jury asked him to move, twice.

After the second request, Mr Duarte asked what was the problem and started to sail away.

Mr Duarte moved his Rib to the area between mark 2 and gate 3S 3P.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: 21.5 and 21.6

Mr Duarte as a support vessel driver fail to use a device that stops the engine if the boat driver falls out the boat or is otherwise not in control of the boat.

Mr Duarte as a support vessel did not stay outside the racing area during a race, and Break SI 21.5.

DECISION

Date & Time: 2024-02-02 21:32 UTC

Mr Duarte in his support vessel must stay anchored on the second day of the race, 100 metres to leeward of the race committee start vessel from the first warning signal until the last competitor finishes the last race of the day, or the RC signals races are abandoned for the day. Mr Duarte may leave anchor to provide assistance only in the event that V is signaled by the Race Committee, or an official vessel requires the coach of any of the boats for which he is directly responsible to attend at an incident.

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Committee Type: Protest Committee

Chaired By: João Carneiro (POR)

Committee Members: Gordon Davies (IRL), Tonny Jensen (NOR), Iuan Gray (RSA), Fernando Cruz (POR)