

DECISION

Protest

Request No.: 21

Heard Jointly With Number(s): 19

Event: 2024 Formula Kite European Championships Race Number: 10
Hearing Schedule: 2024-03-21 19:25

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 21: Formula Kite - Male - CHN 65 - Haoran Zhang

Formula Kite - Male - CYP 17 - Denis Taradin

Request No.: 19: Formula Kite - Male - CHN 65 - Haoran Zhang - Haoran Zhang

Kite Man - Yellow - 17 - 17

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: N/A

Decision: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. Xiguang Zhang attended the hearing as a translator for CHN 65.
2. Aleksey Chibizov (CYP coach) attended the hearing as an observer.
3. CHN 65 provided tracking evidence.
4. CYP 17 provided video evidence.
5. The panel of the International Jury was composed in accordance with RRS N1.4(b).

FACTS FOUND

1. The conditions at the time of the incident were 20 knots of wind and 30 cm waves.
2. On the first leg, CHN 65 and CYP 17 were sailing close-hauled on starboard tack, with CYP 17 being 100m clear ahead and 30m to leeward of CHN 65.
3. CYP 17 tacked onto port tack and was on a converging course with CHN 65 then.
4. When the kites were 10m apart, CHN 65 slowed down by 1.5 knots.
5. CYP 17 crossed about 10m ahead of CHN 65.
6. If CHN 65 had not slowed down, CYP 17 would have still crossed ahead of CHN 65 without making contact.
7. Neither kiteboard took a penalty.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: RRS 10, N1.4(b)

CYP 17 on port tack kept clear of CHN 65 on starboard tack, complying with RRS 10.

DECISION

The protest is dismissed.

Date & Time: 2024-03-21 20:47 CET

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Committee Type: International Jury

Chaired By: Adrian Bauder (SUI)

Committee Members: Yoann Peronneau (FRA), César Sans (ESP)