

DECISION

Request Number: 24

Protest and Request for Redress

Event: 2019 KiteFoil World Series Gizzeria/Weifang/Pingtang/Cagliari Race Number: 4

Hearing Date: 2019-09-06

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request Number: 24: KiteFoil - Act 2 - Weifang - FRA 69 - Benoit Gomez

KiteFoil - Act 2 - Weifang - MON 60 - Alexander Ehlen

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit Attempted but had trouble submitting online; inquired with PRO

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: Not required

DECISION: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

FACTS FOUND

1. FRA 69 was sailing on port on a broad reach at the finish line.
2. MON 60 was sailing on port just behind FRA 69.
3. FRA 69 fell (capsized) because he hit a plastic bag after the finish but before she cleared the finish line.
4. MON 60 jumped to avoid FRA 69 however MON 60's foil cut several of FRA 69's lines to his kite.
5. FRA 69 could not sail race 5 because he was unable to repair his kite in time.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

1. It was not reasonably possible for MON 60 to keep clear of FRA 69 as required by RRS 23.1
2. It wasn't reasonably possible for MON 60 to avoid contact with FRA 69, as required by RRS 14.
3. The damage to the kite of FRA 69 was serious.

DECISION

Protest Upheld
No Rule Broken
Redress Denied

Date & Time: 2019-09-06 19:33 CST

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Paco Quinonero (ESP)

Committee Members: Paul Zupan (USA), Tony Lu (CHN), Fa Ji (CHN)

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