

DECISION

Request Number: 11

Protest by RC

Event: Singapore National Sailing Championships 2019 Race Number: 7

Hearing Date: 2019-06-14

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: Optimist Gold - SGP3279

Respondent(s): Race Committee

Witnesses: Edwin

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes RC allege SGP3279 hit the finish pin end mark in Race 7 and did not exonerate herself

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: Yes

DECISION: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

FACTS FOUND

1. The finish line was between RC Vessel on starboard and a port pin end mark 15 meters away in Race 7.
2. The Race Officers viewed all finishings from the RC vessel side at the starboard end.
3. There was no RC vessel at the Pin end of the finish line to observe finishings.
4. When SGP3279 crossed the line near the pin end buoy, there were 2 other boats between her and the committee vessel finishing abeam of each other.
5. The RC saw the buoy move as SGP3279 cross the finish line.
6. Sea state was choppy.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

1. The Jury is not convinced that SGP3279 touched the mark as the alleged point of contact is on the blind side of SGP3279's boat and the pin end buoy.
2. There were two other boats obscuring the RC view.

DECISION

Protest is dismissed.

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PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Lock Kit (SGP)

Committee Members: Joe Chan (SGP), Tee Suan Tan (SGP), Leonard Chin (MAS)

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