

DECISION

Request Number: 2

Protest and Request for Redress

Event: 29er US NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP Race Number: 3

Hearing Date: 2017-07-27

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: 29er - NZL 2550 - Sam Bacon

Respondent(s): 29er - NZL 2393 - Zelda Ladefoged

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed 61.1(a)(4) applies

Red Flag Displayed: Not required

DECISION: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

FACTS FOUND

1. 2550 on port (P); 2393 on starboard (S) were approaching the windward mark.
2. Both boats were in the zone.
3. P luffed, but did cross head to wind, to round the mark and was close to S.
4. S luffed to avoid P but it was not possible for her to do so.
5. S contacted P and Ps pole snapped.

Diagram: Protest Committee diagram attached

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

1. NZL 2550 broke rules 10 and 14.
2. It was not reasonably possible for NZL 2393 to avoid the contact with P, therefore she did not break rule 14.

DECISION

Protest Upheld

NZL 2550 is disqualified in race 3 of the final series.
 Her request for redress is denied.

Date & Time: 2017-07-27 17:46 PDT

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: K Hawkins (USA)

Committee Members: Damien Boldyrew (AUS), Kirk Brown (USA)

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