

DECISION

Request Number: 01

Protest

Event: 2019 Formula Kite NA/Caribbean Championship and Hydrofoil Pro Tour Race Number: 10

Hearing Date: 2019-08-25

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: Hydrofoil Pro Tour - GER 11 - Gabriel Wicke

Respondent(s): Hydrofoil Pro Tour - FRA 39 - Theo De Ramecourt

Witnesses: John Heineken (USA 77)

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: Not required

DECISION: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

FACTS FOUND

1. GER 11 was sailing close hauled on port upwind.
2. FRA 39 was sailing downwind on port tack passing in front of GER 11.
3. The leading edge of FRA 39's kite hit the front of GER 11's bridle and kite.
4. GER 11 capsized from the collision.
5. GER 11's kite had one of the diagonal straps broken and partial damage to others.
6. Both boards finished the race.
7. FRA 39 took a post race scoring penalty.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

1. FRA 39 to windward failed to keep clear of GER 11 to leeward, as required by RRS 11.
2. Although it was reasonably possible, FRA 39 did not avoid contact with GER 11 as required by RRS 14.

DECISION

Protest Upheld.

No further penalty is imposed

Date & Time: 2019-08-24 18:46 PDT

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Mays Dickey (USA)

Committee Members: Andrus Poksi (EST), Paul Zupan (USA), Francisco Jauregui (MEX) Joanna Poksi (EST)

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