DECISION

Protest

Event: 2023 Club Marine Sail Brisbane Race Number: 5 Hearing Schedule: 2023-12-10 16:15

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 09: VX One - AUS 301 - Double Black - John Somerville

F18 - 095 - No Name - Steve Devlin

Witnesses: John Holmes for 301; Arthur Gough for 095; Amon Dooley for 095

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

- 1. 301 claimed they hailed protest at time of incident, then at leg to offset mark.
- 2. 095 claimed that protest was not hailed/heard.
- 3. RRS 61.1(a) applies hail does not have to be heard.

FACTS FOUND

- 1. 12kt +/- wind and flat sea.
- 2. 095 an F18 catamaran on port tack at speed approaching mark 1 for the second rounding to port.
- 3. 301 a VX 1 skiff on starboard slightly sprung and converging with 095.
- 4. Both boats in the zone.
- 5. 095 tacked onto starboard ahead of 301.
- 6. 301 altered course to sail above close hauled to avoid contact with 095.
- 7. No boat took a penalty turn.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: 18.3;

1. 095 in tacking in the zone and causing 301 also in the zone to sail above close hauled broke RRS 18.3.

DECISION

1. 095 is scored DSQ in race 5.

Date & Time: 2023-12-10 18:23 AEST

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Committee Type Protest Committee Chaired By: Neville Willis (AUS) Committee Members: Mark Gallagher (AUS), Jan Kemp (AUS), David Irvine (AUS)

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