

DECISION

Request No.: 04

Protest

Event: 2021 World Sailing Youth World Championships Race Number: 1
Hearing Schedule: 2021-12-13 17:25

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 04: Windsurfer Female - SGP Windsurfer Female - Angel Seah
Windsurfer Female - FIN Windsurfer Female - Siri Kaskeala
Witnesses: POR, Helena Cristina Barcelos de Sousa

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. Hearing held under RRS N 1.4 (b).
2. Chung Pei Ming (SGP coach) and Borjo Carracedo (FIN coach) attended as observers.

FACTS FOUND

1. Wind speed was 6-8 knots and the sea state was choppy.
2. On the second downwind, SGP and FIN were approaching the Mark 3P on port tack, SGP clear astern of FIN.
3. SGP established a leeward overlap half a board length to leeward of FIN.
4. After 5 seconds SGP started luffing.
5. There was contact between SGP's port bow to FIN's starboard footstraps.
6. SGP slowed down by standing on the back of her board and then her sail fell into the water.
7. POR overtook SGP while she was recovering her sail.
8. There was no damage and no board took a penalty turn.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: RRS 11, 14, AppB 62.1(b)1

FIN to windward failed to keep clear of SGP to leeward and broke RRS 11.

FIN did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible and broke RRS 14.

It was not reasonably possible for SGP the right-of-way board to avoid contact with FIN, when it was clear that FIN was not keeping clear. SGP did not break RRS 14.

SGP's score in Race 1 was made significantly worse through no fault of her own by capsizing because of the action of FIN, that broke RRS 11 and 14 and was penalized.

DECISION

Date & Time: 2021-12-13 17:59 +04

FIN is DSQ in Race 1.

Redress is given to SGP. SGP is to be scored in Race 1 points equal to 9. No other board's score shall change.

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Sungchul Jeong (KOR)

Committee Members: Jerrold Ng (SGP), Márton Beliczay (HUN)