## **Protest**

Protest No: 02

Received At: 2023-08-17 17:11 BST

1. Event Name: 2023 Irish National and Open Optimist Championships

Protest On: 2023-08-17

Race No: 1

# 2. Hearing Type

✓ Protest	Request to Reopen
Protest by RC	Reopening by PC
Protest by PC	Request for Redress
Protest by TC	Request for Redress by RC

#### 3. Protestor

Main - Senior - IRL 1665 - Gemma Brady

#### 4. Protestees

1. Main - Senior - IRL 1668 - Rory Whyte

### 5. Incident

Time Place: Start race 1

Rules: 11

Witnesses: 1639 1575

# 6. Informing Protestee

✓ Hail:

Hail When: Immediately Hail Comment: Protest

□ Red Flag:

**Red Flag Comment** 

☐ Other:

Other Comment:

# 7. Description Of Incident

About 10-15 secs prior to start, 1668 was windward of 1665. As the fleet started to accelerate 1668 bore away abruptly and accelerated at a very low angle (to avoid being over?) as I pulled my own sail and pointed up to do my own acceleration. 1668 did not keep clear as windward boat despite my calls « windward boat keep clear ». 1639 was right below me s so o I could not bear way to match 1668 angle and avoid contact. I dropped my sail to attempt avoiding contact but with my momentum it was not avoidable. 1668 eventually pointed up and started. I started behind. I shouted protest.

1639 saw it. 1575 indicated she saw it. We were close to stb end so video may be available. My coach saw it.

## 8. Damage Or Injury

No

#### **Attachments**

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