

DECISION

Request No.: 10

Protest

Event: 2021 World Sailing Youth World Championships Race Number: 3
Hearing Schedule: 2021-12-14 16:45

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 10: 420 (Female) - USA 420 Female - Vanessa Lahrkamp
420 (Female) - GRE 420 Female - Dimitra Vartolomaïou

Witnesses: Video evidence taken by USA coach

Interpreters: NIL

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. GRE was not present when the hearing started at 16:50. Hearing proceeded in accordance with RRS 63.3(b).
2. GRE, Dimitra Vartolomaïou (helm), came into the hearing room at 16:55, after the validity had been established and USA was presenting her initial statement
3. GRE requested some time to get her crew who would be the representative. An allowance of time was granted.
4. USA was represented by Vanessa (helm) and GRE was represented by Metaxia Gogou (crew).
5. The hearing was heard with a panel of four members in accordance with RRS N1.4.

FACTS FOUND

1. Wind speed was 5 knots and the sea-state was flat.
2. USA clear astern of GRE, both boats were on starboard tack approaching the starting line.
3. GRE was stationary with her sails luffing on a course slightly below close-hauled.
4. USA established an overlap to leeward of GRE, 20s to start.
5. The gap between the two boats was 1m when the overlap was established.
6. 6 seconds after the overlap was established, GRE bore away and immediately USA also bore away, the gap between the two boats narrowed to half a meter.
7. There was no contact and no penalty was taken.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: RRS 11

1. GRE to windward failed to keep clear of USA to leeward, and broke RRS 11.

DECISION

GRE is DSQ in Race 3.

Date & Time: 2021-12-14 17:33 +04

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Santiago Villamil (ARG)
Committee Members: Jerrold Ng (SGP), Márton Beliczay (HUN), Mohamed Al Battashi (OMA)