

# Protest

Protest No: 01

Received At: 2022-11-06 13:04 PST

## 1. Event Name: 2022 - 2023 Polar Bear Series

Protest On: 2022-11-06

Race No: 1

## 2. Hearing Type

☒ Protest

☐ Protest by RC

☐ Protest by PC

☐ Protest by TC

☐ Request to Reopen

☐ Reopening by PC

☐ Request for Redress

☐ Request for Redress by RC

## 3. Protestor

Hotfoot 31 - 2 - 49507 - Thursday's Child - Nicholas Flandin

## 4. Protestees

1. Dufour 310 - 3 - Rio - Brad Davies

## 5. Incident

**Time Place:** Start line just after start of race

**Rules:** 11 On The Same Tack, Overlapped

**Witnesses:** Crew of Thursday's Child (Nicholas, Dan, three others , Rio, Pair of Hearts. Thursday's Child had a camera on, and footage should be available shortly.

## 6. Informing Protestee

☒ **Hail:**

**Hail When:** Immediately after the boats made contact

**Hail Comment:** Protest!

☒ **Red Flag:**

**Red Flag Comment** Within 10 seconds of contact

☐ **Other:**

**Other Comment:**

## 7. Description Of Incident

Thursday's Child was running the start line (on Starboard under main only, and over early. Rio was to windward, also on starboard, and had their spinnaker up. Thursday's Child had just gone under Pair of Hearts, and was maintaining a course about 5-10 degrees above parallel to the line, and Rio came down on her, turning up in the last few seconds. Rio's spinnaker brushed Thursday's Child's spreader, as Thursday's Child turned down to avoid contact. Rio continued coming down into Thursday's Child, and Paul (aboard Rio) yelled that Thursday's Child should head down. Rio then collided with Thursday's Child, and the latter yelled "protest" and deployed a red flag attached to the backstay.

## 8. Damage Or Injury

None has been observed yet, though this report is being completed while still underway.

## Attachments