

Protest by TC

Protest No: 38

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1. Event Name: 2021 World Sailing Youth World Championships

Protest On: 2021-12-16

Race No: 10

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

Technical Committee

4. Protestees

1. 29er (Male) - ISV 29er Male - Steven Hardee

5. Incident

Time Place: After R10

Rules: NOR Addendum A - A.1.3. and CR C.9.3

Witnesses: Equipment Supplier Representatives Ovington

6. Informing Protestee

Hail:

Hail When: After R10 and inspection of equipment on the water

Hail Comment: I have to protest you

Red Flag:

Red Flag Comment

Other:

Other Comment:

7. Description Of Incident

In the morning of the 16/12/2021 the TC randomly checked 29er Forestays of boats around the boat park. All inspected Forestays showed a seal around its turnbuckle in form of a cable tie and a shrinking tube. The idea is that both break if the turnbuckle is used to change the mast rake, which is a performance affecting way of trimming the boat. The turnbuckle of ISV did not showed the seal, but the team was also not around to inform as they were in the late starting group of the day. The TC asked the boat supplier if they are aware of the issue and informed the TC that the team is allowed to remeasure the forestay to ensure compliance with CR C.9.3 and receive a new seal.

The TC then went on the water to deal with the early starting classes without informing 29er - ISV, Male but in the belief that the sailors on a World Championship and with multiple track record of events with supplied equipment will ensure the rule compliance of their boat before starting into the first race of the day.

After other classes were inspected on the water 29er - ISV, male was requested to show the forestay turnbuckle of the boat and it did not show the seal which is usually applied by the supplier. The boat was informed that this is a breach of the rules and that the TC will protest 29er - ISV, Male.

29er, ISV - Male explained on the water that they have spoken with the supplier, but a seal was not supplied so 'it was not 29er, ISV - Males fault' The boat suggested to remeasure the forestay after sailing with the TC and Supplier as it is not possible to alter the turnbuckle/rake easily on the water to proof that they only breached NOR A.1.3 and not CR C.9.3.

The boat was inspected directly after the last day of the race without giving the opportunity to change the turnbuckle/forestay length. The forestay length was complying with Class Rule C.9.3, so only NOR A.1.3. was breached.

8. Damage Or Injury

Attachments

