

DECISION

Request No.: 01

Protest

Event: National 18 2023 National Championships Race Number: 2
Hearing Schedule: 2023-05-14 10:30

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 01: 428 - Nick Walsh

427 (41) - Charles Dwyer

Witnesses: 417

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed acknowledged.

Red Flag Displayed: Not required

Decision: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Last finisher last race 1556. PTL 90mins. Protest lodged about 1730 (no clear record of time, also no forms available). PC concluded this was first practical opportunity after coming ashore (beat from Cuskinny.) and PTL extended. Protest valid.

FACTS FOUND

Wind 12kts, Sea state flat.

428 approaching WM on Stb from outside 3BLZ, close hauled, fetching mark.

417 was weather and above.

427 approaching WM on port, close hauled.

427 tacked onto starboard, about 2BL from mark on completion of tack.

427 was fetching the mark on starboard having completed their tack, wireman out, 1/2 BL below and slightly ahead of 428.

428 was required to take avoiding action by luffing above close hauled to avoid collision approx 1BL from mark.

417 to weather of 428 also luffed above close hauled to avoid 428.

Diagram: Endorsed by Protest Committee

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: 18.3

1. After 427 passed head to wind from port to starboard tack inside the zone and was then fetching the mark, she caused 428 on starboard tack since entering the zone, to sail above close-hauled to avoid contact. 427 broke RRS 18.3.

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427 is DSQ in race 2.

Date & Time: 2023-05-14 11:07 IST

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Committee Type Protest Committee

Chaired By: Ian Venner (IRL)

Committee Members: