

# DECISION

Protest by TC

Request No.: 06

Event: 2023 J/24 European Championship Race Number: 3  
Hearing Schedule: 2023-08-25 17:15

## PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 06: Technical Committee

J/24 - HUN 64 - Budapest Wedding - Bajusz ANDRÁS

## VALIDITY

**Objection to Jury:** No

**Within Time Limit:** Within Time Limit

**Incident Identified:** Yes

**Proper Hail:** Hail not required TC informed the protestee about the intention to protest during the protest time limit ashore.

**Red Flag Displayed:** Not required

**Decision:** Request Valid

## PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. The technical committee was represented by Michael Peters.
2. HUN 64 was represented by Peter Farkas.
3. The panel of the International Jury was composed in accordance with RRS N1.4(b).

## FACTS FOUND

1. Wind conditions 2.5-5.5 knots, air temperature 38 degrees Celsius, heat warning level 3.
2. The technical committee carried out an on-water inspection on HUN 64 after race 3.
3. HUN 64 had stored 10 bottles of mineral water on the cabin sole. HUN 64 stored the bottles in this location so that they were secure, yet accessible whilst racing.
4. During the inspection HUN 64 was open to the technical committee and made no attempt to conceal the breach.
5. During the hearing HUN 64 acknowledged that they had stored the water and apologized. HUN 64 was not aware that this was prohibited in the class rules.

**Diagram:** Diagram not endorsed

## CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

**Rules:** C5.3, SI 1.12

1. By storing water bottles in the cabin sole, HUN broke RRS C5.3.

## DECISION

**Date & Time:** 2023-08-25 18:18 CEST

1. Using the DP Policy a starting penalty of 5% was decided.
2. The penalty was decreased because the breach was unintentional and there was good reason for the breach because of the extremely hot conditions.
3. There were no reasons to justify increasing the penalty.
4. The penalty applied is 2% to race 3, calculated to the nearest tenth of a point, (0.05 to be rounded upward).

## PROTEST COMMITTEE

**Committee Type:** International Jury

**Chaired By:** Alina Stratigiou (GRE)

**Committee Members:** Zsolt Regenyi (HUN), Will Davies (GBR)