

# DECISION

Request for Redress

Request No.: 12

Heard Jointly With Number(s): 11

Event: O'pen Skiff World Championships 2023 Race Number: 8, 9  
Hearing Schedule: 2023-07-20 19:45

## PARTIES AND WITNESSES

**Request No.: 12:** Openskiff - U15 - 12692, 10973, 10983, 12151, 11788 - Sofia Leoni

Race Committee

**Request No.: 11:** Openskiff - U15 - 12692, 10973, 10983, 12151, 11788 - Circolo vela arco - Sofia Leoni

Race Committee

**Witnesses:** Jury alfa course

## VALIDITY

**Objection to Jury:** No

**Within Time Limit:** Beyond with Good Reason

**Incident Identified:** Yes

**Proper Hail:** Hail not required

**Red Flag Displayed:** Not required

**Decision:** Request Valid

## PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. Hearing No. 12 was heard together with hearing No. 11 in accordance with RRS 63.2 since both hearings arose from the same incident.
2. ITA 12692, ITA 10973, ITA 10983, ITA 12151, ITA 11788 did not come to the hearing. The hearing proceeded in accordance with RRS 63.3(b).

## FACTS FOUND

### Facts about validity:

1. The race committee posted the results for the U15 Gold fleet at 20:15 and for the Silver fleet at 20:19 on the 19th of July 2023.
2. ITA 12692, ITA 10973, ITA 10983, ITA 12551 and ITA 11788 were penalized with a standard penalty of 1 point for all races on the 19th of July.
3. ITA 12692, ITA 10973, ITA 10983, ITA 12551 and ITA 11788 lodged a request of redress on the 20th of July 2023 at 11:25.
4. The race committee posted a notice on the 20th of July at 13:47 stating that the standard penalty for ITA 12692, ITA 10973, ITA 10983, ITA 12551 and ITA 11788 will apply in race 8.

### Facts found:

1. After the starting signal of the U17 fleet and before the starting signal of the U12 fleet of race 9 on the 19th of July 2023, support person vessel No.5 and the person on board was observed by the race committee being over the extensions of the starting line in Race Area B, close to the pin-end.
2. On the 18th of July 2023, the race committee posted an amendment to the sailing instructions as follows:
  1. Remove SI 11.4 and replace with: [SP] [NP] There will be a waiting area around 75 meters leeward the starting line. This area will be bounded by an imaginary line between spherical red little buoys.
  2. Remove SI 21.2 and replace with: [SP] [NP] Coach and support boats shall remain outside areas (75 m. min from any laylines and starting/finishing marks) where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first fleet to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement or abandonment except to assist a crew in distress or at request of the Race Committee. Furthermore, coach and support boats shall stay below the line defined in SI 11.4 from the preparatory signal of the first fleet until the starting signal of the second fleet.

3. Add SI 11.6: Failure to comply with SI 11.5 or 21.2 will result in a 1 point penalty without a hearing for each competitor assigned to the Support Persons responsible. This changes RRS 64.5.
3. Support person on board vessel No. 5 was registered as support person for ITA 12692, ITA 10973, ITA 10983, ITA 12151 and ITA 11788.
4. ITA 12692, ITA 10973, ITA 10983, ITA 12551 and ITA 11788 were all racing in the U15 fleet in Race Area A.

**Diagram:** Diagram not endorsed

#### **CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY**

**Rules:** RRS 62.1(a), 62.2, 63.3(b), SI 11.4, 11.6, 21.2

1. ITA 12692, ITA 10973, ITA 10983, ITA 12551 and ITA 11788 failed to deliver the request for redress as soon as reasonably possible after learning of the reasons for making it, as required by RRS 62.2. However, there was good reason for the PC to extend the time limit under RRS 62.2.
2. By scoring ITA 12692, ITA 10973, ITA 10983, ITA 12551 and ITA 11788 with a Standard Penalty of 1 point in Race 8, there was neither an improper action nor omission of the race committee. Therefore, the requirements for redress in RRS 62.1(a) are not met.

#### **DECISION**

Redress is not given.

**Date & Time:** 2023-07-20 19:59 CEST

#### **PROTEST COMMITTEE**

**Committee Type** International Jury

**Chaired By:** Sylvie Harle (FRA)

**Committee Members:** Stavros Kouris (GRE), Giuseppe D'amico (ITA), Bojan Gale (SLO), Luca Supplizi (ITA)

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