DECISION Request No.: 01

Request for Redress

Event: Dinghy Frostbites Race Number: 1 Hearing Schedule: 2022-11-08 19:30

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 01: Laser - Full rig - 90 - Stephen Quinn

Race Committee

Witnesses: None

Interpreters: Not required

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Hail not required

Red Flag Displayed: Not required RRS

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Decision: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. Hearing held via Zoom video call

FACTS FOUND

- 1. Wind speed approximately 9-12 kts. Sea state flat. Tide 1-2 knots ebb running South East (From committee boat to gybe mark).
- 2. The course was "O" per the SI. See also attached Diagram. The leg from Mark 1 to Mark 2 was intended to be approximately 700m long.
- 3. 28 boats started. 12 in standard fleet.
- 4. There were some fishing pot marks, some similar to the small inflatable racing marks, in the race area.
- 5. Due to the flat water and reflected low sun, the PRO could not see the intended Mark 2. A mark laying boat was not at the intended Mark 2, nor was it required to be.
- 6. ILCA 90 rounded Mark 1 in 6th position
- 7. The boats (5) in front of ILCA 90 sailed to same mark they considered to be Mark 2.
- 8. ILCA 90 sailed lower (up-tide) to a different mark it considered to be Mark 2.
- 9. ILCA 90 sailed to Committee Boat and announced her intention to retire from Race 01.
- 10. No other boats retired.

Diagram: Protest Committee diagram attached

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules:

- 1. The intended Mark 2 was likely to have drifted down tide, to the East.
- The intended Mark 2 was in an unusual place, with respect to that set out in the Sailing Instructions, so ILCA 90 headed Mark 2's expected location.
- 3. ILCA 90s' place in Race 01 was made significantly worse, through no fault of her own, by an improper action or omission of the Race Committee, that being the mark was not adequately anchored in place.

DECISION

1. Redress is given to ILCA 90.

2. ILCA 90 is to be scored in Race 01 points equal to the average, to the nearest tenth of a point (0.05 to be rounded

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upward), of her points in all the races in the series except Race 01 and except the races on the last schedule day of racing. Discards should not form part of the average score calculation. No other boat's score shall change.

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Derek Moynan (IRL)
Committee Members: Emmet Dalton (IRL), Robin Hegarty (IRL)

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