

DECISION

Request No.: 07

Protest

Event: Impera Winter Regatta 2023 Race Number: 1
Hearing Schedule: 2023-12-09 18:15

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 07: 420lady - FRA 56505 - Marine Bouvet

420open - FRA 56217 - Alessio Lulli

Witnesses: FRA 57529

Interpreters: Jean Miltiade Bouyoukas -Chairman of the panel - acts as interpreter

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: Not required

Decision: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

FRA 56217 did not come to the hearing, the hearing proceeded in accordance with RRS 63.3(b).

FACTS FOUND

- 1) wind was around 11 knots and choppy sea
- 2) on the first downwind leg of race 4 FRA 56505 sailing on a run on starboard, approaching the starboard mark of the gate (mark 3s),
- 3) FRA was outside overlapped with FRA 57529 and another unidentified boat when the first boat entered the zone of mark 3s.
- 4) FRA 56217 was sailing on a run on starboard, also approaching mark 3s, clear astern of FRA 56505 and of the other two boats inside overlapped with FRA 56505.
- 5) FRA 56505 was clear ahead of FRA 56217 of about 1 and half boat lengths when she entered the zone of mark 3s
- 6) FRA 56505 became clear ahead of FRA 57529 and the other boat when these were rounding mark 3s
- 7) FRA 56217, who was sailing faster than FRA 56505, obtained an inside overlap with FRA 56505 she reached was at about 1 boat length from mark 3s.
- 8) FRA 56505, who had just become clear ahead, intended to luff to round mark 3s close to it, but had to bear away and round it about three meter to leeward of it in order to avoid contact with FRA 56217.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: 18.2(b)

FRA 56217 clear astern at the time FRA 56505 reached the zone, failed to give FRA 56505 mark-room, and broke RRS 18.2(b)

DECISION

FRA 56217 is DSQ in race 5

Date & Time: 2023-12-09 19:33 CET

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Committee Type: Protest Committee

Chaired By: Jean-Miltiade Bouyoukas (FRA)

Committee Members: Claudio Uras (ITA), Marco Sarcoli (ITA)