

# DECISION

Request No.: 04

## Protest and Request for Redress

Event: 2022 Formula Kite World Championships Race Number: 1  
Hearing Schedule: 2022-10-11 17:40

### PARTIES AND WITNESSES

**Request No.: 04:** Formula Kite - Red - 119 - Lorenzo Boschetti  
Formula Kite - Red - 152 - Marcus  
Formula Kite - Red - 152 - Marcus Edregan

### VALIDITY

**Objection to Jury:** No  
**Within Time Limit:** Within Time Limit  
**Incident Identified:** Yes  
**Proper Hail:** Protest hailed  
**Red Flag Displayed:** Yes  
**Decision:** Request Valid

### PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. Alfredo Ricci, coach of ITA 119, attended the hearing as an observer.

### FACTS FOUND

1. ITA 119 and USA 152 were approaching the leeward mark being the last mark before the finish.
2. ITA 119 were on port tack and USA were on starboard tack.
3. 50 meters before the mark ITA 119 gybed.
4. When ITA 119 entered the zone he was clear ahead of USA 152.
5. After rounding the mark USA 152 established an overlap to leeward of ITA 119.
6. Immediately after establishing the overlap the lines of USA 152 made contact with the kite of ITA 119.
7. Several bridles of ITA 119 broke.
8. Both kites capsized.
9. The coach of ITA 119 helped ITA 119 relaunch the kite.
10. ITA 119 retired from the race and sailed ashore.
11. USA 152 finished the race.

**Diagram:** Diagram not endorsed

### CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

#### Rules:

1. When acquiring right of way through her own actions, USA 152 failed to initially give ITA 119 room to keep clear, and broke RRS 15.
2. USA 152 to windward failed to keep clear of USA 152 to leeward, and broke RRS 11.
3. Since USA 152 was compelled to break RRS 11 as a consequence of USA 152 breaking RRS 15, she is exonerated under RRS 43.1(a) for this breach.
4. It was not reasonably possible for ITA 119, the kiteboard sailing within the room to which she was entitled, to avoid contact with USA 152 when it was clear that USA 152 was not giving room. ITA 119 did not break RRS 14.
5. USA 152 did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14.
6. ITA 119's place in race 1 was made significantly worse in part through her own fault. Therefore, the requirements for redress in RRS 62.1 are not met.

### DECISION

USA 152 is DSQ in race 1.

Date & Time: 2022-10-11 18:55 CEST

Redress is not given.

**PROTEST COMMITTEE**

**Chaired By:** Arnaud Mante (FRA)

**Committee Members:** Line Juhl (DEN), Andres Perez (ESP), Alan Baser (GBR), Antonio Gonzalez de la Madrid (ESP)

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