DECISION Request No.: 12

# **Protest**

Event: Singapore National Sailing Championships 2022 Race Number: 11

Hearing Schedule: 2022-06-21 17:45

# **PARTIES AND WITNESSES**

Request No.: 12: Optimist - SG SGP4453 - Ashlea Tham

Optimist - Tha 2513 - Kram Chan Tarawin

Witnesses: SGP 3458 (Zhitong), a witness of the initiator, gave

evidence.

#### 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**

#### **FACTS FOUND**

- 1. THA 2513 and SGP 4453 were sailing downwind on starboard tack.
- 2. When the first of them reached the zone of the port rounding gate mark, 3P, both boats were overlapped. THA 2513 was the outside boat and two-thirds of a boat length ahead of SGP 4453.
- 3. When the boats were at the mark, there was contact between the hulls.
- 4. There was no damage or injury.
- Neither boat took a penalty.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

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

Rules: RRS 18.2(b), 11 and 14

- 1. THA 2513 outside overlapped at the zone failed to give SGP 4453 mark-room, and broke RRS 18.2(b).
- 2. THA 2513 did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14.
- 3. THA 2513 to windward failed to keep clear of SGP 4453 to leeward, and broke RRS 11.
- 4. SGP 4453, the right-of-way boat and the boat sailing within the mark-room to which she was entitled, did not act to avoid contact with THA 2513 when it was reasonably possible. SGP 4453 broke RRS 14. Since SGP 4453 was the right-of way boat and sailing within the mark-room to which she was entitled and the contact did not cause damage or injury, she is exonerated under RRS 43.1(c) for breaking RRS 14.

DECISION Date & Time:

THA 2513 is DSQ in race 11.

## PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Selvam Mookken (SGP) Committee Members: Joe Chan (SGP)

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