

DECISION

Request No.: 02

Protest

Event: 2023 Asia-Pacific Formula Kite and TTR Championships Race Number: 8
Hearing Schedule: 2023-11-25

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 02: FK - Female - POL 50 - Julia Damasiewicz

FK - Female - CHN 87 - Wan Li

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: N/A

Decision: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. POL 50 was represented by Julia Damasiewicz.
2. CHN 87 was represented by Wan Li.
3. Ginger (coach of CHN 87) attended the hearing as an observer.
4. Qu Chun (member of the International Jury) attended the hearing as translator for CHN 87.
5. The panel of the International Jury was composed in accordance with RRS N1.4(b).

FACTS FOUND

1. The conditions at the time of the incident on the second downwind were 11-12 knots of wind and 0,5m waves.
2. POL 50 and CHN 87 were sailing downwind on starboard tack with POL 50 being 30m clear astern and 30m to leeward.
3. CHN 87 lifted her kite and gybed to port tack.
4. Less than 5 seconds later, POL 50 lifted her kite, luffed and passed CHN 87's stern at a distance of 7m between the boards of CHN 87 and POL 50.
5. Neither kiteboard took a penalty.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: RRS 10; World Sailing Case 50

1. There was reasonable doubt that CHN 87 could have crossed, if POL 50 had not taken avoiding action (see WS Case 50)
2. CHN 87 on port tack failed to keep clear of POL 50 on starboard tack, and broke RRS 10.

DECISION

CHN 87 is DSQ in race 8.

Date & Time: 2023-11-25 16:43 CST

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Committee Type: International Jury

Chaired By: Marina Psychogyiou (GRE)

Committee Members: Fengyi Hu (CHN), Finn Mrugalla (GER)

