

DECISION

Protest

Request No.: 03

Heard Jointly With Number(s): 04

Event: 19th SAFYC Regatta 2023 Race Number: 4
Hearing Schedule: 2023-04-01

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 03: ILCA 4 - Nil - SGP 221060 - nil - Kenan Tan

ILCA 4 - nil - SGP 219158 - nil - Isaac Goh

Request No.: 04: ILCA 4 - nil - SGP 221060 - nil - Kenan Tan

ILCA 4 - nil - 4730 - nil - Ethan Teo

Witnesses: nil

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. Hearing numbers 3 and 4 were heard together as they related to the same incident. RRS 63.2

FACTS FOUND

1. SGP 214730, SGP 219158, SGP 221060, Boat X and others were sailing along the pre-start side of the starting line towards the race committee vessel at the port end of the starting line. SGP 214730 was the leeward most followed by SGP 219158, SGP 221060 and Boat X. They were close behind each other on starboard tack.
2. Immediately after the starting signal, SGP 214730 crossed the starting line and then tacked to port. SGP 219158 luffed and there was contact between the starboard side of SGP 214730 and the port bow of SGP 219158. There was also contact between SGP 219158 and SGP 221060; and SGP 221060 and Boat X.
3. There was no damage or injury.
4. No boat took an appropriate penalty.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: RRS 10, 14 and 43.1(a)

1. SGP 214730 on port failed to keep clear of SGP 219158 on starboard, and broke RRS 10.
2. SGP 214730 did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14.
3. It was not reasonably possible for SGP 219158, the right-of-way boat, to avoid contact with SGP 214730 and SGP 221060 and Boat X with the boat ahead of them, when it was clear that SGP 214730 was not keeping clear. SGP 219158, SGP 221060 and Boat X did not break RRS 14.

DECISION

1. SGP 214730 is DSQ in race 4.

Date & Time: 2023-04-01 19:00 +08

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Selvam Mookken (SGP)

Committee Members: Ignatius Thiam and Jason Swee