

DECISION

Request No.: 01

Protest

Event: 2023 Asia-Pacific Formula Kite and TTR Championships Race Number: 7
Hearing Schedule: 2023-11-25 15:45

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 01: 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 five seconds before the starting signal were 11-12 knots of wind and 0,5m waves.
2. POL 50 was slightly clear ahead and 8m to leeward of CHN 87, when CHN 87 lowered her kite so that it touched the lines of POL 50's kite. No damage or tangle occurred.
3. POL 50 stopped and the competitor fell into the water.
4. CHN 87 lifted her kite again and continued sailing the course.
5. Neither kiteboard took a penalty.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: RRS 12 and 14

1. CHN 87 clear astern failed to keep clear of POL 50 clear ahead, and broke RRS 12.
2. CHN 87 did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14.
3. It was not reasonably possible for POL 50, the right-of-way kiteboard, to avoid contact with CHN87 when it was clear that CHN 87 was not keeping clear. POL 50 did not break RRS 14.

DECISION

CHN 87 is DSQ in race 7.

Date & Time: 2023-11-25 16:20 CST

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Committee Type International Jury

Chaired By: Marina Psychogyiou (GRE)
Committee Members: Finn Mrugalla (GER), Fengyi Hu (CHN)

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