

DECISION

Protest

Request No.: 11

Heard Jointly With Number(s): 14

Event: YAI Sail India 2024 Race Number: 9
Hearing Schedule: 2024-01-19 18:10

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 11: 470 (MIX) - IND IND 14 - RAVINDRA KUMAR SHARMA

470 (MIX) - IND IND 59 - SUDHANSHU SHEKHAR

Request No.: 14: 470 (MIX) - IND IND 59 - SUDHANSHU SHEKHAR

470 (MIX) - IND IND 14 - RAVINDRA KUMAR SHARMA

Witnesses: IND 44 represented by Anmol and Jury Evidence was given by Satish Kanwar

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

- Appendix T applied to the event.
- Satish Kanwar was the arbitrator.
- IND 14 did not withdraw the protest after the arbitration meeting and neither boat accepted a Post-Race Penalty under RRS T1(a).
- Hearing No. 11 was heard together with Hearing No. 14 in accordance with RRS 63.2 since both hearings arose from the same incident.

FACTS FOUND

1. The wind speed was 5-6 knots.
2. Tide was across the sailing area from pin end mark towards the committee end of the start line.
3. At the start line, 15 seconds before the start IND 59 was on a starboard tack 1 and a half boat length below the line.
4. IND 44 was to the windward of IND 59 with distance between the hulls being half a hull length.
5. At 7-8 seconds before the start, IND 14 established an overlap to the leeward side of IND 59 and immediately luffed.
6. IND 59 responded by luffing immediately.
7. There was a contact between the port quarter of IND 59 and the starboard side of the bow of IND 14.
8. Neither boat took any penalty.
9. There was no damage or injury.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: RRS 11, 14, 15, 43.1(b) and 43.1(c)

1. When acquiring right of way through her own actions, IND 14 failed to initially give IND 59 room to keep clear and broke RRS 15.
2. Since IND 59 broke RRS 11 while she was sailing within the room to which she was entitled, she is exonerated under RRS 43.1(b) for this breach.
3. Since IND 14 was right-of way boat and the contact did not cause damage or injury, she is exonerated under RRS 43.1(c) for breaking RRS 14.

DECISION**Date & Time:** 2024-01-19 19:16 IST

IND 14 is DSQ in Race no 9.

PROTEST COMMITTEE**Committee Type** Protest Committee**Chaired By:** Praveen Prabhakar (IND)**Committee Members:** Satish Kumar Kanwar (IND), Satyavir Siwatch (IND), Ananya Siwatch (IND), Gaurav Kinha (IND)**Printed:** 20 Jan 15:08