DECISION Request No.: 01

Protest

Event: 2020 Gill Queensland Youth Week & F11 State Titles Race Number: 3

Hearing Date: 2021-07-04

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 01: Laser Radial - Laser Radial - AUS 206397 - Gronk - Hayden Barney

Laser Radial - Laser Radial - AUS 205831 - SX - Isaac Schotte

Witnesses: Max Williams - Serenity Now

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. Gronk ahead of SK both boats were running to a gate mark, by the lee, outside the zone.
- 2. SK passed Gronk and established an inside overlap, with approx. 1m lateral separation.
- 3. SK hailed Gronk the windward boat to keep clear.
- 4. Gronk maintained their course, claiming they were sailing their proper course.
- 5. SK altered course away from Gronk.
- 6. There was contact between to bow of SK and port stern of Gronk.

Diagram: Endorsed by Protest Committee

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: 11, 14,15,17, Proper Course, Room, Case 46

- 1. Gronk to windward of SK on the same tack and overlapped did not keep clear of SK the leeward boat attempting to sail their proper course. Definition Proper Course, RRS 11.
- 2. It was reasonably possible for Gronk to avoid contact with SK. SK attempted to avoid contact with Gronk RRS 14.
- 3. SK gave room to Gronk to keep clear RRS 15.
- 4. SK did not sail above their proper course RRS 17.

DECISION

1. Gronk to be scored DSQ in Race 3.

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Nev Willis (AUS)

Committee Members: Mark Gallagher (AUS), Michael O'Neill (AUS), David Irvine (AUS)

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