

DECISION

Request No.: 12

Protest and Request for Redress

Event: 2023 Formula Kite Youth (U21) World Championships Race Number: 8
Hearing Schedule: 2023-07-20

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 12: FK - Female - CRO 36 - Marija Dolenc

FK - Female - FRA 20 - Lilou Balanca

Interpreters: Bruno De Wannemaeker

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. Bruno De Wannemaeker, chairman of the Technical Committee, attended the hearing as translator for FRA 20.
2. Ivica Dolenc, coach of CRO 36, attended the hearing as observer.

FACTS FOUND

1. The conditions at the time of the incident were 10 knots of wind and flat water.
2. After rounding mark 3, FRA 20 and CRO 36 were sailing on starboard-tack with FRA 20 being 5 metres clear ahead and 4 metres to leeward of CRO 36.
3. FRA 20 lifted her kite and tacked to port tack.
4. At the same time that FRA 20 lifted her kite, CRO 36 also lifted her kite and bore away.
5. Approximately three seconds after FRA 20 had put her kite up, contact occurred between CRO 36's kite and the lines of FRA 20 for three seconds.
6. Both competitors fell into the water, recovered later and finished the race.
7. No damage, tangle or injury occurred to either kiteboard.
8. Neither kiteboard took a penalty.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: RRS 10, 14, 62.1(b)

1. FRA 20 on port failed to keep clear of CRO 36 on starboard, and broke RRS 10
2. FRA 20 did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14.
3. It was not reasonably possible for CRO 36, the right-of-way boat to avoid contact with FRA 20 when it was clear that FRA 20 was not keeping clear. CRO 36 did not break RRS 14.
4. CRO 36's place in race 8 was not made worse by physical damage or injury. Therefore, the requirements for redress in RRS 62.1(b) are not met.

DECISION

Date & Time: 2023-07-20 18:10 CEST

1. FRA 20 is DSQ in race 8.
2. Redress is not given.

PROTEST COMMITTEE**Committee Type** International Jury**Chaired By:** Timo Haß (GER)**Committee Members:** Finn Mrugalla (GER), Stephen Procter (GBR), Max Marselis (NED), Per Olof Ekstrand (SWE)

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