

# DECISION

Request No.: 01

## Protest

Event: Sun Hung Kai & Co. Hong Kong Race Week 2024 Race Number: 01  
Hearing Schedule: 2024-02-01 17:00

### PARTIES AND WITNESSES

**Request No.: 01:** Technical Committee

Optimist Main Fleet - 4499 - Li Wei %u529B%u73AE Pang %u5E9E

**Witnesses:** Wu Ling Sheng (Coach)

**Interpreters:** Chao Wan - Jury Member

### VALIDITY

**Objection to Jury:** No

**Within Time Limit:** Within Time Limit

**Incident Identified:** Yes

**Proper Hail:** N/A

**Red Flag Displayed:** N/A

**Decision:** Request Valid

### PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Observers: Felix Ng, Howie Suen (Jury members)

### FACTS FOUND

The sailor had originally registered with Sail No. 4499 prior to the event.

The sailor believed he had changed his sail number to Sail No. 44 with the registration secretary prior to sailing.

The sailor had not sought permission to substitute equipment as required by NOR 10.2.2

The sailor was witnessed by the Technical Committee competing with Sail No. 44.

**Diagram:** Diagram not endorsed

### CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

**Rules:** NOR 10.2.2

4499 changed the sail number without the permission of the technical committee and broke NoR10.2.2.

NOR 10.2.2 is marked as [DP] (a discretionary penalty) in the NOR10

Using the WS Discretionary Penalty Policy, a starting penalty of 5% was decided.

There were no facts to justify increasing or decreasing the penalty.

### DECISION

**Date & Time:** 2024-02-01 18:00 HKT

The discretionary penalty shall be 5% applied to all races of the day, calculated to the nearest tenth of a point, (0.05 to be rounded upward), but not worse than the score for DNF.

### PROTEST COMMITTEE

**Committee Type:** International Jury

**Chaired By:** Alain Choi (HKG)

**Committee Members:** Benjamin Harding (HKG), Rut Subniran (THA), Masaaki Tanaka (JPN), Cathy Delany-Hobbs (NZL)