

DECISION

Request No.: 02

Protest

Event: Sun Hung Kai & Co. Hong Kong Race Week 2024 Race Number: 3
Hearing Schedule: 2024-02-01 16:35

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 02: feva - 7 - 7 - ZI TONG XU

Feva - 111

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

Observers: Raymond Wu, Cathy Delany-Hobbs, David Fan, Howie Suen (HK National Judges), Casie Ho, Adrian Li (Coach for 111), Xi Yu Hu, Kevin Leung (Sailors)

The parties did not agree to have arbitration meeting.

FACTS FOUND

Winds were 10kts, and sea state of mild chop.

At the start line 10 seconds prior to the start, Feva 111 was overlapped 1m to windward of Feva 7.

Both boats were stationary on a reaching course below the startline.

At the start time, Feva 7 luffed to start the race.

There was contact between Feva 111's port aft quarter and Feva 7's starboard bow.

There was no damage or injury.

Neither boat took a penalty turn.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: RRS11, RRS14

Feva 111 to windward failed to keep clear of Feva 7 to leeward, and broke RRS 11.

Feva 111 did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14.

Feva, 7 the right-of-way boat did not act to avoid contact with Feva111 when it was reasonably possible and it became clear that Feva111 was not keeping clear. Feva 7 broke RRS 14.

Since Feva 7 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

Feva 111 is DSQ in race 1.

Date & Time: 2024-02-01 18:36 HKT

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Committee Type: International Jury

Chaired By: Chao Wang (CHN)

Committee Members: Benjamin Harding (HKG), Rut Subniran (THA), Masaaki Tanaka (JPN), Felix Ng (HKG)