

DECISION

Protest

Request No.: 02

Event: 2022 Rolex Big Boat Series Race Number: 1
Hearing Schedule: 2022-09-15 17:30

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 02: Express 37 - One Design - USA 87700 - Elan - Jack Peurach

Express 37 - One Design - USA 18257 - pHat Jack - Robert Lugliani

Witnesses: Nick Schmidt, trimmer on Elan, Bartz Schneider skipper of Expeditious

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: Yes

Decision: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Jack Peurach represented Elan

Josh Goldberg represented pHat Jack

FACTS FOUND

1. 87700 and 18257, both Express 37s, with symmetrical spinnakers approaching a downwind finish
2. 18 knots of wind
3. 1-2 knots of current was pushing from pin end to boat end
4. 87700 on port jibed onto starboard 1 boatlength to windward of 18257 on starboard when the boats were 8-10 boatlengths from the finish line
5. After the jibe, 87700 to windward luffed to keep clear of 18257 to leeward
6. When 87700 was 2 boatlengths from the finish boat, 87700 luffed and rounded up to avoid colliding with the finish boat.
7. 18257 finished approximately 20 feet from the finish boat.
8. 87700 finished after taking down her spinnaker and tacking back to cross the finish line.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: 18.2(a)

1. 87700 had a reasonable apprehension of collision when she luffed to avoid the finish boat
2. 18257 outside overlapped, failed to give 87700 mark-room, and broke RRS 18.2(a).

DECISION

Date & Time: 2022-09-15 18:38 PDT

18257 is DSQ in Race #1.

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Elias Gonzalez (MEX)

Committee Members: Michael Turner (CAN), Danielle Lawson (USA)