

DECISION

Request No.: 20

Protest

Event: 2022 Formula Kite European Championships Race Number: 8
Hearing Schedule: 2022-09-30 19:10

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 20: FK - Women - ITA 16 - Sofia Tomasoni

FK - Women - CHN 18 - Jingle Chen

Witnesses: Video

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

1. Simone Vannucci, coach of ITA 16, attended the hearing as an observer.
2. Tian Wang, China team leader, attended the hearing as an observer.

FACTS FOUND

1. Wind approximately 7 to 8 knots, flat water.
2. ITA 16 was sailing on starboard tack on a beat to windward.
3. CHN 18 was sailing on starboard tack, 40m clear ahead and approximately 25m to leeward of ITA 16.
4. CHN 18 tacked onto port and then she was on a collision course with ITA 16.
5. At that time the distance between the kiteboards was about 20m.
6. When ITA 16's kiteboard was about 15m away from CHN 18, ITA 16 slowed down, bore away and passed behind CHN 18.
7. If ITA 16 had not changed course, there would have been a contact between the kites.
8. CHN 18 did not change her course.
9. There was no contact.
10. Neither kiteboard took a penalty.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: RRS 10

1. CHN 18 on port failed to keep clear of ITA 16 on starboard, and broke RRS 10.

DECISION

CHN 18 is DSQ in race 8.

Date & Time: 2022-09-30 19:50 EEST

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Finn Mrugalla (GER)

Committee Members: Yoann Peronneau (FRA), Rosemary Collins (AUS), Marios Zisimatos (GRE), Pauline Den Burger (NED)