

DECISION

Request Number: 03

Protest and Request for Redress

Event: 2018 Woodies Invitational

Race Number: 5

Hearing Date: 2018-06-24

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: Knarr - - - USA 47 - Kraken - Risley Sams

Respondent(s): Knarr - - - USA 134 - Alinea - John Buestad

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

FACTS FOUND

Incident occurred approximately 45 seconds prior to the start

47 was on starboard tack approaching the starting line

47 saw 134 was on port tack approaching 47 on collision course

47 hailed Starboard and immediately headed up to avoid contact.

134 also immediately headed up.

47 made contact with 134 on the port bow near the stem and waterline and at the rub rails near the stern as the boats separated. Damage was as follows: Knarr 47 sustained a dented stem fitting, separated planks on the starboard side as a result of the dent on the port side of the bow. 47 also sustained damage to the toe rail amidships.

47 saw 134 take a penalty turn. 47 acknowledged that 134 exonerated herself by taking the turn

47 finished race 5, but upon inspection of damage to the boat, decided to not race the next race.

134 finished both races.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

1. 134 on port failed to keep clear of 47 on starboard, as required by RRS 10
2. 134 exonerated herself by taking a penalty turn.
3. 47 score was made significantly worse through no fault of her own due to physical damage sustained during the incident

DECISION

Date & Time: 2018-06-24 15:54 PDT

1. Redress Granted
2. 47's request for redress is granted. 47 is to be scored in race 6 points equal to the average of her points in all races sailed.

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Betty Sherman (USA)

Committee Members: Justin Oberbauer (USA), Dick Watts (USA)

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