

# DECISION

Request Number: 03

Request for Redress

Event: Pesta Sukan Dinghy Regatta 2019 Race Number: 8

Hearing Date: 2019-08-04

## PARTIES AND WITNESSES

**Initiator:** Opti (Gold) - 3446 - Nicole Ng

**Respondent(s):** Race Committee

## VALIDITY

**Objection to Jury:** No

**Within Time Limit:** Within Time Limit

**Incident Identified:** Yes

**Proper Hail:** Hail not required

**Red Flag Displayed:** Not required

**DECISION:** Request Valid

## PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. SGP 3446 submitted the request for redress at 1645h. Treated as a scoring enquiry first and RC confirmed no changes to the results at 1707h.
2. Parties have had reasonable time to prepare for the hearing.
3. No Conflicts of Interest to declare and no objection to any members of the panel.
4. Written request identifies the incident.

## FACTS FOUND

1. The preparatory signal for this start in Race 8 was under the U flag rule, RRS 30.3.
2. There were 4 boats identified by the Race Committee to be UFD in Race 8, three boats by the starting pin end vessel and one boat by the starting signal vessel.
3. After U flag was removed at 1 min to start, the starting pin end vessel identified SGP 3279 at 35s; SGP 4643 at 25s; and SGP 3446 20s before the starting signal inside the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first mark.
4. SGP 3446 was identified as one boat-length on the course-side approximately in the middle of the starting line.

**Diagram:** Diagram not endorsed

## CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

There was no improper action or omission of the Race Committee. Therefore, SGP 3446 score or place in Race 8 was not made significantly worse through no fault of her own.

According to WS Case 136: A race committee member sighting the starting line is better placed than any competing boat to decide whether a boat was over the line at the starting signal and, if so, whether she returned and started correctly.

## DECISION

Redress is not given.

(Hearing Started: 1735h/Ended: 1745h)

**Date & Time:** 2019-08-04 17:45 +08

## PROTEST COMMITTEE

**Chaired By:** Jerrold Ng (SGP)

**Committee Members:** Tan Tee Suan (IJ) - SGP, Shawal - SGP

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