

DECISION

Request Number: 01

Protest

Event: Zhik 2018 Australian 9er Championships Race Number: 2

Hearing Date: 2017-12-27

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: 29er - 2135 - Ned - Carissa Bridge Natalie Bridge

Respondent(s): 29er - WA 1530 - Bill Currie - Beth Tedstone Lewis Sloane

Witnesses: Natalie Bridge & Lewis Sloane

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Beyond with Good Reason Damage involved.

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: Not required

DECISION: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

FACTS FOUND

1. 2135 was on leg 2 sailing under spinnaker on starboard tack, approaching the starboard hand gate mark on the lay line.
2. About 5 boat lengths from the mark, 1530 also on starboard tack established an overlap from clear astern about 1 boat length to leeward, sailing a course to the mark.
3. 1530 continued her course for approximately 3 seconds and in the wind shadow of 2135, heeled to windward and the mast of 1530 made contact with the top panel of the main sail of 2135, damaging the sail of 2135.
4. 1530 took a penalty turn.
5. 2135 did not take a penalty turn.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

1. 1530 was sailing a proper course to the mark.
2. 2135 a windward boat failed to keep clear of 1530 as required by rule 11.
3. It was not reasonably possible for 1530 to avoid contact. 1530 did not break rule 14.

DECISION

2135 is to be scored DSQ in race 2

Date & Time: 2017-12-27 17:05 AEST

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Glen Stanaway (AUS)

Committee Members: Damien Boldyrew (AUS), Mark Dingley (AUS), Wayne Thompson (AUS)

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