

DECISION

Request No.: 05

Protest and Request for Redress

Event: 2020 Gill Sail Brisbane Regatta Race Number: 5
Hearing Date: 2020-11-29

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 05: 29er - AUS 2464 - Funky - Maxwell Yoshida
Etchells - AUS849 - Chaos Theory - Tony Dibetta

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

FACTS FOUND

1. 16-18kt of breeze with an ebb tide and heavy swell.
2. Etchells EAUS849 rounded Mk.1 and 1a ahead of 29er 2464, and set a symmetrical spinnaker.
3. After setting an asymmetrical spinnaker 2464 changed course to windward, converging with EAUS849.
4. 2464 in changing course sailed into the wind shadow of EAUS849 and there was a collision between the boats.
4. There was serious damage to 2464 and the skipper of 2464 was injured.
5. Both boats retired.

Diagram: Endorsed by Protest Committee

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

1. 2464 did not give EAUS849 room to keep clear, RRS 16.1.
2. It was not reasonably possible for EAUS849 to avoid contact and keep clear of 2464, definition of keep clear and RRS 14, 62.1(b).

DECISION

Date & Time: 2020-11-29 16:56 AEST

1. As both boats retired no further penalty is applied.
2. Redress denied.

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Nev Willis (AUS)
Committee Members: Mark Dingley (AUS), Michael O'Neill (AUS)