

# DECISION

**Request Number: 01**

## Protest

**Event:** Knarr and J/105 Regatta    **Race Number:** 4

**Hearing Date:** 2019-06-02

### PARTIES AND WITNESSES

**Initiator:** J105 - 385 - Maverick - Mays Dicky

**Respondent(s):** J105 - 40 - Blackhawk - Brent Draney

**Witnesses:** Dennis Rowedder, John Oldham, Ryan Simmons

### 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

No conflicts of interest.

Blackhawk is sail number 40 and is the only boat being protested by Maverick. Boat 44 was mentioned in error on the protest form.

### FACTS FOUND

1. First windward rounding wind speed 18 knots. Current providing a slight push from left to right.
2. Blackhawk on port about 1 boatlength from the port layline.
3. Maverick on converging course slightly below close hauled on starboard.
4. Blackhawk luffed to begin tacking
5. Maverick altered course to windward to avoid a collision with Blackhawk.

**Diagram:** Diagram not endorsed

### CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

1. After passing head to wind and before reaching a close-hauled course, Blackhawk failed to keep clear of Maverick, as required by RRS 13.
2. Maverick had a reasonable apprehension of collision and altered course as required by RRS 14 (case 50).

### DECISION

Protest Upheld, Blackhawk to be scored DSQ

**Date & Time:** 2019-06-02 17:18 PDT

### PROTEST COMMITTEE

**Chaired By:** Thomas Allard (USA)

**Committee Members:** Thomas Allard (USA), Danielle Lawson (USA) Steve Taft

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