

DECISION

Protest

Request Number: 01

Heard Jointly With Number(s): 02

Event: Spring One Design **Race Number:** 1
Hearing Date: 2019-03-17

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: J105 - 337 - Arrived - Tom Struttman

Respondent(s): J105 - 40 - Blackhawk - 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

Joerg Esdorn represented 337
Gary Panariello represented 40
Doug Sloan 26

FACTS FOUND

1. There was approximately a 3 knot current adverse to the start. Wind was 12 to 14 knots.
2. 337 close hauled on starboard was approaching the starting line 15 to 20 seconds before the start below the committee boat being pushed somewhat right to left by the current.
3. 26 was on starboard beam reaching on the extension of the starting line crossing behind the committee boat to windward of 337.
4. 40 was on starboard beam reaching on the extension of the starting line crossing behind the committee boat to windward of 337 and behind 26.
5. 26 crossed to windward of 337 by at approximately 10 to 12 feet.
6. 40 altered course to close hauled about 10 feet ahead of 337.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

1. 26 crossed clear ahead of 337 and kept clear as required by RRS 11.
2. 40 sailed clear ahead of 337 and kept clear as required by RRS 11.

DECISION

No rule was broken.
Protest Dismissed.

Date & Time: 2019-03-17 17:34 PDT

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Danielle Lawson (USA)
Committee Members: Greg Meagher (USA), Paul Zupan (USA)

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