

DECISION

Request No.: 06

Protest and Request for Redress

Event: RS Aero World Championship 2019 Race Number: 9

Hearing Date: 2020-01-03

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 06: RS Aero 5 - JPN 3055 - Hayama SC - Kazuyoshi Nakao

RS Aero 5 - GBR 3064 - Island Barn RSC - Maisie Bristow

RS Aero 5 - GBR 3081 - Wells-Next-The-Sea - Ned Stattersfield

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

FACTS FOUND

1. 3081, JPN 3055 and 3064 were overlapped at the zone on port tack approaching mark 2.
2. 3081 was to windward, JPN 3055 was in the middle and 3064 was to leeward.
3. 3064 was to leeward and bow out on JPN 3055.
4. 3064 hailed she was tacking and tacked from port to starboard.
5. Before 3064 completed her tack 3055 started to tack.
6. Contact occurred between JPN 3055 starboard gunwale and 3064's port gunwale.
7. JPN 3055 took a two-turn penalty.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

1. After passing head to wind and before being on a close-hauled course, 3064 failed to keep clear of JPN 3055 on a tack, and broke RRS 13.
2. 3064 did not avoid contact and broke RRS 14.
3. 3064 failed to give JPN 3055 time to respond after she hailed for room to tack and broke RRS 20.2(a).
4. JPN 3055 broke RRS 14 while she was sailing within the room to which she was entitled. Therefore, she is exonerated under RRS 21.

DECISION

JPN 3055 was compelled to break a rule and is exonerated under RRS 21.

3064 is DSQ in race 9.

Redress is not given.

Date & Time: 2020-01-03 20:45 AEDT

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Mark Townsend (USA)

Committee Members: Christian Boillot (AUS), Tracy Heritage (AUS), Bill Bell (AUS), Grant Baldwin (USA)

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