

DECISION

Request No.: 02

Protest

Event: 20th Euromed International Championship **Race Number:** 5

Hearing Date: 2019-12-20

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 02: Optimist Cadet - Cadet - MLT 66 - Emily Fenech
Optimist Cadet - Cadet - SGP 705 - Radue Gregoire

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed The race committee was also informed immediately after MLT 66 had finished.

Red Flag Displayed: Yes

DECISION: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. Pascal Radue acted as an observer during the full hearing.
2. David Dalli acted as an observer when the decision was given.

FACTS FOUND

1. MLT 66 was sailing close-hauled on starboard tack.
2. SGP 705 was sailing close-hauled on port tack.
3. MLT 66 and SGP 705 were on converging courses.
4. MLT 66 was not aware of the presence of SGP 705.
5. There was contact between the left corner of the bow of MLT 66 and the starboard hull of SGP 705.
6. Neither MLT 66 nor SGP 705 changed course before the contact occurred.
7. No boat took a penalty.
8. The gelcoat of MLT 66 was damaged and the fiberglass was visible.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

1. SGP 705 on port failed to keep clear of MLT 66 on starboard, and broke RRS 10.
2. SGP 705 did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14.
3. It was not reasonably possible for MLT 66, the right-of-way boat, to avoid contact with SGP 705 when it was clear that SGP 705 was not keeping clear. MLT 66 did not break RRS 14.

DECISION

SGP 705 is DSQ in race 5.

Date & Time: 2019-12-20 16:42 CET

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Neven Baran (CRO)

Committee Members: Neven Baran (CRO), Line Juhl (DEN), Timo Haß (GER), Giorgio Davanzo (ITA), Oleg Ilin (RUS)

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