

DECISION

Protest and Request for Redress

Request Number: 14

Heard Jointly With Number(s): 18

Event: Laser North American Championship **Race Number:** 8
Hearing Date: 2018-07-14

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: Laser Radial - Men - USA 213884 - Christopher Salas

Respondent(s): Laser Radial - Men - CAN 194474 - Robert Ennenberg

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Hail not required Damage to boat

Red Flag Displayed: No

DECISION: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

FACTS FOUND

1. Wind-14-18.
2. Sea State-3-4' with chop.
3. Boats were on a plane.
4. In Race 8, USA 213884 and CAN 194474 were approaching Mark 5. The boats were overlapped at the zone. The boats were separated by 3 boat lengths.
5. CAN was moving faster. When USA turned up to round the mark the separation was 8'.
6. CAN made contact with USA near the mainsheet block and put a hole in the hull.
7. CAN retired; USA did not finish.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

1. USA had retired and cannot further penalized under 18.2b and 14.
2. CAN could not have avoided the collision and did not break rule 14.

DECISION

Redress not granted.

Date & Time: 2018-07-14 18:10 PDT

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Damien Boldyrew (AUS)

Committee Members: Ron Wood (USA), Ben Fels (AUS), Kirk Brown (USA), David Pelling (CAN)

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