

DECISION

Request Number: 06

Request for Redress

Event: 2018 Nacra 15 and Nacra 17 National Championships Race Number: 5

Hearing Date: 2018-01-08

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: Nacra 15 - AUS016 - 9 Lives - Kai Colman

Respondent(s): Race Committee

Witnesses: Philippe Mazard

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Hail not required

Red Flag Displayed: Not required

DECISION: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

FACTS FOUND

1. AUS016 was identified by the Race Committee as being on course side of the start line at the start of race 5.
2. AUS016 knew she was on course side of the start line.
3. A sound signal was made approximately 2 seconds after the start.
4. Code flag X was displayed 19 seconds after the start signal.
5. AUS016 did not return to the pre-start side of the start line and finished race 5.
6. AUS016 testified that "we knew we were over, didn't want an OCS and would have returned if we had seen the flag promptly".

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

1. The display of code flag X 19 seconds after the start is not prompt as required by rule 29.1 and is an improper action of the Race Committee.
2. By failing to start correctly AUS016 knowingly broke rule 28.1.
3. AUS016 score of OCS is not through no fault of her own.
4. AUS016, a boat that knowingly broke a rule breaches the Basic Principle, Sportsmanship and the Rules and breaks rule 2.

DECISION

Redress is denied.

AUS016 is to be scored DNE for race 5.

Date & Time: 2018-01-08 10:30 AEST

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Philippe Mazard (FRA)

Committee Members: Damien Boldyrew (AUS), Glen Stanaway (AUS), Wayne Thompson (AUS)

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