

DECISION

Request Number: 2

Protest

Event: Long Beach Race Week **Race Number:** 2

Hearing Date: 2016-06-25

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: Farr 40 - #50060 - Foil - Micheal Wilde

Respondent(s): Farr 40 - #37 - Blade - Steve Natvig

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. Wind was about 9 knots, small chop. The boats were traveling about 7 knots.
2. Foil was close hauled on a port tack approaching the first windward mark, to be rounded to port.
3. Blade was close hauled on a port tack, about a boat length to windward and several feet astern of Foil.
4. Foil entered the zone clear ahead of Blade.
5. Blade established an overlap to windward of Foil inside the zone.
6. Foil altered course to near head to wind.
7. Blade altered course head to wind to avoid Foil.
8. Blade rounded the mark inside of Foil clear by 4 feet or more.
9. There was no contact between the boats.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Blade gave mark room to Foil. Foil could not tack without fouling Blade. Blade took room freely given to round inside Foil. Neither boat broke a rule.

DECISION

Protest Dismissed

Date & Time: 2016-06-24 18:30 PDT

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Karen Butler (USA)

Committee Members: Karen Butler (USA), Kim Kymlicka (USA), Paul Zupan (USA), Graham Kelly (USA)

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