

DECISION

Request No.: 06

Protest

Event: 3rd Portugal Grand Prix Race Number: 5
Hearing Date: 2020-12-11

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 06: ILCA 7 - POR 211111 - Santiago Sampaio

ILCA 7 - POL 215951 - Tadeusz Kubiak

Witnesses: IRL 216101

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

IRL 216101 witness was not present at the hearing but a statement signed by him was read out to the Jury.

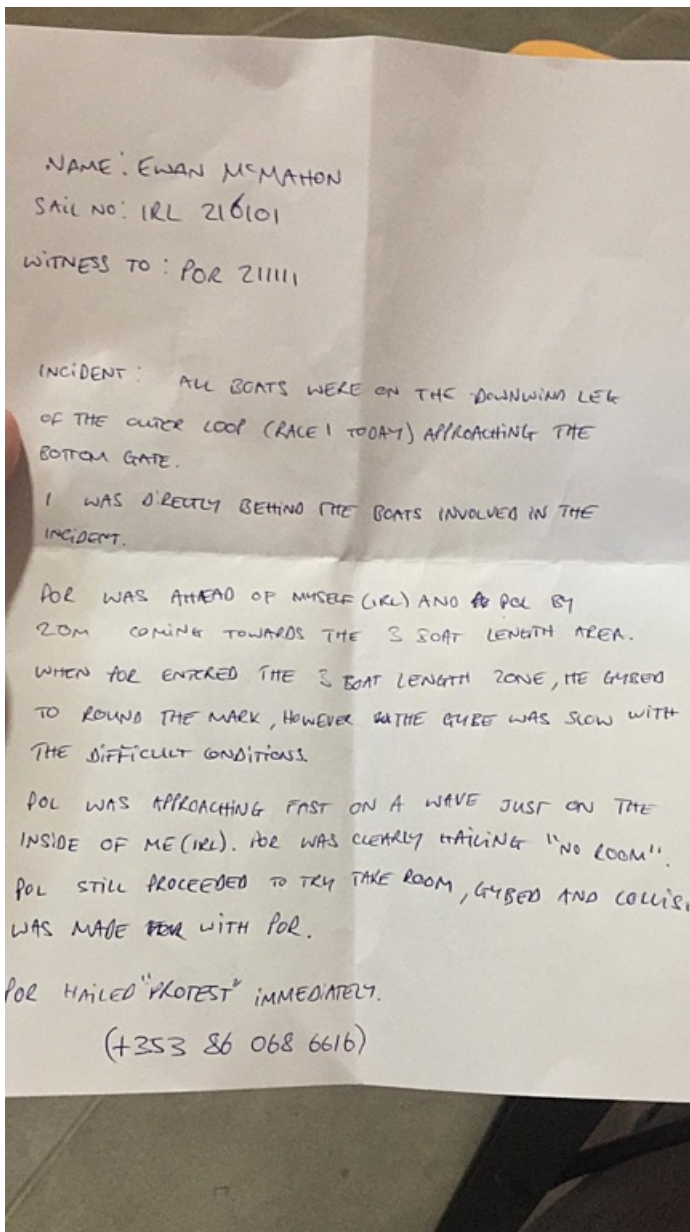


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FACTS FOUND

On the second run POR was about 4 boat lengths clear ahead of POL, IRL and FIN. All boats were on starboard. POR entered the zone of the of the second leeward gate, sailing downwind on starboard ahead of POL, IRL and FIN. POR was sailing slowly as she had missed a series of waves POR gybed as she entered the zone. POL, sailing fast, became overlapped inside POR, inside the zone. POL gybed inside POR.

As POL gybed there was contact between the boom of POL and the deck of POR. The mainsheet of POL caught the compass of POR, which became detached and fell overboard.

Neither boat took a penalty.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

POL, clear astern at the zone did not give mark-room to POR and broke rule 18.2(b).

POL could have reasonably avoided contact and broke rule 14.

POR could not reasonably have avoided contact

DECISION

POL DSQ Race 5

Date & Time: 2020-12-11 16:57 UTC

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Eurico Teodoro (POR)

Committee Members: Antonio Mata (POR), jean-Luc Michon (FRA), Nuno Gomes (ANG), Gordon Davies (IRL)