DECISION Request Number: 02

Protest

Event: J/Fest Race Number: 3 Hearing Date: 2018-04-07

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: J/105 - - - USA 394 - Javelin - Charlie Abraham

Respondent(s): J/105 - - - USA 357 - Yellowfin - Dick Maclay

Witnesses: Soeren Brinkmann

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. Protest timelimit expired at 16:37 and protest was posted on the notice board immediately after receipt at 16:08.
- 2. A crew member from Yellowfin was available but not willing to represent the boat.
- 3. Hearing commenced at 17:18.
- 4. Yellowfin not present.
- 5. 10 knots of breeze.
- 6. Sergei Posdshivalov, tactician on Javelin presented the protest.
- 7. Javelin on starboard jibe in middle of first downwind leg on converging course with Yellowfin on port jibe.
- 8. When it became clear that Yellowfin was not keeping clear, Javelin altered course to windward to avoid collision thus passing astern of Yellowfin.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

1. Yellowfin on port failed to keep clear of Javelin on starboard, as required by RRS 10

DECISION

Protest Upheld, Yellowfin DSQ

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Thomas Allard (USA)

Committee Members: Thomas Allard (USA), Dick Watts (USA), Danielle Lawson (USA)

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