

DECISION

Request Number: 02

Protest

Event: Spring One Design Race Number: 4

Hearing Date: 2018-03-18

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: J/105 - USA 46 - Box of Rain - Charles Pick

Respondent(s): J/105 - USA 85 - Russian Roulette - Sergey Lubarsky

Witnesses: Gary Fung for 46;

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 less than 6 knots. Current was small adverse to the direction of the boats.
2. 46 was on a starboard tack approaching the start line at about mid-line 20 seconds prior to the start.
3. 85 was to windward and overlapped close to bow to bow with a gap of about 2 meters.
4. 85 altered course to leeward on a collision course with 46 closing the gap between the boats.
5. 46 altered down to avoid a collision with 85
6. 85 altered to windward again and 46 followed.
7. 85 then came back down again and 46 had to alter course again to avoid a collision.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

1. 85 to windward failed to keep clear of 46 to leeward, as required by RRS 11.

DECISION

Date & Time: 2018-03-18 16:15 PDT

1. Protest Upheld;
2. 85 to be scored DSQ for race 4.

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Danielle Lawson (USA)

Committee Members: Danielle Lawson (USA), Greg Meagher (USA), Paul Zupan (USA)

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