

DECISION

Request No.: 09

Protest

Event: Athens International Sailing Week Non - Olympic Classes Race Number: 3

Hearing Date: 2019-11-09

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 09: Optimist - Yellow - 1166

Optimist - Yellow - 2993

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

2992 not present at the hearing

Hearing proceed under RRS 63.3(b)

FACTS FOUND

Wind was 8 knots with flat waters

1166 and 2992 were sailing upwind to the finish. 1166 on starboard tack and on collision course with 2992 who was on port

At a distance of 1/2 boat length the bow of 1166 was pointing the middle of 2992 hull

2992 was holding her course

1166 bore away

There was contact between the bow of 1166 and aft starboard part of 2992

There was no damage

Both boats finished the race and no boat took any penalty

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

1. 2992 on port failed to keep clear of 1166 on starboard, as required by RRS 10
2. Although it was reasonably possible 2992 did not avoid contact with 1166 as required by RRS 14.
3. Although it was reasonably possible, 1166, the right-of-way boat did not avoid contact with 2992 when it was clear that 2992 was not keeping clear, as required by RRS 14.
4. 1166 is exonerated under RRS 14(b) since the contact did not cause damage or injury

DECISION

Protest Upheld

2992 is DSQ in Race No. 3

Date & Time: 2019-11-10 08:21 EET

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: MICHAEL MITAKIS (GRE)

Committee Members: Konstantinos Giamalidis (GRE), Costas Tsantilis (GRE), Filaretos Efstratios Christou (GRE), Anastasios Fotis (GRE)

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