DECISION

Request for Redress

Event: 3rd Portugal Grand Prix - Round 2 Race Number: 1 Hearing Date: 2021-03-02

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 02: RSX man - ISR-24 - Yoav Omer

Race Committee

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

Following ISR 24's request to withdraw Request Case 1 the race score was changed by the Race Committee from 2 to DNF. ISR 24 delivered a second request redress for redress.

FACTS FOUND

SI 15 states that 'The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a 'Finish' flag on the finish boat at the starboard end and the finish pin mark.

SI 12.4 states that on Bravo race area the 'The finish pin mark will be a yellow mark buoy. The diagram for Course L in SI Attachment A shows the start and finish line as being identical.

At the finish of Race 1 the finish line was laid with the finish boat at the port end and a yellow mark buoy at the starboard end ISR 24 did not pass between the finish boat and the finish pin mark.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

The port and starboard end of a finish line are as seen by a boat approaching the line to finish from the course side. For the boat approaching the finish the port end will be to the left and the the starboard end to the right.

The finish line was not laid according to SI 15.

However, ISR 24 did not cross the finish line as it was laid.

ISR 24 was correctly scored DNF.

Although there was an improper action of the Race Committee, ISR 24's place in race 1 was not made significantly worse through no fault of her own. Therefore, the requirements for redress according to RRS 62.1 are not met.

DECISION

Redress is not given.

Date & Time: 2021-03-02 18:13 UTC

PROTEST COMMITTEE

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

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