

DECISION

Request for Redress

Request No.: 02

Event: SFYC Resin Regatta Race Number: 4
Hearing Date: 2021-04-21

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 02: J/105 - USA 385 - Maverick - Mays Dickey

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

1. The hearing was conducted via Zoom.
2. Ian Charles, the skipper of USA 385, attended the hearing as an observer. It was explained to him in advance that he would not be able to serve as a witness or provide testimony or input.
3. SI 14.5 RRS 62.2(a), 66.2(a), and the US prescription to RRS 63.2 do not apply.
4. Notification of the filed request for redress was immediately posted on the online notice board for hearings and the zoom link for the hearing was added Tuesday 4/20.
5. Don Wieneke disclosed that he competes in the J105 class regularly and is on the Executive Committee for the J105 fleet.
6. All parties acknowledged and accepted the Code of Conduct at the onset of the hearing.

FACTS FOUND

1. 15 knots of breeze and a dying ebb on the Berkeley Circle
2. The PRO sighted the line at the start, sounded the horn and deployed the X flag for recalls.
3. At the starting signal, J105, Mojo USA 119 was on starboard to windward and about 3-6 feet advanced on USA 385 near the boat end of the line.
4. USA 119 was half a boatlength over the line at the start.
5. The bow of USA 385 was over the line at the start by more than 10 feet.
6. The X flag was hoisted 7-8 seconds following the starting signal for the J105s.
7. A horn was sounded 9 seconds following the starting signal for the J105s.
8. USA 119 and USA 385 were called over the VHF 22 seconds after the starting signal.
9. Both OCS boats returned to the pre-start side of the line with USA 385 clearing the line 1 minute and 9 seconds after the starting signal, at which point the X flag was removed.
10. USA 385 finished 9th in Race 4.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: 29.1

1. Following the starting signal for Race #4, the Race Committee promptly displayed the X flag with one sound in accordance with RRS 29.1
2. The X flag was displayed until both of the OCS J105s returned to the pre-start side of the line as required by RRS 29.1
3. The score of USA 385 was not made significantly worse by an error of the race committee.

DECISION**Date & Time:** 2021-04-21 20:10 PDT

Redress is not given.

PROTEST COMMITTEE**Chaired By:** John Siegel (USA)**Committee Members:** Donald Wieneke (USA), Danielle Lawson (USA) Tom Roberts**Printed:** 21 Apr 20:12