

# DECISION

Request No.: 09

## Protest

Event: Singapore National Sailing Championships 2022 Race Number: 7  
Hearing Schedule: 2022-06-20 18:50

### PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 09: optimast - sliver - 4652 - tiffany - tiffany teo teo

### VALIDITY

**Objection to Jury:** No

**Within Time Limit:** Beyond with Good Reason

**Incident Identified:** Yes

**Proper Hail:** Protest hailed

**Red Flag Displayed:** Not required

**Decision:** Request Valid

### PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. Initiator attempted to lodge her protest at 1645 by using her own mobile phone. She was not successful as the system was not loading. She borrowed a phone from her friend and tried again. Again, the system failed to load. She then walked into the general office and lodged her protest from the PC in the office.
2. Protest time limit is 1703 and the protest was lodge at 1723.
3. The protest time limit is extended.
4. Huang Zhirong (parent of Sun Wei Chen) attended the hearing as an observer.

### FACTS FOUND

1. SGP 4661 and SGP 4652 were sailing downwind on starboard tack. SGP 4661 was clear ahead of SGP 4652.
2. SGP 4652, sailing faster. established an overlap to leeward of SGP 4661.
3. Twenty seconds after the overlap was established and whilst SGP 4652 was holding her course, there was contact between the hulls.
4. There was no damage or injury.
5. None of the boats took a penalty.

**Diagram:** No Diagram Needed

### CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

**Rules:** RRS 11 and 14.

1. SGP 4661 to windward failed to keep clear of SGP 4652 to leeward, and broke RRS 11.
2. SGP 4661 did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14.
3. SGP 4652, the right-of-way boat, did not act to avoid contact with SGP 4661 when it was reasonably possible. SGP 4652 broke RRS 14. Since SGP 4652 was the right-of way boat and the contact did not cause damage or injury, she is exonerated under RRS 43.1(c) for breaking RRS 14.

### DECISION

SGP 4661 is DSQ in race 7.

Date & Time:

### PROTEST COMMITTEE

**Chaired By:** Selvam Mookken (SGP)  
**Committee Members:** Joe Chan (SGP)