

DECISION

Request No.: 01

Request for Redress

Event: Irish RS Fest Race Number: 3
Hearing Schedule: 2023-06-25 17:20

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 01: Feva - 5838 - Grace Keating

Race Committee

Witnesses: Sophie Gorman (Coach 5838). Mike Tyrrell
(PRO)

Interpreters: None

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Beyond Time Limit The incident happened at approx 17:20. The protest was lodged at 16:50. Per RRS 62.2, the RfR was submitted with the time limit.

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Hail not required

Red Flag Displayed: Not required

Decision: Request Invalid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. Arbitration Inappropriate - The incident includes a request for redress.
2. A representative of 5838 did not attend the online hearing, per the hearing schedule.
3. The PC Chair called the mobile number on the Hearing Request form. This was the number of a parent of a crew member of 5838. The parent passed the PC Chair to the Coach of 5838 and listened to her witness evidence. The PC Chair then called the PRO and listened to his evidence. The PC Chair called the Coach of 5838 back to relay the information found but was told by the parent that the Coach had left the venue. The PC Chair explained the facts found to the parent.

FACTS FOUND

1. Windspeed: Approximately 12 - 15 kts. Sea state: Flat.
2. A RC vessel was adjacent to the gate (Marks 3a and 3b) to signal a shortened course per SI 15.2.
3. The RC vessel displayed Flag F with the Feva class flag (R) and made repeated sound signals which was visible to and were audible to boats.
4. 5838, in 1st place and 2358 in 2nd place were sailing downwind towards Mark 3a and close to the gate, the boats were approximately 1BL apart.
5. At the gate, 2358 sailed towards the finish. 5838 then changed course and sailed towards the finish. 2358 finished in 1st place and 5838 finished in second place, approximately 3 seconds behind 2358.

Diagram: No Diagram Needed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: 63.5, SI 15.2

1. By having RC vessel displaying Flag F and class flag and making repeated sound signals positioned adjacent to the gate of the course, the RC complied with SI 15.2. and there was neither an improper action nor omission of RC. Therefore, the requirements for redress in RRS 62.1(a) are not met.

DECISION**Date & Time:** 2023-06-25 18:54 IST

Redress is not given.

PROTEST COMMITTEE**Committee Type** Protest Committee**Chaired By:** Emmet Dalton (IRL)**Committee Members:** Gordon Davies (IRL)**Printed:** 25 Jun 19:34