

DECISION

Request for Redress

Request Number: 01

Heard Jointly With Number(s): 02, 03

Event: Resin Regatta Race Number: 1
Hearing Date: 2018-04-15

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: Knarr - 102 - Benino - Mark Dahm

Respondent(s): Race Committee

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Rob Overton declared that his wife was on the race committee and he crews for the PRO on a J/105. All members declared they are members of the host club, SFYC.

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Hail not required

Red Flag Displayed: Yes

DECISION: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

FACTS FOUND

1. The RC originally set a course with a red and yellow mark 1/4 mile to windward of two red marks.
2. The SIs show the opposite configuration, with two red marks to windward of the red and yellow marks.
3. The course specified for the Knarr class was Course 2, taking them to the farthest set of windward marks, which are both shown on the diagram as being red.
4. The RC removed the yellow mark at some point when the Knarrs were on that leg, before they reached the marks.
5. 102 and 140 sailed past the two red marks and partway to the red and yellow marks.
6. 140 bore off and went around the two red marks, while 102 went up to the further remaining red mark of the original red/yellow pair.
7. The rest of the Knarr fleet went around the leeward pair of red marks.
8. Both 140 and 102 sailed substantially farther than the rest of the fleet as a result of the confusion.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

1. The positioning of the windward marks being different from as described in the sailing instructions caused confusion.
2. Because of an improper action or omission of the race committee, the scores of Knarr 102 and Knarr 140 were made significantly worse through no fault of their own.

DECISION

Date & Time: 2018-04-14 19:31 UTC

1. Redress Granted
2. Knarr 102 and Knarr 140 are to be scored in race 1 points equal to the average, rounded to the nearest tenth of a point (0.05 to be rounded upward), of her points in all races in the series, except race 1. This shall not change the score of the other boats.

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Danielle Lawson (USA)

Committee Members: Tom Roberts (USA), Danielle Lawson (USA), Rob Overton (USA)

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