DECISION Request Number: 09

Protest

Event: PA Consulting RS Feva European Championships Race Number: F9

Hearing Date: 2018-08-14

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: RS Feva - GBR 5174 - Blake Tudor

Respondent(s): RS Feva - GBR 4079 - Annie hammett

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed **Red Flag Displayed:** Not required

DECISION: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

FACTS FOUND

GBR 2422, GBR 5174 and GBR 4079 were sailing downwind approaching the mark 5 which should be left on port.

All boats were on starboard tack.

When GBR 5174 entered the zone, GBR 4079 was clear astern of GBR 2422 and GBR 5174 overlapped outside with GBR 2422 inside.

GBR 2422 gybed on to port and rounded the mark.

GBR 5174 gybed on to port and GBR 4079 became overlapped inside of GBR 5174.

Contact occurred between GBR 4079 bow sprit and GBR 5174 hull.

There was no damage, no boat took a penalty.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

GBR 4079 as clear astern when GBR 5174 entered the zone did not give a mark room breaking rule 18.2.b and 14.

It was not reasonably possible for GBR 5174 to avoid the contact and therefore did not break rule 14.

Date & Time: 2018-08-14 18:42 BST

GBR 4079 is disqualified from race F6.

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Luis Faria (POR)

Committee Members: Václav Brabec (CZE), Charlie Watson (GBR), Marina Psychogyiou (GRE)

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