**DECISION** Request No.: 01

**Protest** 

Event: YAI Multi Class Sailing Event 2021 Race Number: 2

Hearing Schedule: 2021-08-28 13:30

**PARTIES AND WITNESSES** 

Request No.: 01: Laser 4.7 - Boys - 210438 - Laser - Anshraj Bundela

Laser 4.7 - Boys - 506 - Laser 4.7

**VALIDITY** 

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: N/A

**Decision:** Request Valid

## **PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

210438 was represented by Anshraj Bundela and 506 was represented by Sanjay Reddy.

## **FACTS FOUND**

- The wind was 12 to 15 knots and the water was choppy.
- 201438 was on starboard tack and 506 was on port tack while sailing close hauled to the windward mark on the fourth leg.
- 210438 remained on starboard tack when entering the mark.
- 506 tacked to starboard in front of 210438 when 506 was one boat length from the mark.
- 506 was fetching the mark after the tack.
- 210438 luffed immediately to avoid 506, but contact took place between the bow of 210348 and the starboard guarter of 506.
- There was no damage or injury.
- Neither boat took a penalty.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

## **CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY**

Rules: RRS 18.3, 15 and RRS 14

After 506 passed head to wind from port to starboard tack inside the zone and was then fetching the mark, she caused 210438 on starboard tack since entering the zone, to sail above close-hauled to avoid contact. 506 broke RRS 18.3.

When acquiring right of way through her own actions, 506 failed to initially give 210438 room to keep clear, and broke RRS 15.

506 did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible and broke RRS 14.

It was not reasonably possible for 210438, the boat sailing within the room to which she was entitled, to avoid contact with 506 when it was clear that 506 was not giving room. 210438 did not break rule 14.

## **DECISION**

506 is DSQ in Race No 2.

**PROTEST COMMITTEE** 

Chaired By: Gurvinderpal Julka (IND)

Committee Members: Ananya Siwatch (IND), Satyavir Siwatch (IND), Abhirav Oak (IND), Soma Pillai (IND)

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