

DECISION

Request No.: 15

Protest and Request for Redress

Event: Sun Hung Kai & Co. Hong Kong Race Week 2024 Race Number: 9
Hearing Schedule: 2024-02-03 18:10

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 15: ILCA 4 - 221400 - Zixi Huang

ILCA 4 - 205264 - Kenju Matteo Kim Muraishi

Witnesses: 213350

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: Yes

Decision: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

205264 did not come to the hearing, the hearing proceeded in accordance with RRS 63.3(b).

Observers: Chan Wai Kei, Cynthia Law (Spectator), Luke Van Der Kamp (Coach), Chao Wang (Jury)

FACTS FOUND

1. Sea state was slight. Wind was approximately 7 to 10 kts.
2. 10 Seconds before the start of race 9, 221400 was on starboard tack. 205264 was on port tack
3. Both boats were positioned just below the start line.
4. When 205264 tried to pass leeward of 221400, the bow of 205264 made contact with the aft quarter of 221400 and entangled with the mainsheet of 221400 for 20-30 seconds.
5. The boats separated without damage.
6. Both boat continued and completed the race.
7. Neither boat took a penalty turn.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: RRS10, RRS14

1. 205064 on port failed to keep clear of 221400 on starboard, and broke RRS 10
2. 205064 did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14.
3. It was not reasonably possible for 221400, the right-of-way boat, to avoid contact with 205064 when it was clear that 205064 was not keeping clear. 221400 did not break RRS 14.
4. Because there was no damage or injury on 221400, the requirement for redress in RRS 62.1(b) is not met and redress is not given.

DECISION

Date & Time: 2024-02-03 19:33 HKT

205264 is DSQ in race 9.

Redress is not given to 221400.

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Committee Type International Jury

Chaired By: Alain Choi (HKG)

Committee Members: Benjamin Harding (HKG), Rut Subniran (THA), Masaaki Tanaka (JPN), Cathy Delany-Hobbs (NZL)

