

# DECISION

Request No.: 01

## Protest

Event: Royal Malta Yacht Club Dinghy Regatta 2023 Race Number: 2  
Hearing Schedule: 2023-11-18

### PARTIES AND WITNESSES

**Request No.: 01:** Optimist Beginner (8-14 years) - MLT219 - Isaac El Khazmi

Optimist Beginner (8-14 years) - MLT221 - Timothy Vella

**Witnesses:** ZARA Rae Jeremy Decelis

### 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

### FACTS FOUND

MLT 219 on Starboard met MLT 221 coming on Port

MLT 219 hailed starboard and MLT 221 tacked in response to the hail

MLT 219 tried and failed to avoid contact

Contact occurred between the MLT219's port bow and 221's starboard quarter.

No damage or injury resulted

No penalty turns were taken

Conclusion

MLT 221 failed to keep clear whilst tacking and infringed rule 13 and 14

MLT 219 broke 14 but is exonerated under rule 43.1c

**Diagram:** Diagram not endorsed

### CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

**Rules:** 13 14

MLT 221 failed to keep clear while tacking and broke rule 13 and 14.

### DECISION

MLT221 is disqualified from race 2

**Date & Time:** 2023-11-19 16:56 CET

### PROTEST COMMITTEE

**Committee Type:** Protest Committee

**Chaired By:** Godwin Zammit (MLT)

**Committee Members:** David Dalli (MLT) Nadia Maniscalco Barry Hurley

