

DECISION

Request No.: 03

Protest and Request for Redress

Event: 2023 Formula Kite Youth Europeans and KiteFoil Masters Worlds Race Number: 1-3
Hearing Schedule: 2023-05-24 18:50

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 03: YOUTH - Female - FRA 17 - Lysa Caval

YOUTH - Female - FRA 27 - Héloïse Pégourié

Witnesses: My camera

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

1. Wind 10 knots, flat sea.
2. FRA 17 and FRA 27 were sailing downwind on port tack, approaching mark 3 to be left to starboard.
3. FRA 17 entered the zone of the mark 10m clear ahead of FRA 27.
4. When the kiteboards were about 20 meters from the mark, they both raised their kites to gybe.
5. There was immediate contact between the tip of the kites and then their lines.
6. Both kiteboards capsized and the bridle of FRA 17 broke.
7. There was a tangle. There was no injury.
8. At the time of the incident, FRA 17 and FRA 27 were sailing in 1st and 2nd position.
9. FRA 17 retired from the race because of the damage. She returned ashore and made a temporary repair to her kite.
10. FRA 27 recovered and finished the race in 14th place.
11. FRA 17 sailed in race 2 and she finished the race in 2nd place.
12. In race 3, FRA 17's bridle broke again and she finished the race in 7th place.
13. No kiteboards took a penalty.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: 12, 14, F2.18.2(a)(2), 62.1(b)

1. FRA 27 clear astern did not keep clear of FRA 17 clear ahead, breaking rules 12 and 14.
2. FRA 27 clear astern and not in the zone at the time FRA 17 reached the zone failed to give FRA 17 mark-room, and broke RRS F2.18.2(a)(2).
3. It was not reasonably possible for FRA 17 to avoid the contact, therefore she did not break rule 14.
4. FRA 17's score in race 1 was made significantly worse through no fault of her own by physical damage because of the action of FRA 27 that was breaking RRS 12, 14 and F2.18.2(a)(2) and was penalized.
5. FRA 17's place in race 3 was made significantly worse through her own fault. Therefore, the requirements for redress in RRS 62.1 are not met.

DECISION

Date & Time: 2023-05-24 19:53 CEST

FRA 27 is DCT in race 1. The incident is counted to determine the number of tangles the kiteboard has caused during the event.

FRA 17 is given redress in race 1 and will be scored points equal to the average of her scores in the other races of the day

rounded to the nearest tenth of a point (0.05 to be rounded upward). This shall not change the score of the other kiteboards.

Redress is not given to FRA 17 for race 3.

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Committee Type International Jury

Chaired By: Jan Stage (DEN)

Committee Members: Marios Zisimatos (GRE), Anastazja Lewandowska (POL), Ilca Heinrich (GER), Nikolaos Papageorgiou (GRE)