

DECISION

Request for Redress by PC

Request No.: 26

Heard Jointly With Number(s): 01, 04, 05, 09, 17, 18

Event: KiteFoil World Series Traunsee Race Number: 1
Hearing Schedule: 2022-06-18

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 26: Protest Committee

Women fleet

Request No.: 18: KiteFoil - Female - ITA 22 - Sofia Tomasoni

Race Committee

Request No.: 17: KiteFoil - Female - GER 18 - Leonie Meyer

Race Committee

Request No.: 09: Lily Young

Race Committee

Request No.: 05: KiteFoil - Female - FRA 31 - Lauriane Nolot

Race Committee

Request No.: 04: KiteFoil - Female - FRA 78 - Alexia Fancelli

Race Committee

Request No.: 01: KiteFoil - Female - FRA 31 - Lauriane Nolot

Race Committee

Witnesses: Race Committee Michal JODLOWSKI, Jury Arnaud MANTE, Matt Thomas NZL coach, Marcin Urbanowicz POL coach

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Hail not required

Red Flag Displayed: Not required

Decision: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. The whole fleet was made a party to the hearing.
2. The list of parties present at the hearing was recorded.
3. The hearing proceeded in accordance with RRS 63.3(b).

FACTS FOUND

1. Women race 1.
2. Wind average 6-7 knots at race committee boat, 5-6 knots at top of the course, flat water.
3. The wind between the beach and the starting area had dropped with less than 6 knots and the race officer was not aware of this.
4. During the morning briefing, all fleets were instructed to let the previous fleet clear before they launch.
5. Immediately after the launching sequence of the Yellow fleet (the previous fleet), women sailors started to launch.
6. There were still sailors from the Yellow fleet swimming in the water in front of the beach.
7. There was no interruption during the launching sequence for the women fleet.

8. 12 women were able to cross the starting line, in a fleet of 21.
9. The race committee was not aware that some sailors didn't have enough time to launch, to reach the starting line and to prepare for the race.
10. Only 6 sailors finished.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: RRS 62.1(a), 64.3

1. The score of several sailors was made significantly worse through no fault of their own by an omission of the race committee not realizing the difficulties in launching and reaching the starting line. Therefore, the requirements for redress in RRS 62.1(a) are met.

DECISION

Date & Time: 2022-06-18 22:05 CEST

To make as fair an arrangement as possible, redress is given as follows:

- the first 6 sailors keep their score in race 1
- all other sailors will be scored 7 points in race 1

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Yoann Peronneau (FRA)

Committee Members: Bill OHara (IRL), Arnaud Mante (FRA)

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