

DECISION

Request No.: 07

Protest

Event: 39 Copa del Rey MAPFRE Race Number: 6
Hearing Schedule: 2021-08-03 20:10

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 07: WOMEN'S CUP - ESP 980 - DORSIA COVIRAN - ANA PUJOL
WOMEN'S CUP - GBR 694 - NOW 4 - ANDREW CHEETHAM

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No
Within Time Limit: Beyond with Good Reason
Incident Identified: Yes
Proper Hail: Hail not required
Red Flag Displayed: Not required
Decision: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

ESP 980: Susana ROMERO STEENSMA
GBR 694: Aina Bauza
Observer: Anna Weinzieher (GBR 694)
Under appendix UF

FACTS FOUND

10-12knts waves less than 1 meter.
At the finish line of race # 6 on downwind leg, ESP 980 on starboard in collision course with GBR on port on the middle of the line.
GBR begins to luff and the bowsprit enters inside the starboard pushpit and the boats begin tangled.
ESP broke the mast with serious damage on the hull and sails
GBR have a damage on the bowsprit.
GBR retired the race

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: 10, 14, 44.1b, 62, UF appendix
GBR on port failed to keep clear of ESP on starboard, and broke RRS 10
GBR did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14.
It was not reasonably possible for ESP the right-of-way boat to avoid contact with GBR when it was clear that GBR was not keeping clear ESP did not break RRS 14.
GBR took the appropriate penalty by retiring according RRS 44.1b

ESP's place in race 6 was not made significantly worse. Therefore, the requirements for redress in RRS 62.1 are not met for race #6.

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Date & Time: 2021-08-03 20:55 CEST

The Protest is Upheld
No further penalty
Redress not given for race #6

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Diego Forcada (ESP)
Committee Members: Romain Gautier (FRA) Marco Mercuriali (ITA)

