

Protest

Protest No: 01

Received At: 2023-09-26 17:14 PDT

1. Event Name: Folkboat Internationals

Protest On: 2023-09-25

Race No: Practice Race

2. Hearing Type

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Protest | <input type="checkbox"/> Request to Reopen |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Protest by RC | <input type="checkbox"/> Reopening by PC |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Protest by PC | <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Redress |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Protest by TC | <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Redress by RC |

3. Protestor

Folkboat - USA 108 - Chris Herrmann

4. Protestees

1. Folkboat - GBR 707 - ed.donald7@gmail.com - Ed Donald

5. Incident

Time Place: 9/25/3023 2nd practice race start

Rules: RRS 11

Witnesses:

6. Informing Protestee

- Hail:
Hail When: Immediately after contact
Hail Comment: Protest
- Red Flag:
Red Flag Comment Immediately
- Other:
Other Comment:

7. Description Of Incident

Wind 8 knots, seas calm. USA 108 was close hauled on starboard tack, approaching the starting line with more than 1 minute to the starting signal. GBR 707 was reaching down the line on starboard tack, to windward of USA 108. GBR 707 initially tried to duck behind USA 108, but discovered she was unable to do so. She luffed up; to go to windward of USA 108 but was unable to turn sharply enough to avoid contact. She rammed USA 108 on the starboard side, just aft of the jibsheet winch and forward of the traveler. When USA 108 was aware that GBR 707 would not keep clear, there was nothing she could do to avoid contact. Neither heading up or bearing off would have helped.

8. Damage Or Injury

USA 108 suffered damage on her starboard side. The wooden rub-rail was broken through and the wooden seat was split. GBR 707 suffered no damage.

Attachments