

DECISION

Request No.: 19

Protest and Request for Redress

Event: 2021 Formula Kite World Championships Race Number: 12
Hearing Schedule: 2021-10-15

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 19: Formula Kite - Female - POL 116 - Julia Damasiewicz

Formula Kite - Female - ITA 151 - Maggie Pescetto - Maggie Eileen Pescetto

Witnesses: Video

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. First downwind leg, wind up to 20 knots.
2. POL 116 and ITA 151 were sailing downwind, both on starboard tack.
3. POL 116 was to windward and ahead of ITA 151 with a distance of 60 meters between them.
4. ITA 151 gybed to port and lost control of her kite.
5. POL 116 bore away.
6. There was contact with damage and injury between ITA 151's kite and lines and POL 116's body.
7. The injury to POL 116 is cut leg and bruised ribs.
8. POL 116 and ITA 151 did not finish race 12.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: RRS 14, F2.22.2, 62.1(b)

1. While recovering, ITA 151 failed to keep clear of POL 116 who was not recovering, and broke RRS F2.22.2.
2. It was not reasonably possible for POL 116 to avoid the contact, therefore she did not break rule 14.
3. The score of POL 116 was made significantly worse in race 12 through no fault of her own by injury caused by the action of a kiteboard that was breaking a rule of part 2 and took an appropriate penalty.
4. By retiring, ITA 151 took the appropriate penalty for her breach.

DECISION

Date & Time: 2021-10-15 20:17 CEST

ITA 151 retired. No further penalty imposed.

POL 116 is given redress in race 12 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.

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Arnaud Mante (FRA)

Committee Members: Marina Psychogyiou (GRE), Anastazja Lewandowska (POL), Alan Baser (GBR), Marco Giampà (ITA)