

DECISION

Request No.: 01

Protest

Event: Puppeteer 22 Irish Championships Race Number: 2
Hearing Schedule: 2022-09-10 18:30

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 01: Puppeteer - 254 - Gold Dust - Rob Stanley

6413 - Yellow Peril - Neil Murphy

Witnesses: Windard mark boat

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: Yes

Decision: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

FACTS FOUND

1. See state sloppy and wind 4 kn.
2. 254 and 6413 on a beat to mark 1 with 254 sailing on starboard tack and 6413 on port tack.
3. When 254 entered the zone she was fetching the mark.
4. 6413 passed head to wind ahead and half a boat width to windward of 254
5. When 6413 was on a clause hauled course she was clear ahead of 254.
6. 254 bore away and established a leeward overlap at a minimum distance of 60cm.
7. Contact occurred beam to beam at a distance of less than new boat length to the mark.
8. 254 rounded the mark at a distance of 60cm and 60cm distance to 6413
9. No damage.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: 18.3, 43.1(b), 14

1. After 6413 passed head to wind from port to starboard tack inside the zone and was then fetching the mark, she failed to give mark-room to 254 who was overlapped inside her. 6413 broke RRS 18.3.
2. 6413 to windward failed to keep clear of 254 to leeward, and broke RRS 11.
3. 6413 did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14.
4. 254 the right-of-way boat, did not act to avoid contact with 6413 when it was reasonably possible. 254 broke RRS 14.
5. Since 254 was right-of way boat and the contact did not cause damage or injury, she is exonerated under RRS 43.1(c) for breaking RRS 14.

DECISION

6413 is scored DSQ in Race 2

Date & Time: 2022-09-10 19:15 IST

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Emmet Dalton (IRL)

Committee Members: Heiko Thoelmann (GER)