

DECISION

Request No.: 01

Protest

Event: SFYC Knarr and J/105 Regatta Race Number: 1
Hearing Date: 2021-06-17

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 01: J/105 - 385 - Maverick - Mays Dickey

J/105 - 003 - NeNe - Tim Russell

Witnesses: Jabberwocky, Blackhawk

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: No flag on the backstay, flag may have been taken down before the finish

Decision: Request Invalid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

The protest hearing was conducted on Zoom.

The parties and witnesses as well as the observer were provided agreed to abide by the Code of Conduct for Remote hearings

Ian Charles, the skipper on Maverick joined the hearing as an observer.

FACTS FOUND

1. Dennis Rowedder from Jabberwocky witness on validity -- did not see Maverick display a flag
2. Brent Draney from Blackhawk did not see a protest flag flying on Maverick
3. The protest flag on Maverick did not attract notice or attention and did stand out so as to be clearly visible.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules:

Maverick did not satisfy the requirement of RRS 61.1 to conspicuously display a protest flag at the first reasonable opportunity.

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Date & Time: 2021-06-17 19:58 PDT

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Paul Zupan (USA)

Committee Members: Danielle Lawson (USA), Tom Roberts (USA)