

DECISION

Request No.: 22

Protest

Event: Waszp Games 2022 Race Number: 9
Hearing Schedule: 2022-07-15 18:30

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 22: Waszp - Large Sail 8.2 - Youth - IRL 2987 - Charles Cullen

Waszp - Large Sail 8.2 - Junior - SUI 2876 - Leeuwin III - Antonin Radu

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. PTL for Gold Fleet was 1702
2. The request was submitted at 1742
3. IRL submitted the request at 1652 originally, however, due to poor internet, the request did not get submitted.
4. Conditions were 12-15 knots, with slight sea-state
5. IRL was sailing downwind on starboard, and SUI was sailing downwind on port.
6. When 8 BL from the mark, which should be left to starboard, SUI crossed the bow of IRL by 2 BL.
7. SUI gybed on to starboard, her speed decreased during the gybe, and IRL became overlapped to windward of SUI.
8. When entering the zone IRL was inside, overlapped to windward of SUI.
9. Whilst rounding the mark there was contact between the SUI starboard wing frame and IRL port wing frame and contact between IRL and the mark.
10. IRL took One-Turn penalty.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: RRS 18.2(b), 11, 14, 31, 43.1(b)

1. IRL failed to deliver the protest within the protest time limit, as required by RRS 61.3. However, there was good reason for the PC to extend the time limit under RRS 61.3.
2. IRL to windward failed to keep clear of SUI to leeward and broke RRS 11.
3. IRL touched mark 2s and broke RRS 31.
4. It was not reasonably possible for IRL, the boat sailing within the mark-room to which she was entitled to avoid contact with SUI when it was clear that SUI was not giving mark-room. IRL did not break RRS 14.
5. SUI, outside overlapped at the zone, failed to give IRL mark-room and broke RRS 18.2(b).
6. Since IRL broke RRS 11 and 31 while she was sailing within the mark-room to which she was entitled, she is exonerated under RRS 43.1(b) for this breach.

DECISION

Date & Time: 2022-07-15 19:03 CEST

1. The Protest is Upheld. SUI 2876 is DSQ in race F9.

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Will Davies (GBR)

Committee Members: Nick Devereux (GBR), Václav Brabec (CZE)

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