DECISION Request No.: 06

# **Protest**

Event: Waszp Games 2022 Race Number: 2 Hearing Schedule: 2022-07-13 18:30

### **PARTIES AND WITNESSES**

Request No.: 06: Waszp - Large Sail 8.2 - Apprentice - ITA 3203 - F22e - Enzio Savoini

Waszp - Large Sail 8.2 - Junior - IRL 3150 - Marcus O Leary

Witnesses: IRL 3150

# **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. Conditions: 15 knots.
- 2. The race committee started the sequence of race 2 with a black flag displayed.
- 3. 10 seconds to the start, both boats on starboard, foiling.
- 4. IRL became overlapped to windward of ITA from astern.
- IRL decreased the gap between itself and ITA.
- 6. Contact occurred between the port wing bar of IRL and the sailor of ITA.
- 7. Whilst together both boats headed up and crossed the starting line before the starting signal.
- 8. The boats separated.
- 9. IRL slowed, bore away behind ITA and then took a one turn penalty
- 10. ITA continued towards the windward mark and did not sail to the pre-start side of the starting line at any point before finishing.
- 11. IRL and ITA were scored BFD.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

# CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

**Rules:** RRS 11, 14, 28.1, 43.1(a), 62.1, WS Case 140

- 1. IRL to windward failed to keep clear of ITA to leeward and broke RRS 11 and 14.
- 2. It was not reasonably possible for ITA, the right-of-way boat to avoid contact with IRL when it was clear that IRL was not keeping clear. ITA did not break RRS 14.
- 3. Since ITA was compelled to break RRS 30.4 as a consequence of IRL breaking RRS 11 and 14, she is exonerated under RRS 43.1(a) for this breach.
- 4. Since the incident did not prevent ITA from sailing back to the pre-start side of the starting line and starting in accordance with the definition of Start ITA broke RRS 28.1.
- 5. There was neither an improper action nor omission of the race committee. Therefore, the requirements for redress in RRS 62.1(a) are not met.

**Date & Time:** 2022-07-13 19:35 CEST

1. Protest Upheld. IRL took the applicable penalty and is not further penalized.

- 2. Redress is not given.3. ITA will be scored OCS in race 2.

PROTEST COMMITTEE
Chaired By: Will Davies (GBR)
Committee Members: Nick Devereux (GBR), Václav Brabec (CZE)

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