

DECISION

Request Number: 4

Protest

Event: Hydrofoil Pro Tour - La Ventana Race Number: 5 Blue

Hearing Date: 2016-03-22

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: #33 Xantos Villegas

Respondent(s): #41 Marvin Baumeister

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. #33 was sailing downwind on a starboard tack halfway down the second leg.
2. #41 was sailing downwind to leeward of #33, slightly ahead and overlapped.
3. #33 and #41 were between 6th and 8th position at the time.
3. #41 changed the position of her kite and slowed abruptly in order to avoid an unknown port tack boat.
4. #33 collided with #41 becoming entangled, #33 broke some of her lines.
5. Neither boat was able to finish the race.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

#41 failed to give #33 room to keep clear and broke rule 16.1

#41 failed to avoid contact and broke RRS 14

Through no fault of her own, #41's score was made significantly worse because of the action of #14

DECISION

Protest Upheld

No further penalty shall be imposed on #41 as she retired.
#33 is granted redress in the form of a score of 7. No other boats scores shall be affected by this redress.

Date & Time: 2016-03-21 20:45 PDT

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Rafael Zarazua (MEX)

Committee Members: Rafael Zarazua (MEX), Paul Zupan (USA)

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