

DECISION

Request Number: 1

Protest

Event: Hydrofoil Pro Tour - La Ventana Race Number: 2 Blue

Hearing Date: 2016-03-21

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: #15 Catherine Defour

Respondent(s): Race Committee

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Hail not required

Red Flag Displayed: Not required

DECISION: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

FACTS FOUND

1. Kiteboard #15 was sailing upwind on the second windward leg in the second race of the blue fleet.
2. While approaching the windward mark, the race committee removed the mark.
3. #15 attempted to round the last known position of the mark and then bear away toward the finish.
4. When she approached the finish line, it became apparent she would interfere with the Yellow fleet just after their start, so #15 hailed the finish boat and sailed ashore without crossing the finish line.
5. #15 was scored DNF.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

The race committee committed an error in moving the mark and through no fault of her own, #15's score was made significantly worse.

DECISION

Date & Time: 2016-03-20 18:10 PDT

Redress Granted

<p class="MsoNormal">Redress is given in the form of a score equal to one more than the current last place boat in race 2 of the blue fleet.</p></o:p></p>

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Paul Zupan (USA)

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

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