DECISION Request No.: 14

Protest

Event: 49er, 49erFX and Nacra17 European Championships 2021 Race Number: 11 Hearing Schedule: 2021-09-17

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 14: 49er - MLT 118 - Richard SCHULTHEIS - Richard Schultheis

Race Committee

Witnesses: GER 115, GER 369, GBR 177, GBR 292

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Beyond Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Hail not required

Red Flag Displayed: N/A

Decision: Request Invalid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

FACTS FOUND

- 1. The protest time limit on September 17 for the 49er Silver fleet was 17:12.
- 2. MLT 118 submitted her request at 17:12.
- 3. The event is using an online system to lodge the hearing requests.
- 4. When MLT 118 submitted her request, the submit button faded and nothing more happened. MLT 118 was not sure whether her request had been received.
- 5. The request was not received.
- 6. SI 18.3 states that "Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses".
- 7. MLT 118 did not make any enquiry at the race office when the schedule with her request was not posted as per SI 18.3.
- 8. No notices were posted until a protest from another class was received at 19:17.
- 9. MLT 118 then realized that her request had not been received.
- 10. MLT 118 lodged a new request on September 17 at 19:56.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: RRS 61.3

- 1. MLT 118 failed to deliver the protest within the protest time limit, as required by RRS 61.3.
- 2. There is no good reason for the protest committee to extend the time.

DECISION

The request is invalid.

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Jon Napier (GBR)

Committee Members: Yannis Kleidonas (GRE), Yoann Peronneau (FRA), Ilca Heinrich (GER), Nikoletta Deligianni (GRE)

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