

DECISION

Request No.: 09

Protest

Event: IOM World championship 2022 Race Number: 12 A
Hearing Schedule: 2022-11-04

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 09: IOM - GBR 25 - BritPop - Robert Walsh
IOM - FRA 77 - Venti - Romain Dubreuil

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

1. The hearing was heard with a panel of three members as per N 1.4(b).

FACTS FOUND

1. Conditions: wind - 18knots, sea - choppy.
2. At the start of race 12A, GBR 25 was sailing on starboard tack close-hauled towards the starting line.
3. FRA 77 was sailing on starboard tack close-hauled, overlapped at a close distance to windward of GBR 25.
4. Contact occurred between GBR 25 and FRA 77.
5. Both boats finished in the race.
6. No boat took any penalty.
7. No damage occurred to any of the boats.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: RRS 11, 14, N1.4(b)

1. FRA 77 to windward failed to keep clear of GBR 25 to leeward, and broke RRS 11.
2. FRA 77 did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14.
3. It was not reasonably possible for GBR 25, the right-of-way boat to avoid contact with FRA 77 when it was clear that FRA 77 was not keeping clear. GBR 25 did not break RRS 14.

DECISION

FRA 77 is DSQ in race 12.

Date & Time: 2022-11-04 10:00 UTC

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Chris Watts (GBR)

Committee Members: Didier Greze (FRA) Mirko Ukas (CRO)