DECISION Request No.: 16

Event: Ora Cup Ora Race Number: 5 Hearing Schedule: 2023-08-06 17:30

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 16: Protest Committee

JUNIORES - ITA 9815 - Zanoni Pietro

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes
Proper Hail: N/A

Red Flag Displayed: Not required

Decision: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

During the valid protest hearing of case 15, the PC learnt that ITA 9815, although not a party to the hearing, was involved in the incident and may have broken a rule.

The PC protesteed 9815 as soon as reasonably possible by posting at the ONB a notice about its intention to protest the boat under RRS 63.1(c).

The PC decided there was a good reason to extend the PTL, under RRS 61.3.

ITA 9815 did not come to the hearing, the hearing proceeded in accordance with RRS 63.3(b).

Benedetta Boniotti coach of ITA 3, attended the hearing as an observer.

Michele Gallina coach of ITA 9802, attended the hearing as an observer.

FACTS FOUND

- 1. Wind speed 12 kn, small choppy lake, last minute before the start of race 5.
- 2. ITA 9802 on stb tack was stationary 30 cm. to leeward of the starting line.
- 3. ITA 3 on stb tack was stationary, 1 hull length overlapped to windward of ITA 9802, and 0.5 hull length overlapped to leeward of ITA 9773, stationary on stb tack.
- 4. ITA 9815 on stb tack was sailing below the close-hauled on collision course with ITA 9773.
- 5. When approximately 0.5 hull length away from ITA 9815, ITA 9773 bore away.
- 6. Immediately, ITA 3 bore away sharply, and a contact with no damage occured between ITA 3's stb corner of the bow and ITA 9802's stb corner of the stern.
- 7. No boat took a penalty-turn.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: RRS 11, RRS 14, RRS 43.1(a).

- 1. ITA 9815 to windward failed to keep clear of ITA 9773 to leeward, and broke RRS 11.
- 2. ITA 9773 to windward failed to keep clear of ITA 3 to leeward, and broke RRS 11.
- 3. Since ITA 9773 was compelled to break RRS 11 as a consequence of ITA 9815 breaking RRS 11, she is exonerated under RRS 43.1(a) for this breach.
- 4. ITA 3 to windward failed to keep clear of ITA 9802 to leeward, and broke RRS 11.
- 5. Since ITA 3 was compelled to break RRS 11 as a consequence of ITA 9773 breaking RRS 11, she is exonerated under RRS 43.1(a) for this breach.
- 6. It was not reasonably possible for ITA 3 avoid the contact with ITA 9802.
- 7. It was not reasonably possible for ITA 9802, the right-of-way boat to avoid contact with ITA 3 when it was clear that ITA 3 was not keeping clear. ITA 9802 did not break RRS 14.

DECISION Date & Time: 2023-08-06 17:44 CEST

ITA 9815 is DSQ in race 5.

ITA 3 is reinstated in his finishing position in race 5.

PROTEST COMMITTEE
Committee Type Protest Committee
Chaired By: Giovanni Battista Albrizzi (ITA)
Committee Members: Alessio Brugnerotto (ITA), Giorgio Bolla (ITA), Sergio Petrina (AUS), Edo Stramazzo (ITA)

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