

Protest

Protest No: 12

Received At: 2022-07-22 11:20 BST

1. Event Name: UKLA Open & National Championships ILCA 4, 6 & 7

Protest On: 2022-07-22

Race No: 9/10

2. Hearing Type

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Protest | <input type="checkbox"/> Request to Reopen |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Protest by RC | <input type="checkbox"/> Reopening by PC |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Protest by PC | <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Redress |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Protest by TC | <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Redress by RC |

3. Protestor

ILCA - ILCA 7 - CAN 217267 - Ben Flower

4. Protestees

1. Race Committee

5. Incident

Time Place: roughly 10;30-11;00 22nd July 2022

Rules: 1

Witnesses:

6. Informing Protestee

- Hail:
Hail When: on water to the jury and onshore to the race committee
Hail Comment:
- Red Flag:
Red Flag Comment between 10;30-11;00 22nd July 2022
- Other:
Other Comment:

7. Description Of Incident

We are here to race and the conditions had not changed from when we launched, I could hear the thunder on shore before launching and knowing what that means i went out there anyway. If other competitors didnt want to race knowing the risks then they should have stayed onshore. Its unfair to not race us in conditions that certain competitors want and know they can race in. This is point proven of heath and safety going crazy in this day and age. In the 60s and 70s it was different. A Formula 1 driver sits in his car before a race knowing what the risks involved are and sometimes they die. Someone could also die in 5 knots and perfect sunshine so why today with these conditions? I feel this is a small part of a bigger issue, since switching from GBR to CAN in 2019 I have experienced what i would call discrimination or hatred towards myslef. The competitors who compete against me on an international level (including the GBR sailors) dont show hatred towards me. Everyone knows i wouldve excelled in those conditions today and they know the forecast is to die down and get lighter and they know thats why they sent us in.

8. Damage Or Injury

Attachments