

# DECISION

Request No.: 04

## Protest

Event: 2021 Under 21 European Championships & Open European Trophy Race Number: 6  
Hearing Date: 2021-06-14

### PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 04: ILCA 6 - GBR 216391 - NICHOLLS - Matilda Nicholls

ILCA 6 - POL 197541 - SOBCZAK - Klara SOBCZAK

Interpreters: Lilly May Niezabitowska

### 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

Arbitration not suitable.

### FACTS FOUND

Wind speed about 14knots and wave about 0.5m.

GBR on starboard tack and POL on port tack on a converging course, on a beat to windward with projected collision point in first third of POL port side.

At a distance of 0.5m POL luffed, also GBR luffed hard and before she crossed head to wind contact occurred between the bow of GBR and the starboard side gunwale of POL first third, causing damage on GBR bow, gelcoat showing hair cracks.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

### CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: 10, 14

1. POL on port failed to keep clear of GBR on starboard, and broke RRS 10. POL did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible and broke RRS 14.
2. GBR did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14.

### DECISION

POL is DSQ in race 6.  
GBR is DSQ in race 6.

Date & Time: 2021-06-14 21:10 CEST

### PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Uros Zvan (SLO)

Committee Members: Heiko Thoelmann (GER), Tatiana Ermakova (RUS), Filip Petricevic (MNE), Radivoje Popovic (MNE)

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