



41° Lake Garda Meeting Optimist Scoring Inquiry

Race Date: 2023-04-08

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Request No.: 302

Course: Juniores

Race No.: F1

Posted Score: 212 DNE

Competitor: Optimis Juniores - Pearl (white) - FIN-1083 - Max Poijärvi

Scoring Inquiry:

Having finished F1 successfully at 54th position, Max waited for the next race to begin with his friends. As the time went by and their fleet (White, Pearl) was not called for second race, he began thinking he had missed some info as there were other boats already on the course (pink fleet). Max approached the race committee boat and asked them aloud "did you send White fleet already?" And they answered "you're going wrong way" pointing him to sail quickly towards the 1st mark, so he decided to sail after the fleet (which happened to be the pink fleet but they were so far away he could not see their colours). According to the tracking system he was accompanied by 3-4 other (Pearl, white) boats too. After Max passed 1st Mark the race was soon cancelled due to the sudden lack of wind and the final marks were brought closer to him and the officials guided him to sail between the marks behind the fleet. The officials did not see his white top color.

This all really means he thought he was sailing Pearl F2, he tried to get information from the Race Committee and was guided by the officials to keep sailing. According to the tracking system recordings it is easy to see he did not in fact cause any serious problems to the Pink fleet as he was far away. We now realize it was certainly wrong to join the other fleet but as the fleet had already gone quite far and no real harm was done to the other sailors we sincerely ask the Race Committee to reconsider the DNE as Max would never want to cause any problems to other fleet.

Witnesses:

Metasail Tracking system, recoding of the F1 and F2.

Response:

DNE cancelled due to RC mistake, white fleet did not sail the race and the boat "finished" not in the middle of the fleet but after the last one.
