

Hearing Decision



2023 ILCA 4 Youth European Championships & Open European Trophy

Case Number	With Case	Race Number	Hearing Status
11		2	Closed

Type of Hearing

Report concerning a Support Person

Valid	Date of Race	Received Time
yes	17/04	18:15:29

PARTIES

Class/Fleet	Fleet	Boat or Committee or Person	Represented By/Not Present
ILCA 4 BOYS	Blue	DEN-208873	Marius LINDEKILDE
Support Person	Single	Support Person	Coach 35 (Elena Niccolo) and One more
ILCA 4 BOYS	Single	UKR-221180	Dmytro KARTEL
ILCA 4 GIRLS	Single	ITA-220094	Elena MADESANI

Witnesses

Name	Boat - Committee - Role
Mikkel Jensen	DEN-219821

Case Summary:

Collision between a Coach boat and a sailboat

Procedural Matters:

The International Jury received a report under 60.1(c) and decided to call a hearing under RRS 60.3(d). Ms. Tina Lindekilde (mother of Marius Lindekilde DEN 208873) attended the hearing as an observer.

Facts Found:

1. On Monday 17.04.2023, after the racing of day 1, DEN 208873 was sailing towards the harbour from race area B.
2. Wind speed was around 20kn with choppy sea.
3. Elena Niccolo, the registered coach boat No. 35, was driving his rib which had the grey pontoones and the blue underwater bottom. He was wearing the black clothing and a face mask.
4. DEN 208873 was to leeward of the outer loop gate marks of race course A, when coach boat 35 was sailing at the higher speed and the converging course to DEN 208873.
5. DEN 208873 saw the approaching coach boat less than 5 sec before the contact occurred and tried to luff.
6. Contact occurred between the starboard first quarter gunwhale of DEN 208873 and the port hull of the coach boat, causing gelcoat dents and the upper and lower hull seperated at the gunwhale by approx 40cm length on starboard first quarter of DEN 208873.
7. At the hearing, Elena Niccolo appologized and offered to cover the repair cost of the damage he caused to DEN 208873.

Conclusion & Rules:

RRS preamble of Part 2 applies.
By not keeping out of the way and not avoiding collision with DEN 208873, Elena Niccolo broke IRPCAS rule 8 and IRPCAS Rule 18(a)(iv).

Decision:

1. Coach Elena Niccolo was issued a warning under the RRS 64.5(a)(1).
2. ITA 220094 and UKR 22180, as the sailors coached by Elena Niccolo, have been informed about a further consequences under RRS 64.5(b).

Short Decision:

Warning issued to Mr. Elena Niccolo

Decision Date

21/04

Decision Time

20:58:40

Panel Chair

Andrus Poksi

Panel Members

Gurvinderpal Julka, Boguslaw Moczorodynski, Cristofol Morales, Heiko Thoelmann