Hearing Decision



2023 ILCA 6 Youth European Championships and Open European Trophy

Case NumberWith CaseRace NumberHearing Status2426F5Closed

Type of Hearing

Protest - an allegation that one or more boats broke a rule

Valid	Date of Race	Received Time
yes	18/07	18:23:18

PARTIES ————————————————————————————————————				
Class/Fleet	Fleet	Boat or Committee or Person	Represented By/Not Present	
ILCA 6 BOYS	Gold	GRE 218105	PETRIANOS Adamantios	
ILCA 6 BOYS	Gold	ITA 217812	SANTOSTEFANO Mattia	

Witnesses

Name
CRO 211911 and GRE 208698; Nicole De By

Boat - Committee - Role
CRO 211911 and GRE 208698, for GRE 218105. Nicole De By (jury)

Case Summary:

Mark-room incident.

Procedural Matters:

The protest was returned from arbitration for a hearing.

Facts Found:

- 1. The wind was 8 to 10 knots and the sea was choppy.
- 2. GRE 218105, CRO 211911 and ITA 217182 were sailing downwind towards Mark 3S.
- 3. GRE 218105 and CRO 211911 were on starboard tack and ITA 217182 was on port.
- 4. When GRE 218105 entered the zone, all three boats were overlapped, GRE 218105 on the inside, CRO 211911 in the middle and ITA 217182 on the outside.
- 5. When ITA 217182 was around one boat length from the mark, he gybed to starboard and luffed to round the mark.
- 6. When the distance between ITA 217182 and the mark 3S was around one boat-width, contact occured between the port side of the hull of GRE 218105 and the starboard side of the hull of CRO 211911.
- 7. Contact also occured between the port side of the hull of CRO 211911 and the starboard side of the hull of ITA 217182.
- 8. There was no damage or injury.
- 9. No boat took a penalty.

Conclusion & Rules:

- 1. ITA 217182 outside overlapped at the zone failed to give CRO 211911 and GRE 218105 mark-room, and broke RRS 18.2(b).
- 2. ITA 217182 did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14.
- 3. It was not reasonably possible for GRE 218105 and CRO 211911, the boats sailing within the mark-room to which they were entitled, to avoid contact with ITA 217182 when it was clear that ITA 217182 was not giving mark-room. GRE 218105 and CRO 211911 did not break RRS 14.
- 4. GRE 218105 to windward failed to keep clear of CRO 211911 to leeward, and broke RRS 11.
- 5. CRO 211911 to windward failed to keep clear of ITA 217182 to leeward and broke RRS 11.
- 6. Since GRE 218105 and CRO 211911 broke RRS 11 while they were sailing within the mark-room to which they were entitled, they are exonerated under RRS 43.1(b) for these breaches.

Decision:

ITA 217812 is DSQ in Race F5.

Short Decision: Decision Date Decision Time

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Panel Chair Panel Members

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