

Request for Redress

Protest No: 21

Received At: 2022-10-13 16:37 CEST

1. Event Name: 2022 Formula Kite World Championships

Protest On: 2022-10-13

Race No: Q6

2. Hearing Type

- Protest
- Protest by RC
- Protest by PC
- Protest by TC

- Request to Reopen
- Reopening by PC
- Request for Redress
- Request for Redress by RC

3. Protestor

FK - Men - AUT 149 - Valentin Bontus

4. Protestees

1. Race Committee

5. Incident

Time Place: Race number 6 yellow fleet second upwind

Rules: 62.1(a)

Witnesses: Video and photos

6. Informing Protestee

Hail:

Hail When:

Hail Comment:

Red Flag:

Red Flag Comment

Other:

Other Comment:

7. Description Of Incident

Request for Redress based on improper omission by the race Committee.

I was sailing upwind on port with a speed of approximately 21 knots, just before approaching the starboard layline in 6/7th position, when my foil hit a very small mark anchored (see from the video) just above the waterline which I was not able to see in actual conditions. Given the Speed our boards are sailing, it is indispensable for our safety and fairness that the race committee checks the racing area for potential hazards in particular if they are not or very limited visible for competitors.

By not checking the race area for limited obstructions before starting a race and this causing my board hitting an obstruction that was not visible for me, the race committee made an omission that made my results worse without fault of my own. My Foil was broken and my knee injured and I was not able to continue the race. I therefore request redress for race Q6 in accordance with RRS 62.1(a).

8. Damage Or Injury

Broken foil and knee injury

Attachments



[Photo of broken foil](#)