

DECISION

Protest

Request No.: 25

Heard Jointly With Number(s): 33

Event: 2022 Formula Kite World Championships Race Number: 3
Hearing Schedule: 2022-10-14 17:25

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 25: Formula kite - Women - 26 - Julia Damasiewicz - Julia Damasiewicz

FK - Women - CHN 76 - Jingle Chen - Jingle Chen

Request No.: 33: FK - Women - CHN 76 - Jingle Chen

FK - Women - POL 26 - Julia Damasiewicz

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: Yes

Decision: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

FACTS FOUND

1. Race 3 of gold fleet, first downwind leg.
2. POL 26 and CHN 76 were sailing starboard on a downwind course.
3. At the zone of the leeward mark, POL 26 was overlapped inside and to windward of CHN 76.
4. Both kiteboards were sailing to the mark.
5. CHN 76 was aiming 3 meters leeward of the mark.
6. Just before the mark, CHN 76 raised her kite and luffed.
7. POL 26 was still overlapped and contact occurred between POL 26 and the mark and between POL 26's kite and CHN 76's kite.
8. No damage, no tangle, no injury, no boat took a penalty.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: F18.2, 11, 14, 43

1. CHN 76 outside overlapped at the zone failed to give POL 26 mark-room, and broke RRS F2.18.2(a)(1).
2. POL 26 to windward failed to keep clear of CHN 76 to leeward, and broke RRS 11.
3. Since POL 26 was sailing within the mark-room to which she was entitled and the contact did not cause damage, injury or a tangle, she is exonerated under RRS 43.1(c) for breaking RRS 14.
4. Since POL 26 was sailing within the mark-room to which she was entitled she is exonerated under RRS 43.1(b) for breaking RRS 11.
5. CHN 76 did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14.
6. Since CHN 76 was the right of way kiteboard and the contact did not cause damage, injury or a tangle, she is exonerated under RRS 43.1(c) for breaking RRS 14.

DECISION

CHN 76 is DSQ in race F3.

Date & Time: 2022-10-14 17:45 CEST

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Andres Perez (ESP)

