

DECISION

Request No.: 08

Protest

Event: 2022 Formula Kite World Championships Race Number: 1
Hearing Schedule: 2022-10-11 19:20

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 08: Blue - Kitefoil - 109 - Roderick - Roderick Pijls
Kitefoil - Blue - 131 - Ejder Ginyol

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Beyond Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: Not required

Decision: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. The Protest was registered at 16:18hrs
2. The Protest time limit was 16:14hrs
3. 109 did inform the IJ before the end of the protest time limit that he was having problems with lodging the protest
4. The PC decided that there was good reason to extend the protest time limit under RRS 61.3
5. The hearing took place under RRS N1.4

FACTS FOUND

1. Sailing upwind both boards were on starboard tack, with 109 clear ahead of 131.
2. 131 was sailing faster and established an overlap to windward.
3. Contact occurred between the kites.
4. There was no damage.
5. 131 took a one turn penalty.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: 11, 14

131 as windward board did not keep clear of 109 as leeward board and broke RRS 11.

131 did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible and broke rule 14.

It was not reasonably possible for 109 to avoid contact with 131 when it was clear that 131 was not keeping clear. 109 did not break RRS 14.

Since RRS F4.44.1(b) did not apply, 131 took an applicable penalty by taking a One-Turn Penalty.

DECISION

Date & Time: 2022-10-11 19:39 CEST

Protest is upheld but as 131 took an appropriate penalty no further penalty will be applied under RRS 64.2(a).

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Jacob Andersen (DEN)

Committee Members: Alan Baser (GBR), Antonio Gonzalez de la Madrid (ESP)