

Hearing Decision

2021 iQFOiL European Championships

Case Number

13

With Case

Race Number

8

Hearing Status

Closed

Type of Hearing

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

Request for redress

Valid

yes

Date of Race

26/10

Received Time

17:58:18

PARTIES

| Class/Fleet | Fleet | Boat or Committee or Person | Represented By/Not Present |
|--------------|--------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| iQFOiL Women | Single | ITA 25 | Sofia Renna |
| iQFOiL Women | Single | SUI 226 | Manon Berger |

Witnesses

| Name | Boat - Committee - Role |
|--------------|-------------------------|
| Natasa Lappa | CYP 1 |

Case Summary:

Procedural Matters:

The hearing was heard with a panel of three members in accordance with RRS N1.4(b).
Coach Ricardo Billi acted as a translator for ITA 25.

Facts Found:

Race 8, 15 knots of wind, to windward of the starting line.
A few seconds after the start of race 8, ITA 25 on starboard tack and SUI 226 on port tack, on converging courses.
SUI 226 bore away and passed behind an unidentified board on starboard tack.
SUI 226 crossed in front of ITA 25.
Contact occurred between the mast of ITA 25 and the back of the boom of SUI 226.
Both boards capsized.
SUI 226 took a 360°-Turn Penalty.

Conclusion & Rules:

SUI 226 on port failed to keep clear of ITA 25 on starboard, and broke RRS 10.
SUI 226 did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14.
SUI 226 took the appropriate penalty as required by RRS B4.44.1.
It was not reasonably possible for ITA 25, the right-of-way board to avoid contact with ITA 25 when it was clear that SUI 226 was not keeping clear. ITA 25 did not break RRS 14.
ITA 25's score in race 8 was made significantly worse through no fault of her own by physical damage and capsize because of the action of SUI 226 that broke RRS 10 and took the appropriate penalty. Therefore, the requirements for redress in RRS B5.62.1(b) are met.

Decision:

Protest upheld. SUI 226 took the applicable penalty and is not further penalized.
Redress is given to ITA 25. ITA 25 is to be scored in race 8, points equal to the average, rounded to the nearest tenth of a point (0.05 to be rounded upward), of her points in all races sailed before the last scheduled day of the regatta if racing is later scheduled on that day, except race 8, but no worse than her finishing position. No other board's score shall change.

Short Decision:

Redress given to ITA 25: average of all races in the opening series before the last day of the series. 27/10

Decision Date Decision Time

20:03:00

Panel Chair

Walter Mielke

Panel Members

Manuel Gamito, Baptiste VERNIEST