



Official Communication

As of 1 SEP 2012 At 19:25

PROTEST - DECISION

PROTEST No. 6

Event: 3-Person Keelboat (Sonar)	Race: 2
Protestor: GBR	Protestee:
Protest Details: Rule 29.1	
<p>Facts found: RC observed AUS on course side at the starting signal. RC displayed flag X and made a sound signal after the start. RC removed the x flag 16 seconds after AUS cleared the starting line. After AUS cleared the starting line GBR bore away and sailed toward the starting line for 15 seconds, then headed up to a close-hauled course when the X flag was lowered. RC did not identify GBR as OCS.</p>	
<p>Conclusion: The RC made an error by keeping X flag displayed for 16 seconds after the boat that was OCS was completely on the pre-start side of the line. Rule 29.1. GBR assumed the possibility that she was OCS. She delayed her decision to return to the pre-start side until after AUS returned, then did not return when the x flag was still displayed, and further delayed her decision to return back to the start, and to resume going upwind. The International jury is not satisfied that the race committee's error has made GBR's finishing position significantly worse through no contribution or fault of her own.</p>	
<p>Rule(s) applicable: 29.1</p>	
<p>Decision: Request for redress is denied.</p>	
<p>Decision - short: Request for redress is denied</p>	
<p>Jury: SLEUTEL Henry (IFDS), BEAL Lynne (IFDS), AZZOUG Mohamed (IFDS), JOHNSON Peter (IFDS), VALENTINO Peter (IFDS)</p>	
<p>Signed: _____ Date: 1 SEP 2012 Time: 19:18</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Jury Panel Chairman</p>	

LEGEND
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