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Situation

In a regatta Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, applies unchanged. A boat is penalised the third time. The boat takes a two-turns penalty and continues racing. The boat is scored DNE for all races in the regatta.

As required under rule P.3, the protest committee considered calling a hearing under rule 69.2(a). The committee decided not to call a rule 69 hearing after being convinced that the boat did not deliberately disobey the rule, but simply did not know the rule.

Question 1

May the boat sail the remaining races in the championship, even though her score will be DNE in each race?

Answer 1

No. 'Disqualification...from all races of the regatta' means that the boat is no longer eligible to take part in further races. When a boat knows that she is disqualified from a race, she shall not take part in it.

Question 2

If the answer to Question 1 is yes, what actions are available for the protest committee if the boat breaks a rule and is protested in a race where she is already scored DNE?

Answer 2

N/A