

DECISION

Request Number: 17

Protest

Event: 2018 Etchells World Championships Race Number: 8

Hearing Date: 2018-10-27

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: ETCHELLS - AUS 1130 - Rogue - Robin Row

Respondent(s): ETCHELLS - AUS 1360 - War of the Roses - Jeff Rose

Witnesses: Tracker evidence presented by AUS 1130

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. On the first windward leg of Race 8, during 1/3 to 1/2 way up the leg, the wind speed was averaging about 8 knots and the sea-state was choppy.
2. AUS 1130 was on starboard and AUS 1360 on port were sailing on a close-hauled converging course.
3. At 2 boat lengths apart, AUS 1130 bore away slightly.
4. At less than 1 boat lengths apart, AUS 1130 bore away sharply on a course to pass astern of AUS 1360.
5. AUS 1360 bore away slightly to avoid contact.
6. The closest distance between the two boats was 1m.
7. If neither boats changed course, AUS 1130's bow would have contacted AUS 1360's starboard side just aft of amidships.
8. No contact and no penalty were taken.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed - Started: 1730h, Finished: 1805h

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

AUS 1360 on port failed to keep clear of AUS 1130 on starboard, and broke RRS 10.

DECISION

AUS 1360 is DQ in Race 8.

Date & Time: 2018-10-27 18:05 AEST

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Philippe Mazard (FRA)

Committee Members: Jerrold Ng (SGP), Patricia Stadel (USA), Rosemary Collins (AUS), David Tallis (AUS)

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