

# DECISION

Request Number: 15

## Protest

Event: Europe World Championship 2019 Race Number: 3

Hearing Date: 2019-08-08

### PARTIES AND WITNESSES

**Initiator:** Europe WORLDS Men - ESP-567 - Lluís Morata Garcia

**Respondent(s):** Europe WORLDS Men - FRA-5654 - Christopher Poillot

### 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

- ESP 567, FRA 5564 and an unidentified boat, were both on port tack, FRA clear ahead and to leeward of ESP and the unidentified boat clear ahead and to leeward of both
- The unidentified boat tacked
- When FRA bow was less than  $\frac{1}{4}$  boat length from the unidentified boat's port side, FRA started tacking to starboard
- When ESP bow was less than  $\frac{1}{4}$  boat length from the FRA port side, ESP started tacking to starboard
- There was no contact and no boat took a penalty

**Diagram:** Diagram not endorsed

#### CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

The unidentified, while tacking, did not keep clear of FRA breaking rule 13

ESP 5564 was compelled to break rule 13 by the unidentified boat and he is exonerated

#### DECISION

Protest dismissed

**Date & Time:**

#### PROTEST COMMITTEE

**Chaired By:** Jens True (DEN)

**Committee Members:**

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