

# Protest

Protest No: 09

Received At: 2021-09-04 14:00 UTC

## 1. Event Name: ICRA National Championships

Protest On: 2021-09-04

Race No: 1

## 2. Hearing Type

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Protest | <input type="checkbox"/> Request to Reopen         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Protest by RC      | <input type="checkbox"/> Reopening by PC           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Protest by PC      | <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Redress       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Protest by TC      | <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Redress by RC |

## 3. Protestor

0 - 0 - GBR 9244R - Samatom - Rob Rendell

## 4. Protestees

1. 1 - 1 - 44444 - Magic Touch - Steve Hayes

## 5. Incident

**Time Place:** ~12:30 Second windward mark (offset)

**Rules:** 18.2, 14,

**Witnesses:** Crew

## 6. Informing Protestee

**Hail:**

**Hail When:** Immediately

**Hail Comment:** Protest

**Red Flag:**

**Red Flag Comment** Immediately

**Other:**

**Other Comment:**

## 7. Description Of Incident

At rounding of the weather mark: We were the farthest inside boat. Due to strong tide underneath many boats to weather were significantly overstood. The leading boats in class 1 were rounding ahead.

After rounding the weather mark: Many of the class 1 boats had continued to sail high as they were entitled to.

Before entering the zone: We hailed for room on the mark as they were looking ahead and in a different class they may not have expected a larger boat to have established overlap. They had earlier established the overlap when they bore away from a close hauled course (well after the windward mark).

Following our hail they bore away further.

We entered the zone and in order to avoid them we bore away.

'Magic Touch' continued to bear away and the rate of their turn increased rapidly.

Due to the speed and maneuverability of our boat and the rate at which they were altering course the helmsman made an emergency decision to now take avoiding action by trying to sail above their stern.

'Magic Touch' continued to bear away into us (at no point in time throughout the incident taking avoiding action) and at this point in time our bowsprit caught their stern. As they had their helm to starboard and were pointing nearly dead downwind the incident was worsened significantly.

Following the incident, we fended off in order to mitigate damage, hailed protest, informed the RC & retired from the race.

## **8. Damage Or Injury**

## **Attachments**