



PROTEST COMMITTEE DECISION

Case No: 1 With Case(s): no Race: 6

PARTIES

Boat or Committee or Person	Class/Fleet	Represented By/Not Present
BRA 186	Soling	Hamis H. Loudon
BRA 28	Soling	Luiz Gustavo Jair de Oliveira

WITNESSES

Name	Boat – Committee - Role
Gustavo Barnabei	Member of the international jury

Valid – Yes

Case Introduction:

Procedural Matters: (Conflicts of Interest, parties not present, extending time limits, etc.)

Marcus Caminha (crew of BRA186) attended the hearing as an observer.
Tomas Borges (others) attended the hearing as an observer.

Facts found:

1. The conditions at the time of the incident in race 6 of the Soling WC 2025 were 14 knots of wind and choppy waves.
2. BRA 28 and BRA186 were sailing the 2nd upwind leg, approaching the windward mark. BRA186 was on starboard tack, fetching the mark, and BRA28 was on port tack.
3. BRA 28 completed the tack inside the zone, overlapped 2 meters leeward from BRA 28, 3/4BL ahead, 1 meter from the mark.
4. Just after, BRA 28 luffed and continued sailing about 2 meters after passing the mark.
5. BRA 186 luffed above close-hauled.
6. BRA 28 then bore away and sailed to the offset mark, and BRA 186 bore away behind clear astern.
7. There was no contact with the boats.
8. Neither boat took a penalty.

Conclusions & Rules:

1. BRA 28 caused BRA 186, who was on starboard tack since entering the zone and was fetching the mark, to sail above close-hauled to avoid contact. BRA 28 broke RRS 18.3(a).

Decision: BRA 28 DSQ in race 6

Request to Withdraw: no

Request Approved: no

Protest Committee:

International Jury: Yes

Alvaro Robaina (IJ/URU)(chair); Tatiana Almeida (IJ/BRA)(scribe), Gustavo Bernabei (IJ/ARG), Guilherme Borges (NJ/BRA), Konstantin Knebel (NJ/BRA).

Signed:

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