



PROTEST COMMITTEE DECISION

Case No: 2 Race: 7

PARTIES

Boat or Committee or Person	Class/Fleet	Represented By/Not Present
BRA 73	Soling	Kadu Bergenthal
BRA 48	Soling	Reinaldo Conrad

WITNESSES

Name	Boat – Committee - Role

Valid – Yes

Case Introduction:

Procedural Matters:

- BRA 48 did not come to the hearing; the hearing proceeded in accordance with RRS 63.1(b).
- Kadu Bergenthal provided video evidence.

Facts found:

- The conditions at the time of the incident in race 7 of the Soling WC 2025 were 15-18 knots of wind and choppy waves.
- BRA 73 e BRA 48 were sailing the 1st downwind leg approaching the gate. BRA 73 clear ahead of BRA 48 for around 1 BL.
- BRA 73 has rounded the 2S mark and when she was starting the upwind leg on starboard tack, BRA 48, on starboard tack, passed to 1 m windward of 2S mark and immediately made contact with her bow and the starboard quarter of BRA 73.
- The contact caused a hole with a diameter of 25cm. And the stay disconnected from the spreader.
- BRA 73 and BRA 48 did not finish the race.
- BRA 73 did not sail the race 8 at the same day.
- Neither boat took a penalty.

Conclusions & Rules:

- BRA 48 did not avoid contact with BRA 73 even though it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14(a).
- BRA 48 to windward failed to keep clear of BRA 73 to leeward, and broke RRS 11.
- It was not reasonably possible for BRA 73 the right-of-way boat to avoid contact with BRA 48 when it became clear that BRA 48 was not keeping clear. BRA 73 did not break RRS 14(a).
- BRA 73's place in race 7 and 8 was made significantly worse through no fault of her own by physical damage because of the action of BRA 48 that was breaking RRS 11 and RRS 14(a) and is penalized. Therefore, the requirements for redress in RRS 61.4(b)(2) are met.

Decision:

- BRA 48 is DSQ in Race 7.
- Redress is given to BRA 73. BRA 73 is to be scored in race 7 and 8 points equal to the average, rounded to the nearest tenth of a point (0.05 to be rounded upward), of her points in all races sailed before the race in question.

Request to Withdraw: no

Request Approved: no

Protest Committee:

International Jury: Yes
 Gustavo Bernabei (IJ/ARG)(chair), Tatiana Almeida (IJ/BRA), Alvaro Robaina (IJ/URU); Guilherme Borges (NJ/BRA), Konstantin Knebel (NJ/BRA)

Signed:

Date, time: 22/nov/25