



Spain 2026
SAILING
GRAND SLAM

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Protest nr: 44

Class	49er
Protestor	USA 31 - Nevin Snow
Protestee	Race Committee
Witnesses	
Type	protest & redress
Incident	While leading the race and rounding the first gate, there was no visual or audio signal of a change of course. As we approached the weather mark the RC mark boat was at the weather mark but was making no attempt to remove it. The lead group continued to race towards the original mark. The small group of leaders were required to alter course and dramatically impacted the finish position of the top group of boats.
Date/Time of hearing	2 Apr 2025 at 17:15
Location	Room 1
Procedural matters	1. USA 31 was represented by Nevin Snow. 2. RC was represented by Pinar Coskuner Genc. 3. Mina STANIKIC, member of the International Jury, gave evidence. 4. During the hearing the International Jury clarified in accordance with RRS 63.2(c) that the hearing request was not also a protest but just a request for redress, and proceeded with it accordingly.
Facts found	1. When USA 31 was rounding the gate on top of the fleet, the conditions were 10 knots of wind and half a meter waves. 2. Since before the first boat begun rounding the gate, the Race Committee at the gate displayed the course change board with repeated sound signals made with a whistle. 3. Before the first boat rounded the gate, the replacement black mark 1 was in the new position, with the race committee boat still close by and monitoring it. 4. USA 31 headed initially to the original red mark. 5. The Race Committee removed the red mark. 6. USA 31 then sailed to and rounded the replacement mark.
Conclusion	There was neither an improper action nor improper omission of the race committee. Therefore, the requirements for redress in RRS 61.4(b)(1) are not met.
Rules applicables	61.4(b)(1)
Jury Decision:	Redress is not given.
Date of decision:	2 Apr 2025 at 17:48



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Jury members	Alina STRATIGIOU (IJ-GRE) (c), Pablo MACIAS (IJ-ESP) (s), Giorgio DAVANZO (IJ-ITA), Murat SUNTAY (NJ-TUR), Mina STANIKIC (IJ-SRB)
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