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Protest nr: 62

Class	IQ FOIL Women
Protestor	ESP 513 - Julia Gomez Roa
Protestee	USA 220 - Dominique Stater
Witnesses	
Type	protest & redress
Incident	In race 15, first downwind I was approaching to the gate sailing on starboard when I had to avoid collision with USA sailing on port, and I capsized.
Date/Time of hearing	4 Apr 2025 at 19:15
Location	Hearing Room - Portixol
Procedural matters	** Original Procedural Matters ** 1. The panel of the international jury was composed in accordance with RRS N1.4(b). 2. ESP 513 was represented by Julia Gomez Roa. 3. USA 220 was represented by Dominique Slater. 4. Pedro Pascual (coach of USA 220) and Mateo Sanz (coach of ESP 513) attended the hearing as observers. ** Original Panel ** Vaclav Brabec IJ (CZE)(c), Stavros Kouris IJ (GRE) (s), Luis Jordan NJ (ESP) ** Original Short decision ** "1. The protest is dismissed. 2. Redress is not given." ** Original Decision time ** 3rd April at 16:19 ** Reopening Procedural Matters ** 1. The hearing was reopened on April 4th as decided in hearing No. 89. 2. ESP 513 was represented by Julia Gomez Roa. 3. USA 220 was represented by Dominique Slater. 4. Pedro Pascual (coach of USA 220) and Diego Yubero (Rules Advisor of ESP 513) attended the hearing as observers.

Facts found	** Original Facts Found ** 1. Race 15 of the iQFOIL women's fleet was a course race. 2. The conditions at the time of the incident were 15 knots of wind with relatively flat water. 3. ESP 513 and USA 220 were foiling, both on starboard tack. USA 220 was 5 board lengths clear ahead and 3-4 board lengths to windward of ESP 513. 4. When the boards were 30 metres away from the gate, USA 220 bore away and gybed to port. After the gybe, USA 220 sailed dead downwind and slowed down. 5. At this moment, ESP 513 who was still 5 board lengths from USA 220, started to bear away. 6. When the boards were 2 board lengths apart, ESP 513 dropped off the foil, lost control and capsized. Her sail fell just in front of their board. 7. USA 220 luffed and crossed in front of ESP 513, keeping the same distance. 8. There was no contact between the boards. No board capsized. 9. No board took any penalty. ** Reopening Facts Found** 1. Race 15 of the iQFOIL women's fleet was a course race. 2. The conditions at the time of the incident were 15 knots of wind with relatively flat water. 3. ESP 513 and USA 220 were foiling, both on starboard tack. USA 220 was 5 board lengths clear ahead and 3-4 board lengths to windward of ESP 513. 4. When the boards were 30 metres away from the gate, USA 220 bore away and gybed to port. After the gybe, USA 220 sailed dead downwind and slowed down. 5. At that moment, a collision course was established between the boards. 6. When ESP 513 was 3 board lengths from USA 220, ESP 513 started to bear away. 7. ESP 513 then slowed down, dropped off the foil, lost control and capsized. 8. USA 220 luffed and crossed 3 meters ahead of ESP 513. 9. There was no contact between the boards. 10. No board took any penalty.
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Conclusion	** Original Conclusions ** 1. USA 220 on port kept clear of ESP 513 on starboard and did not break RRS 10. 2. ESP 513 score in race 15 was made significantly worse through her own fault. Therefore, the requirements for redress in RRS 61.4(b)(2) as changed by RRS B5.61.4 are not met. ** Reopening Conclusions ** 1. USA 220 on port tack failed to keep clear of ESP 513 on starboard tack, and broke RRS 10. 2. ESP 513's score in race 15 was made significantly worse through no fault of her own by capsizing because of the action of USA 220 that broke a RRS 10 and was penalized. Therefore, the requirements for redress in RRS 61.4(b)(2) as changed by RRS B5.61.4 are met.	
Rules applicables	RRS 10, B5.61.4(b)(2), N1.4(b)	
Jury Decision:	1. USA 220 is DSQ in R15	2. Redress is given to ESP 513 in R15. Course racing / Marathon racing in the Opening series will count as a "series" for the purpose of WS Case 116. ESP 513 is to be scored in race 15 average points in accordance with rule A9(a), based on Course and Marathon races in the Opening Series, except race 15. Results from Sprint races should not be included in this calculation. No other boards scores shall change.
Date of decision:	4 Apr 2025 at 20:24	
Jury members	Stavros Kouris IJ (GRE) (c), Pablo Macias IJ (ESP) (s), Murat SUNTAY NJ (TUR), Hella BOUMA IJ (NED), Fran VIDAL IJ (ESP)	

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