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Protest nr: 63

Class	IQ FOIL Women
Protestor	POL 77 - Zofia Noceti Klepacka
Protestee	SUI 130 - Elena Sandera
Witnesses	
Type	protest & redress
Incident	in race 13 I was sailing downwind on starboard tack, I was inside the mark overlapped with SUI 81. As a result of SUI 81 not giving me enough room to round the mark, we made contact and I fell into the water, I have video
Date/Time of hearing	3 Apr 2025 at 15:20
Location	Hearing Room - Portixol
Procedural matters	1. The panel of the international jury was composed in accordance with RRS N1.4(b). 2. POL 77 was represented by Zofia Noceti Klepacka. 3. SUI 130 was represented by Elena Sandera. 4. Henry Blockworth (coach of SUI 130) attended the hearing as an observer.
Facts found	1. The conditions at the time of the incident were 15 knots of wind. 2. The incident happened after the rounding of mark 4s of the gate in race 13, the first race of the iQFOiL women's fleet on 3 of April. 3. When POL 77 hailed "protest", the distance between the boards was more than 15 15 metres. 4. During the hearing, POL 77 stated that her hail might have not been heard by the other board. 5. There was at least a period of time of 8 minutes, between the last board finishing each race and the warning signal of the succeeding race, throughout all races. 6. POL 77 did not inform SUI 130 about her intention to protest in between the races. 7. POL 77 inform SUI 130 about her intention to protest, only after arriving ashore. 8. POL 77 was involved in incident with SUI 130 resulting in POL 77 capsizing, after rounding the gate mark. 9. SUI 130 did not take any penalty and finished the race. 10. POL 77 finished the race.



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Conclusion	1. POL 77 failed to inform SUI 130 of her intention to protest at the first reasonable opportunity as required by RRS 60.2(b). 2. Since no board who may have broken a rule of Part 2 and caused capsized was penalized or took an appropriate penalty, POL 77 is not entitled to redress, as stated in RRS 61.4(b)(2) as changed in RRS B5.61.4.
Rules applicables	RRS 60.2(b), 63.4(a)(1), B5.64.1(b)(2), N1.4(b)
Jury Decision:	The protest is invalid, the hearing is closed under RRS 63.4(a)(1). Redress is not given.
Date of decision:	3 Apr 2025 at 16:56
Jury members	Stavros Kouris IJ (GRE)(c), Vaclav Brabec IJ (CZE)(s), Luis Jordan NJ (ESP)

Signature:

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