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Protest nr: 69

Class	IQ FOIL Men
Protestor	SLO 31 - Val Erzen
Protestee	USA 1 - Makani Andrews
Witnesses	
Type	protest & redress
Incident	Usa 1 broked the rule starbord/ port ,not keeping clear
Date/Time of hearing	3 Apr 2025 at 17:15
Location	Hearing Room - Portixol
Procedural matters	1. SLO 31 was represented by Van Erzen. 2. USA 1 was represented by Makani Andrews. 3. The panel of the international jury was composed in accordance with RRS N1.4(b).
Facts found	Protest: 1. Race 13 of the iQFOiL Gold fleet was a course race. 2. The conditions at the time of the incident were 15 knots of wind with choppy waters. 3. Ten to fifteen seconds after the start, USA 1 was sailing on port tack, on a collision course with SLO 31 on starboard tack. 4. When USA 1 saw SLO 31 she started heading up towards head to wind and SLO 31 did so as well. One and a half seconds after heading up, contact occurred between the starboard middle section of USA 1's board and the port bow quarter of SLO 31's board. Additionally, there was contact between the foils. 5. There was no damage or injury. 6. SLO 31 capsized. 7. USA 1 took a 360°-Turn Penalty and when finished she was still ahead of SLO 31, who was still taking the sail out of the water. 8. SLO 31 did round Mark 1 ahead of USA 1. 9. Both boards finished the race. Request for redress: 1. The written form did not state any reason for making the request for redress.



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Conclusion	1. USA 1 on port tack failed to keep clear of SLO 31 on starboard tack, and broke RRS 10. 2. USA 1 did not avoid contact when it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14(a). 3. It was not reasonably possible for SLO 31, the right-of-way board, to avoid contact with USA 1 when it was clear that USA 1 was not keeping clear. SLO 31 did not break RRS 14(a) 4. The request for redress does not identify the reasons for making it, as required by RRS 61.2.
Rules applicables	RRS 10, 14(a), 61.2, 63.4(a)(1), N1.4(b)
Jury Decision:	1. The protest is upheld. Since USA 1 took an applicable penalty, they are not further penalized under RRS 60.5(c)(2). 2. The request for redress is invalid, the hearing is closed under RRS 63.4(a)(1).
Date of decision:	3 Apr 2025 at 18:26
Jury members	Vaclav Brabec IJ (CZE)(c), Cxema Pico IJ (IRL)(s), Luis Jordan NJ (ESP)
Signature:	

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