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Protest nr: 109

Class	ILCA 7
Protestor	FRA 222930 - Alexandre Kowalski
Protestee	TUR 191719 - Berkay Abay
Witnesses	
Type	protest
Incident	FRA was coming on starboard, from the inside, overlapped on TUR and ESP. TUR did not give enough room to round the mark, resulting in contact between the boats
Date/Time of hearing	4 Apr 2025 at 18:40
Location	ILCA 7
Procedural matters	1. FRA 222930 was represented by Alexandre KOWALSKI. 2. TUR 191719 was represented by Berkay ABAY. 3. Laia Vadell Pla (RC member) attended the hearing as an observer. 4. The panel of the International Jury was composed in accordance with RRS N1.4(b).
Facts found	1. The conditions at the time of the incident in race 10F of the Gold Fleet were 7 knots of wind with choppy waves. 2. FRA 222930 and TUR 191719 and an unidentified ESP boat were sailing downwind on starboard tack towards mark 3p. 3. ESP and TUR 191719 gybed to port tack outside of the zone of mark 3p. 4. FRA 222930 and ESP entered the zone overlapped inside of TUR 191719. 5. The distance between FRA 222930 and TUR 191719 was three boat lengths. 6. TUR 191719 was half a boat length ahead, overlapped to leeward and outside of ESP with 1 meter lateral distance. 7. When FRA 222930 was half a boat length away from the mark, a contact occurred between FRA 222930's starboard side and TUR 191719's port side. 8. At the same moment, ESP's bow made contact with FRA 222930's aft starboard side and TUR 191719's aft port side. 9. There was no damage or injury. 10. Neither boat took a penalty. 11. Both boats finished the race.



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Conclusion	1. TUR 191719 outside overlapped at the zone failed to give FRA 222930 and ESP mark-room, and broke RRS 18.2(a)(1). 2. ESP outside overlapped at the zone failed to give FRA 222930 mark-room, and broke RRS 18.2(a)(1). 3. Since ESP was compelled to break RRS 18.2(a)(1) as a consequence of TUR 191719 breaking RRS 18.2(a)(1), she is exonerated under RRS 43.1(a) for this breach. 4. TUR 191719 did not avoid contact with FRA 222930 even though it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14(a). 5. It was not reasonably possible for FRA 222930 and ESP, boats sailing within the mark-room to which they were entitled, to avoid contact with TUR 191719 when it became clear that TUR 191719 was not giving mark-room. FRA 222930 and ESP did not break RRS 14(a).	
Rules applicables	RRS 14(a), 18.2(a)(1), 43.1(a) and N1.4(b)	
Jury Decision:	TUR 191719 is to be scored DSQ in race 10F.	
Date of decision:	4 Apr 2025 at 19:40	
Jury members	Anastazja Lewandowska (IJ-POL); Tatiana Almeida (NJ-BRA); Timo HaB (IJ-GER)	

Signature:

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