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Protest nr: 116

Class	49er
Protestor	FRA 441 - Théo Revil
Protestee	ITA 311 - Jan Pernarcic
Witnesses	
Type	protest & redress
Incident	I was starboard at the pin, I was the first boat at the pin. 10 seconds before the start ITA 311 arrive on port and crash his wing on the front of my boat and after he tack. It was impossible for us to avoid the contact. I said protest. I started last on port after all the fleet.
Date/Time of hearing	4 Apr 2025 at 20:00
Location	Room 2
Procedural matters	1. The panel of the international jury was composed in accordance with RRS N1.4(b). 2. FRA 441 was represented by Théo Revil. 3. ITA 311 did not come to the hearing, the hearing proceeded in accordance with RRS 63.1(b).
Facts found	1. Last race of the day, race no. 14F of 49er silver group. 2. The conditions at the moment of the incident were 12-13 knots of wind and flat sea. 3. 30 seconds before the start, FRA 441 was stationary on the line on starboard tack two boats lengths from the pin-end boat. 4. 10-15 seconds before the start ITA 311 was sailing closed hauled on port on a collision course with FRA 441. 5. When the distance between the boats was one meter FRA 441 luffed sharply. 6. The contact occurred between FRA 441's bow and the front part of ITA 311's starboard wing. 7. Immediately after, ITA 311 tacked to starboard, continued sailing and started just after starting signal. 8. It was for clear for ITA 311 that the contact occurred. 9. FRA 441 went head to wind and drifted below stating line. 10. FRA 441 started 20-30 seconds after the starting signal. 11. There was no damage 12. No boat took a penalty.



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Conclusion	1. ITA 311 on port tack failed to keep clear of FRA 441 on starboard tack, and broke RRS 10. 2. ITA 311 did not avoid contact with FRA 441 even though it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14(a). 3. FRA 441 did not avoid contact with ITA 311 even though it was reasonably possible, and broke RRS 14(a). 4. Since FRA 441 was right-of way boat and the contact did not cause damage or injury, she is exonerated under RRS 43.1(c) for breaking RRS 14. 5. By knowingly breaking rule 10 and not taking the appropriate penalty, ITA 311 failed to compete in compliance with the principles of sportsmanship and fair play as stated in RRS Basic Principles. ITA 311 broke RRS 2. 6. FRA 441 place in race #14 was not made significantly worse through no fault of her own because of the action of ITA 311 that was breaking RRS2. Therefore, the requirements for redress in RRS 61.4(b)(5) are met.	
Rules applicables	RRS 2, 10, 14, 43.1(c) and 61.4(b)(5).	
Jury Decision:	1. ITA 311 is DNE in race 14F.	
	2. Redress is not given.	
Date of decision:	4 Apr 2025 at 21:00	
Jury members	Hrvoje Ban (NJ -CRO), Aleksander Prusinski (IJ-POL), Laura German (IJ-ESP)	
Signature:		

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