DECISION

Protest / Request Number: 20

Protest by Boat(s)
Event: 29er World Championship   **Race Number: 2F**
Hearing Date: 2016/07/28

PARTIES AND WITNESSES
Parties Protesting: GBR2347 Izzy Black
Parties Being Protested: GER1384 Louisa Mueller
Witnesses: GBR 2118 - Lewis Brown, GBR 2046 William Cook

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury:	No
Within Time Limit:	Within Time Limit
Incident Identified:	Yes
Proper Hail:	Protest hailed
Red Flag Displayed:	Not required
DECISION:	Protest Valid

FACTS FOUND
1. During final race 2, with wind over 10 knots and gusty, on the second downwind leg, GBR 2347 was sailing on starboard on a collision course with GER 1384 sailing on port
2. At two boat lengths from GER 1384, when it became clear to GBR 2347 that GER 1384 would not keep clear, GBR 2347 gybed to port
3. There was a collision between the bowsprit of GER 1384 and the main sail of GBR 2347, with damage to the main sail of GBR 2347.
4. As a result of the collision GBR 2347 capsized.
4. The mainsail of GBR 2347 was ripped off the mast and below the lower batten.
5. After recovering from capsize GBR finished race 2 and could not sail race 3.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY
GER 1384 failed to keep clear of GBR 2347 and broke RRS 10
GER 1384 did not avoid the collision and broke RRS 14.
It was not reasonably possible for GBR 2347 to avoid the collision and she did not break rule 14.
The score of GBR 2347 was made significantly worse in race 3 of the final series by no fault of her own as a result of the breach of GER 1384 of a rule of part 2.

DECISION - Protest Upheld   **Date and Time:** 2016/07/28 19:40 CEST
GER 1384 is to be scored DSQ in race 2.
GBR 2347 is granted redress in race 3 of the final series based on average of races 1 and 2 of the final series.

PROTEST COMMITTEE
Chaired by: Sylvie Harle (FRA)
Committee Members: Bence Borocz (HUN), Paul Zupan (USA), Uras Claudio (ITA), Anne Kaalstad (NOR)