

Melges 24 European Sailing Series Act 2

Portorož, 27.-29. April 2018

Decision of Protest Committee

Protest Number:	C_11
Protest Heard With:	
Date of Hearing:	29. April 2018
Regatta:	Melges 24 Europa Cup Series Act 2
Date of Incident:	29. April 2018
Race Number:	5
Boat Protesting, or Requesting redress or Reopening:	EST 646
Boat(s) Protested:	ITA 793
Representatives:	Protestor: Tonis Haavel Protestee: Samuele Nicolettis
Witness(es):	Franco Battistin (Int. Jury)
Translator(s):	n.a.
Conflict of interests:	
Validity:	Request for redress is valid, hearing continued
Facts Found:	EST at the committee boat 10 seconds before the start on starboard tack. EST above clouse-hauled. ITA on starboard established overlap with EST from clear astern on windward. ITA bore away and with her bow hit EST on her starboard side close to the stern. EST was turned by the hit to the right and made contact with the stern of the committee boat. Jury boat in vicinity penalized ITA with red flag. ITA promptly did two penalty turns. Damage (slight surface gelcoat damage at the area of the bow numbers) occurred on EST due to the contact with committee boat. There is no damage on the committee boat.
Diagram:	
Conclusions:	ITA as windward boat didn't keep clear as per rule 11. By causing contact with light damage ITA broke rule 14. There was no reasonable opportunity for EST to avoid contact. ITA exonerate herself by taking two penalty turns.
Rules that Apply:	11, 14, 44.1
Decision:	No further penalties for ITA. Protest dismissed
Protest Committee:	Ioanna Sultan Hancioglu IJ, TUR, Franco Battistin IJ, CRO, Gibi Abrizzi NJ, ITA, Stanko Uzmah NJ, SLO, Uros Zvan IJ, SLO
Chairman's Signature:	Uros Zvan IJ, SLO
Date and Time Decision Advised:	29. April at 17:00

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