

Global Team Race Question 2

Situation:

There is an incident between boats A and B where both boats break a rule of RRS part 2 (for example 10 & 24.2). Only one boat protests and no boat takes a voluntary penalty.

Question 1:

May the umpires penalise both boats?

Answer 1:

Yes. Rule D2.2(d) applies and an umpire may penalize any boat that is not exonerated.

Question 2:

Would the answer be different if both boats protest?

Answer 2:

No. One valid protest is all that is required for umpires to respond in a single incident.

Question 3:

If Boat A protests and Boat B takes a voluntary penalty, may the umpires penalize boat A for her rule breach?

Answer 2:

No. The competitors have resolved the incident themselves and there is no outstanding protest.