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Situation

At the beginning of an event with a properly constituted international jury, two measurement protests were lodged by the race committee based on a report from the measurer. The claim was that incorrect measurements had been recorded, and that this had resulted in a wrong calculation of the rating.

One of the protestees stated in writing that should he be disqualified, he would appeal the decision and then compete in subsequent races without changes to the boat as described in rule 64.3(c). The protest was heard and dismissed.

Question

Does rule 64.3(c) create a right of appeal irrespective of whether rule 70.5 applies to the event? If the decision is made by an international jury, can a competitor appeal against a disqualification?

Answer

Rule 64.3(c) describes a process that is available only when the right of appeal is available. When the right of appeal has been denied under rule 70, rule 64.3(c) does not apply and an appeal by the boat would be found invalid.