

Racing Rules of Sailing

Protest Form

A submission from the Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee

Purpose or Objective

To provide a protest committee decision form consistent with the Hearing Request Form approved in 2018.

Proposal 1

To delete the current page 2 of the Protest Form and replace it with 'Protest Committee Decision'

Proposal 2

To include this form as the second page of the Hearing Request Form approved in 2018 and make it available as a Word document for download from the World Sailing website.

Proposal 3

To make the attached hearing checklist available for download, together with the Hearing Request and Protest Committee Decision Form.

Current Position

A replacement form for the current Protest Form was approved in 2018 and also a statement to be included in the RRS 'A version of this form is available on the World Sailing website under Racing Rules.' was also approved.

Reasons

1. These forms are currently in use at many events.
 2. Producing the decisions in electronic format enables the completed decision to be posted on electronic notice board and sent by electronic means to the parties.
 3. A full checklist for hearings has been used at major event for more than three Olympic cycles. All of these checks are equally appropriate for all hearings at all levels and help protest committees to avoid procedural errors. This will help reduce the number of appeals and provide a better service to competitors.
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Event:
PROTEST COMMITTEE DECISION Case No: With Case(s): Race:

PARTIES		
Boat or Committee or Person	Class/Fleet	Represented By/Not Present

WITNESSES	
Name	Boat - Role

Valid – Yes/No (if ‘No’ use Facts Found to document this decision)

Case Introduction: (Type of hearing and one or two sentences to set the scene of the case e.g. ‘A boat to boat incident at the leeward mark’ or ‘A request for redress for being scored OCS.’)
Procedural Matters (Conflicts of Interest, parties not present, extending time limits, for example)
Facts found:
Conclusion & Rules:
Decision:
<div><div>Protest Committee: Name MNA, IJ (Chair), Name MNA, IJ, Name MNA, IJ, Name MNA, IJ, Name MNA, IJ.</div><div>Signed:</div><div><div>International Jury: Yes/No</div><div>Date, time:</div></div></div>

HEARING CHECK LIST

Case Number: _____

Note: 'N/A' means *Not Applicable*; 'N/C' means *Not Completed* or *Not Considered* by the protest committee.

See instructions for completing the checklist on page 2

<p>(1) BEFORE THE HEARING (parties not present)</p> <p>1.1 Protest hearing scheduled and posted (63.2)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/C</p> <p>1.2 Hearing under App B or Add Q? <input type="checkbox"/> App B <input type="checkbox"/> Add Q <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p> <p>1.3 No interested party on jury (63.4)? <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Judge(s) recused _____</p> <p>1.4 International Jury properly constituted (App N)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/C</p> <p>1.5 Contents (61.2) (a) Protestor and protestee identified? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> N/C (b) Incident identified <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> N/C (c) Reason for requesting redress identified <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> N/C</p> <p>1.6 Parties available <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Postponed: _____</p> <p>1.7 Jury witnesses? Judge saw the incident? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Identified <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/C</p> <p>1.8 Is TV coverage available? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Obtained <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/C</p> <p>(2) HEARING PRELIMINARIES (parties present)</p> <p>2.1 Observers and Instructions <input type="checkbox"/> Verbal <input type="checkbox"/> Handouts <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p> <p>2.2 Understand English / Help Needed? <input type="checkbox"/> Done <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> N/C</p> <p>2.3 Correct hearing and participants <input type="checkbox"/> Done <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> N/C</p> <p>2.4 Policy on recordings <input type="checkbox"/> Done <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> N/C</p> <p>2.5 Record names (from accreditation) <input type="checkbox"/> Done <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> N/C</p> <p>2.6 Party(s) present? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Proceed under 63.3(b)</p> <p>2.7 Boat's rep on board for Part 2, 3 or 4 (63.3) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> N/C</p> <p>2.8 Introduce Jury? <input type="checkbox"/> Done <input type="checkbox"/> N/C</p> <p>2.9 Objections on grounds of interest (63.4)? <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Valid <input type="checkbox"/> Invalid <input type="checkbox"/> N/C</p> <p>2.10 Copy of protest form - time to prepare (63.2)? <input type="checkbox"/> Done <input type="checkbox"/> Extend: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> N/C</p> <p>2.11 Parties understand procedure? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Explained <input type="checkbox"/> N/C</p>	<p>2.12 Any penalties taken? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/C</p> <p>2.13 Request to withdraw protest (63.1)? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Denied</p> <p>2.14 Will parties be calling any witnesses? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/C</p> <p>(3) VALIDITY</p> <p>3.1 Contents – parties, incident (61.2, 62.2) <input type="checkbox"/> OK <input type="checkbox"/> Corrected <input type="checkbox"/> N/C</p> <p>3.2 Protest delivered within time limit (61.3, 62.2)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Extended: _____</p> <p>3.3 Hail (61.1)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A _____</p> <p>3.4 Flag displayed (61.1)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A _____</p> <p>3.5 If no hail, Protestee properly informed (61.1)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A _____</p> <p>3.6 For Part 2, protestor involved in or saw incident (60.1(a))? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> N/C</p> <p>3.7 For boards – informed race committee (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> N/C</p> <p>(4) EVIDENCE</p> <p>4.1 <input type="checkbox"/> Each party gives evidence (M3.2)</p> <p>4.2 <input type="checkbox"/> Parties question each other (M3.2) <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p> <p>4.3 <input type="checkbox"/> Witnesses of parties (63.6 & M3.2) <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p> <p>4.4 <input type="checkbox"/> Witnesses questioned (M3.2) <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p> <p>4.5 <input type="checkbox"/> Jury evidence (63.6) <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p> <p>4.6 <input type="checkbox"/> Jury questions (M3.2)</p> <p>4.7 <input type="checkbox"/> Summaries (last opportunity) (M3.2) <input type="checkbox"/> N/C</p> <p>(5) DECISION</p> <p>5.1 Parties present (65.1) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Partial _____</p> <p>5.2 Decision date and time on form and jacket <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>5.3 Request for copy of decision? <input type="checkbox"/> Verbal <input type="checkbox"/> Written <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Granted <input type="checkbox"/> Denied</p> <p>(6) SUMMARY</p> <p>6.1 Any concerns or unusual procedures? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Explain (cont. reverse side): _____</p> <p>_____</p>
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Recorded by:

Panel Chair:

Date:

Time: