**Situation**
At an event with a qualifying series of up to 6 races, a boat was damaged in a collision with a vessel required to keep clear (an un-flagged media boat between races in the pre-start area of the course) and was unable to compete in races 4, 5 and 6. The competitor had completed races 1, 2 and 3.

**Question**
When an event consists of multiple series (i.e. opening series, qualifying series, or final series) how should the protest committee proceed in order to give redress and uphold the principles established in World Sailing Case 116?

**Answer**
If the protest committee decides that the boat is entitled to redress under rule 62, the qualifying series shall be considered as a separate series for the purpose of applying Case 116. The preamble of Case 116 states that it is not fair to the other boats in the series to give average points for half or more of the races that comprise her series score (in this case the qualifying series). If there is no discard, 6 races will comprise her score in the qualifying series, and if there is a discard, 5 races will comprise her score in the qualifying series. In both cases, average points may be given to a maximum of two races, to comply with Case 116.

The fairest arrangement would be to give redress of average points for only races 4 and 5. Race 6 will then have to be scored DNC, which might be discarded, depending on the scoring system applying for the event.