

Request for Redress - 18/6/25 Wednesday Winter Series Race 8

Hearing: 9.30am 21-06-2025

Validity: The Request for Redress was Valid

Facts Found:

1. The 18/6/25 Wednesday Winter Series Race 8, was started for Division 2 at 1405 in 4-6kn SW breeze.
2. Gunner Goodwin retired from racing at 1523.
3. RC shortened the course at Stokes Point at 1527

Conclusion:

Gunner Goodwin no longer racing at the time of shortened course announcement. Gunner Goodwin's finishing position could not be made materially worse by the actions of the Race Committee.

There was no action of the Race Committee that affected the decision to retire.

Gunner Goodwin does not meet the criteria of RRS 61.4 for redress.

Decision:

Request denied.

Note: However, we note that the decision of the race committee to shorten the race at 1527 after Gunner Goodwin had retired and boats in Division 2 had already rounded Stokes Mark was in breach of Rule 32.2. We recommend that the Race Committee consider amending the Sailing Instructions to provide further options for shortening the course.

Protest Committee: Richard Hudson (Chair), Steven Hatch, Nicole Butcher