

PROTE6ST COMMITTEE DECISION

Case No: 1 With Case(s):

Race: 2

PARTIES

Boat	Class/Fleet	Represented By
ESP 26	RACEBOARD	Paula Cañizares Bemítez
ESP 7	RACEBOARD	Gonzalo Cardosa Sanz

WITNESSES

Name	Boat – Committee - Role

Valid – YES**Case Introduction:**

Incident with contact that produced damage and that took place in the first beat.

The sailing conditions were 18 knots and 1 meter waves.

Procedural Matters:

The protest meet the requirements to be valid.

Facts found:

ESP 26 and ESP 7 were sailing on close hauled in a collision course.

Boats were on opposite tacks with ESP 26 on starboard.

When ESP 26 saw ESP 7 coming on port on a collision course, she hailed “starboard” and backed the sail.

ESP 7 tried to pass in front of ESP 26 but contact occurred between the bow of ESP 26 and the starboard side of ESP 7.

The collision caused a hole of 5 cm on the ESP 26 hull. The hull was leaking water to the foam.

ESP 7 took one turn penalty as soon as possible

Both boats finish the race.

Conclusion & Rules:

ESP 7, on port tack, failed to keep clear of ESP 26 on starboard tack, breaking RRS 10.

By doing the one-turn, ESP 7 took the appropriate penalty and no further penalty is imposed.

Decision:

Protest dismissed.

Request to Withdraw:**Request Approved:****Protest Committee:**

International Jury: Yes

Michael O'Connor (IJ) IRLMO31; Michael Short (IJ) GBRMS92; Paco Quiñonero (IJ) ESFQ3.

**Signed:**

Date, time: 8/09/2026 at 17:30