



Decision of Protest Committee

Protest Number:	1	
Protest Heard With:	n/a	
Date of Hearing:	30 March 2018	
Event:	Twilight	
Class:		
Date of Incident:	01 March 2018	
Race Number:	21	
Boat Contesting:	4787 - Baile De Luna	Represented by: Not represented by prior arrangement
Boat(s) Protested:	6447 - Mystic	Represented by: Not represented by prior arrangement
Translator(s):	n/a	
Validity:	Valid – Hail made but no flag displayed due to damage. Proceeded under rule 61.1(c)(4)	
Facts Found:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The hearing proceeded with neither party present with the prior agreement of both parties.2. 4787 was approaching the windward mark, to be rounded to starboard, close hauled on starboard tack.3. 6447 was on a converging course, close hauled on port tack.4. 6447 tried to bear away behind 4787 but was unable to do so and there was heavy contact between the bow of 6447 and the port side of 4787 amidships causing damage to the hull of 4787 and the bow of 6447.5. Neither boat took a penalty.6. Neither boat finished the race.7. 6447 retired from the race in acknowledgement of her breach.	
Diagram:	Protestor's diagram is accepted	
Conclusions:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. 6447 did not keep clear of 4795 and broke rule 10.2. It was reasonably possible for 6447 to have avoided contact but she did not do so and broke rule 14.3. It was not reasonably possible for 4787 to have avoided contact when it became clear that 6447 was not keeping clear and she did not break rule 14.	
Rules that Apply:	61.1(c)(4), 63.3(a), 10 and 14	
Decision:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. 6447 is not further penalised as she retired in acknowledgement of breaking a rule.	
Protest Committee:	James Sly, Maddie Commins and Rob Ware IJ (chairman)	
Chairman's Signature:	Rob Ware	
Decision Advised:	06 April 2018	