



ROYAL NEW ZEALAND YACHT SQUADRON

PROTEST HEARING DECISION

PROTESTOR	<i>Elliott 7 - 4</i>	REPRESENTED BY:	Brent Gribble
PROTESTED	<i>Elliott 7 - 10</i>	REPRESENTED BY:	Not represented
SERIES:	Elliot 7 Sprint Series	DIVISION:	
RACE NO & DATE:	Race 3, 3 February 2022	HEARING DATE:	1730 8 February 2022

VALIDITY/PROCEDURE:

- The protest was valid.
- No representative of **10** came to the hearing and the hearing proceeded under RRS 63.3(b).

FACTS FOUND:

- The wind was 15 knots.
- **10** on port and on a course to round the windward mark to port.
- **4** on starboard and on a contact course with **10**.
- **4** tacked to attempting to avoid contact with **10**.
- There was contact between the windward side of **4** and leeward side of **10**.
- There was no damage to either boat.
- No boat took a penalty and both boats finished the race.

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY:

- **10** on port failed to keep clear of **4** on starboard breaking RRS 10.
- It was not reasonably possible for **4** the right-of-way boat to avoid contact with **10** when it was clear that **10** was not keeping clear. **4** did not break RRS 14.

DECISION:

- *Elliott 7 10* is disqualified.

PROTEST COMMITTEE PANEL:

Louis Mayo (Chair), Doug Elder,
Decision 1900, 8 February 2022

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RESULTS CORRECTED

WEB UPDATE

DATABASE UPDATE