Case Decision

Décision du jury

As of THU 12 NOV 2026 at 11:13

CASE No. 4

Event: M Windsurfing	**Race:** 10
Initiator: ALG	**Respondent:** EGY

Protest details: Après le contournement de la première bouée, j'étais au près ; un Égyptien naviguait sur la même trajectoire, positionné au vent par rapport à moi, et il m'est rentré dedans.

Procedural matters:

1. ALG was represented by Youcef Guebli (athlete).
2. EGY was represented by Essam Siefeldin (athlete).
3. Moamen Sowilam (coach of EGY), Bouhadjiria Manan (coach of ALG) and Elizabeth Rouget (member of the International Jury) attended the hearing as observers.
4. Manel Chaib (member of the Race Committee) attended the hearing as interpreter for ALG.
5. During the hearing, the International Jury clarified, in accordance with RRS 63.2(c), that the hearing request was only a protest and not also a request for redress, and proceeded with it accordingly.
6. During the hearing, the International Jury clarified that the hearing request was about an incident in race 10 and not race 11.

Facts found:

1. After finishing race 12, ALG arrived ashore at 14:18.
2. ALG's athlete put the equipment back in the tent and looked for his coach because he did not know how to submit a hearing request.
3. Despite several reminders by the chair of the International Jury, ALG did not familiarise himself with the system of submitting a hearing request and did not have his login credentials.
4. ALG's athlete could not find his coach, so he approached the Technical Committee Chairman and asked for the Jury Room's location.
5. ALG's athlete arrived at the Jury Room and asked for help at 14:48.
6. Thereafter, ALG's athlete, with the help of a World Sailing official, downloaded the sailor application on the phone.
7. The protest time limit for Youth Men on 11 Nov 2026 was 15:04.
8. ALG submitted the hearing request on 11 Nov 2026 at 15:07.
9. There was no serious damage or injury.

Conclusion:

1. ALG failed to deliver the protest within the protest time limit, as required by RRS 60.3(b). There was no good reason for the International Jury to extend the time.

Rule(s) applicable:
RRS 60.3(b), 63.2(c), and 63.4(a)(1)

Decision:

The protest is invalid, the hearing is closed under RRS 63.4(a)(1).

Jury:
Patric Loydell (RSA), Finn Mrugalla (GER), Johanna Poksi (EST), Anastazja Lewandowska (POL), Vicky Chan (HKG)

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Signed: _____ Decision Issued: 11 NOV 2026 Time: 15:55

Patric Loydell, Chairman

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