

# **OBJECTIONS**

#### 10.12 Finish of the Race

#### If the race was not in order:

If the Race Umpire deems the race unfair, or if a crew has raised an objection, the Race Umpire shall raise the red flag.

If an objection has been raised by a crew(s), the Race Umpire shall speak to the affected crew(s) in order to understand the reasons for the objection.

The Race Umpire shall then inform the crews and the Judges at the Finish of their decision on the objection and record the time that the decision was conveyed to the crews. The Judges at the Finish, in such cases, must not announce the "official" result of the race. For more clarity, see Rule 10.13.

For Para Rowing Events (for visually impaired):

When raising the white flag, the Race Umpire will add the words "White Flag". When raising the red flag the Race Umpire will add the words "Red Flag".

## 10.13 Objections at the Finish

If a crew considers that the race was not in order, a member of the crew must raise their arm while still in the finish area to indicate that it is making an objection. The Race Umpire should verify that the crew intends to make an objection. In all cases where there is an objection, the Race Umpire shall hold up a red flag.

After considering the objection the Race Umpire may, allow the objection, not allow the objection, or, seek further information before making a decision.

10.13.1 If the Race Umpire allows the objection they should raise the red flag, and communicate the decision to any affected crew, the Judges at the Finish, and the Chief Umpire.

10.13.2 If the Race Umpire does not allow the objection, the Race Umpire shall ask the objecting crew, and, ask any affected crew, if any crews intend to protest the Race Umpire's decision. If a crew advises that it intends to protest, the Race Umpire will notify the Chief Judge of the Finish and the Chief Umpire of an impending protest and hold up the red flag.

In all cases, when communicating the decision to a crew the Race Umpire shall:

- a. Advise the crew that they have a right to make a protest,
- b. Inform the crew of the time,
- c. Advise that if they wish to protest they must do so within one hour, in writing, to the Chief Umpire, together with a deposit in Canadian currency in accordance with Rule 10.15.

In the event that no crew advises that it intends to protest the Race Umpire's decision, the Race Umpire shall nevertheless hold up the red flag and inform the Judges at the Finish and the Chief Umpire of the situation. The Chief Umpire will make the decision to announce or delay the announcement of the race results.

# **PROTESTS**

## 10.15 Protests

A protest must be made in writing to the Chief Umpire not later than one hour after the Race Umpire has communicated their ruling regarding the objection or, in the case of disputing the published results, one hour after the results have been published.

The following may lodge a protest:

- 1. A crew that has raised an objection on the race course or before leaving the finish area of the race course
- 2. A crew whose objection has been rejected
- 3. Crews affected by the acceptance of the objection
- 4. A crew disputing the published results, however any such dispute cannot be related to a matter which should have been raised by a crew as an objection

The protest shall be accompanied by deposit of \$150.00 CAD or the equivalent in a form acceptable to the organizing committee. The deposit shall be refunded if the protest is allowed.

The Board of the Jury shall decide if the protest was justified.

It will make its decision before the next round of races in the event concerned, and, in any case, no later than two hours after the last race of the day.

As a general rule, in the case of a protest concerning the final of an event, the victory ceremony of that event will be postponed until after the Board of the Jury has made its decision.

#### 10.16 The Outcome of the Protest

The Board of the Jury may:

- 1. Reject the protest;
- 2. Uphold the protest and provide such relief as may be necessary to restore each affected crew's chances in the race or to correct the published results. The relief available to be provided by the Board of the Jury is as follows:
  - i. Reprimand a crew;
- ii. Yellow Card:
- iii. Exclude a crew from the event;
- iv. Disqualify a crew;
- v. Relegate a crew to last place in the race where specifically
- vi. provided for in these Rules;
- vii. Order a re-row between some or all of the crews in the race

After application of the appropriate measure, if any, the Board of the Jury shall take any other appropriate measure to restore the chances of a crew that has suffered a disadvantage, including placement of the crew in the next round of racing.