

**Middle Harbour Yacht Club
J24 Australian Championship - 2020
AUS 796 Vortex v AUS 2638 Calypso**

Hearing at MHYC, on 3 January 2020 at 10:00 Hours.

Vortex was represented by: Chris Lee

Calypso was represented by: Matt Pearce

Witness for Vortex was: Matt Myles

Witness for Calypso was: Paul Donnelly

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Protest Committee members declared that they had no conflicts of interest.

FACTS FOUND

1. Race 2 was sailed in winds SE approximately 10kts.
2. Calypso on port tack, Vortex on starboard tack were on converging courses.
3. Vortex saw Calypso and hailed 'starboard' when boats were 1 boat length apart when Vortex appeared likely to collide with Calypso's midships.
4. Calypso did not respond to the hail.
5. Vortex tacked onto port to avoid collision at which point the boats were approx. ½ metre apart.

CONCLUSION AND RULES THAT APPLY

- A. **Calypso, on port tack did not keep clear of Vortex on Starboard. Calypso broke rule 10.**

DECISION

Calypso is disqualified in Race 2.

John Allan
Chairman

Protest Committee: John Allan NJ, Nicola Bethwaite, Kerry Burke