	5/22/15
Protest Form	Date and time received
SAILING also for requests for redress and reopenin	g Received by Filing no
Fill in and check as appropriate	Protest time limit W/C
1. EVENT SBYCLNS Organizing authority	Date Race no
2. TYPE OF HEARING Protest by boat against boat Protest by race committee against boat Protest by protest committee against boat	Request for redress by boat or race committee Consideration of redress by protest committee Request by boat or race committee to reopen hearing Consideration of reopening by protest committee
3. BOAT PROTESTING, OR REQUESTING REDRESS OR I	REOPENING Boat's name LIBRA SMEMAIL COW
4. BOAT(S) PROTESTED OR BEING CONSIDERED FOR R	REDRESS Boat's name HARD OF GOLD
	the Start Witness(es) Both Rosts Craw
6. INFORMING PROTESTEE How did you inform the protestee of By hailing When? By displaying a red flag When? By informing him/her in some other way Give details	of your intention to protest? Color DROTEST Word(s) used DROTEST
7. DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT (use another sheet if necessary)	Diagram: one square = one hull length Show positions of boats, wind and current direction, marks.
5-10-Sec. TO the Class F.	
START LIBER WAS OVERLAPPED	
Leward Going to the Start.	
LIBRA AND A CONTACT WITH	START KINE
HARD Of GOLD LEWARD (PORT) SIDE OF LOG, WINWARD /BOW	
SIDE OF LIBRA,	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
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LIBRA

THIS SIDE FOR PROTEST COMMITTEE USE Fill in and check as appropriate		F Race: 5 Filing: 1 with numbers: N/A		
No objection about interested party Written protest or request identifies incident 'Protest' hailed at first reasonable opportunity No hail needed; protestee informed at first reasonable Red flag conspicuously displayed at first reasonable opportu Protest or request valid; hearing will continue	☑ Yes, ☑ Yes ☐ unity ☑ Yes	bjections, declaration: GM and HO May26≂ race 5 MA ₹ Z Z est or request invalid; hearing is closed		
FACTS FOUND: 1) Northern Light (leeward) and Heart of Gold (windward) were overlapped on starboard tack, close hauled, approaching the starting line to start with 8 ft of lateral separation between them and sailing below hull speed. 2) Libra, on starboard tack, sailing a lower course and a knot faster than Heart of Gold was clear astern of Heart of Gold 10 seconds before the start. 3) Libra changed her course to windward, slightly higher than Heart of Gold, and overlapped her to leeward with three feet of lateral separation. 4) With 7 seconds remaining before the start, there was contact between Libra and Heart of Gold. 5) Contact was on the port side of Heart of Gold, 2.5 feet forward of her aftmost point, and on the starboard side of Libra, 1.5 feet aft of her foremost point. 6) There was no damage or injury to either boat. 7) No boat took a penalty.				
☐ Diagram of boat endorsed by	committee.	Committee's diagram is attached.		
CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY: 1) Initially, Heart of Gold and Libra were on the same tack and clear ahead/ clear astern. Libra kept clear as required by rule 12. 2) Libra established an overlap to leeward of Heart of Gold which required Heart of Gold to keep clear, which she failed to do and broke rule 11. 3) When Libra established the overlap, right of way changed to her from Heart of Gold. With three feet of lateral separation (decreasing) and contact in three seconds, Heart of Gold did not initially have the space to maneuver to keep clear. After Libra acquired right of way, she failed to give Heart of Gold room to keep clear and broke rule 15. 4) As a consequence of Libra breaking rule 15, Heat of Gold was compelled to break rule 11 and is exonerated as required by rule 64.1(a). 5) It was not reasonably possible for Heart of Gold to avoid contact; she did not break rule 14. 6) It was possible for Libra to avoid contact, however since she was the right of way boat and there was no damage or injury she is exonerated as required by rule 14(b).				
DECISION: Boat Libra broke rule 15 and		ed from race 5 I as follows		
Redress: not given given as follows: Request to reopen a hearing: denied granted PROTEST COMMITTEE: Members: Greg Meagher (Chair), John Super, Hans Ops	sahi Mike Gross	Written decision requested		
Chairman's signature Greg Meagher (electronic) Date and Time 5/28/2015 2050 hrs		When By whom Date provided		

