

Quiz 22

Boats W (a windward boat) and L (a leeward boat) are reaching towards the gybe mark on converging courses. L becomes overlapped with W from clear astern within two of her lengths of W. They are both sailing proper courses and are on a collision course. As they near each other, W hails, "You came from clear astern and I'm on my proper course." L replies, "I'm on my proper course." W's boom then touches L with no damage or injury and both protest. You are on the protest committee; how would you decide this?

