

Answer to Scenario 4 – Damage

Boat P is disqualified under [rules 10, On Opposite Tacks](#), and [14, Avoiding Contact](#). S is granted redress under [rule 64.2, Decisions on Redress](#). By colliding with S, P fails to keep clear of S thereby breaking rule 10; and fails to avoid a collision thereby breaking rule 14. Furthermore, the collision causes serious damage to S. Therefore, her penalty is to retire (see [rule 44.1, Taking a Penalty](#)); i.e., the Two-Turns Penalty is not available when the rules breach causes serious damage. Because P does not retire, she has not taken her penalty; therefore, she is disqualified.

Clearly, S could not have reasonably avoided this collision; therefore, she does not break rule 14. And because S's finishing place in the race is made significantly worse by the physical damage caused by P, a boat that was breaking a rule of Part 2, and because the collision occurs through no fault of her own, S is entitled to redress under rule 62.1(b), Redress, and rule 64.2.