



4 HOURS OF IMOLA



EUROPEAN LE MANS SERIES 4 Hours of Imola 2nd July - 7th July 2024

Decision No. 31

From: The Stewards

Date: 24 July 2024

To: PANIS RACING

Time (decision): 13:41 h

Description: The Stewards have received a petition from Car 65, Panis Racing for them to review, in accordance with Article 14.1.1 of the FIA International Sporting Code, decision 29 made by them at the third round of the European Le Mans Series at Imola on the 7th of July 2024. The Stewards, having examined the evidence provided by the competitor, summoned and heard the team representatives, (summons No. 11), have determined the following:

N° / Competitor 65 / PANIS RACING

Session: Post Race

Reference: Article 14.1.1 of FIA International Sporting Code.

Decision: There is a significant and relevant new element which was unavailable to the parties seeking the review at the time of the decision concerned. Decision No. 29 from the third round of the European Le Mans Series at Imola on the 7th of July 2024, is overturned and the Drive Through converted into time penalty of 35 seconds to be added to the total race time and 1 point deducted, will be removed from the final result. The Competitor will have the right of review deposit of 3.300EUR returned.

Reason:

The Panel of Stewards oversees compliance with speeds and procedures imposed under Full Course Yellow (Article 14.5.1 of the Series Sporting Regulations (SR)) based on reports from the Technical Delegate, who provides an analysis based on data recorded by the official Data Logger of the car (Article 6.3.1 of the SR) retrieved after each pit stop. The Panel of Stewards rendered decision No. 29 on the 7th July 2024 at 19:04 based on an infringement report received from the Technical Delegate at 16:42. The post-race Parc Fermé release was announced at 18:33 by the Race Director via the Series' official messaging system. The time between the opening of Parc Fermé and the publication of the decision did not allow the Competitor, in the absence of an official opportunity to present their defense, to extract the data presented in their request for the right of review. These therefore constitute new elements that were not available to either the Competitor or the Panel of Stewards when decision No. 29 was made.

The data presented by the Competitor are extracted from a data logger not included in the list of mandatory elements for control purposes (Article 6.3.1 of the SR).

However, "the Stewards may use any video or electronic system likely to assist them in reaching a decision" (Article 11.9.3.x of the International Sporting Code (ISC)). The nature of the data communicated by the Competitor in their request for the right of review is therefore deemed admissible.

The data extracted from the Competitor's data logger indicate an anticipation time that is significantly lower than the one indicated by the official data logger; the same indication can be found when looking at the speed recorded by the Competitor's data logger and by the official data logger.

The difference between measurements, led to an in-depth reexamination of the data, by the technical delegate. This reexamination showed potential margins for small offsets, specific to car 65. This gives the Stewards reasonable doubt about the alleged infringement that the competitor was penalized for in decision No. 29. Due to this specific case of offsets in the data, and in relation to the nature of the alleged infringement, the stewards are unable to fully prove the alleged infringement.

The Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards, in accordance with Art. 15 of the FIA International Sporting Code, within the applicable time limits.



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