
Date:	22 January 2022	Time:	21:00 hrs
Subject:	STEWARDS DECISION NO. 14	Document No:	2.15

To: The Competitor HYUNDAI SHELL MOBIS WORLD RALLY TEAM of car No. 11
Crew THIERRY NEUVILLE / MARTIJN WYDAEGHE

The Stewards, having become aware that the crew of car No.11 left the Tyre Fitting Zone (TFZ) and drove to TC11D using the internal combustion engine in a HEV zone, summoned the above crew members as well as competitor's representatives, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

Facts Car No.11 left Tyre Fitting Zone (TFZ) and drove to TC11D Digne-les-Bains using the internal combustion engine in a HEV zone on Saturday, 22 January 2022

Offence Breach of 2022 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations Art. 34.1.7 and Supplementary Regulations Art. 12.10

Decision **REPRIMAND**

Reason The Stewards heard from the competitor's representative, Pablo Marcos, Sporting Director at 18.00hrs on Saturday, 22 January 2022 in the Stewards Room and from the FIA Technical Delegate, Jérôme Toquet, by telephone. Mr Marcos called his engineering colleague, who was at the TFZ, to find out why the car had not left the area using hybrid power as indicated in Road Book 2, page 62, box 1. The engineer stated that the car would not engage immediately and required a power cycle to engage the EV mode. This takes around 45 seconds and they were tight for time to get to TC11D without incurring a penalty. Once at the time control, the crew did perform a power cycle and drove into the Tyre Marking Zone on hybrid power. Mr Toquet told the Stewards that the technicians were working on car No.11 till the last available minute of the TFZ to affect repairs to the car's damper. Mr Toquet also shared a video of the car leaving the TFZ bay and driving to the time control. The crew of car No.11 were due at the time control at 13.32. The WRC timing system shows that they checked-in to TC11D at 13h32min41s, meaning they had less than 18 seconds to spare before they would receive a time penalty. HEV Zones are a new feature of 2022 FIA World Rally Championship. The Stewards recognise that competitors have to change their procedures about leaving control zones or service areas under hybrid propulsion. The Stewards decide that the crew of car No.11, THIERRY NEUVILLE / MARTIJN WYDAEGHE did not leave sufficient time to power cycle their hybrid unit and still reach TC11D on time.

Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards, in accordance with Article 15 of the FIA International Sporting Code and Chapter 4 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules.



Iain Campbell
The Stewards



Mathieu Remmerie



Eric Barrabino

This decision was notified by email to the Competitor's officially nominated representative as below:

<i>Name (in block letters):</i> PABLO MARCOS	<i>Date:</i> 22/01/2022
<i>Position within the team:</i> TEAM MANAGER	<i>Time:</i> 21:05

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