

# Rally Dakar 2022

30. December 2021 - 14. January 2022



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Time: **18.20 hrs**

Subject: **STEWARDS DECISION N° 2**

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From: *The Stewards*

To: **OVERDRIVE RACING**, Rue de l'entreprise 1, 4530 Villers le Bouillet (Belgium)

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The Stewards, having received a report from the FIA Technical Delegate, and after hearing the representative from Overdrive Racing, have considered the following matter, determine the following:

### **To Overdrive Racing being considered participant in Rally Dakar 2022:**

- (1) Art. 1.3 of the FIA International Sporting Code (the Code) is clear in stating that any person, or group of persons, organising a Competition or taking part therein:
  - Shall be deemed to be acquainted with the statutes and regulations of the FIA and the national regulations.
  - Shall undertake to submit themselves without reserve to the above and to the decisions of the sporting authority and to the consequences resulting therefrom.
- (2) Art. 1.1.2 of the Cross Country Rally Sporting Regulations determines that any suppliers connected with competitive cars are **considered to be rally participants in accordance with Article 1.3 of the Code**, and as such must adhere to the obligations imposed on them, and abide by the decisions of the sporting authority.
- (3) Overdrive Racing is renting and/or selling the cars of cars numbers 222, 237, 240, 213, 217, 205, 229 and 215.
- (4) The Stewards conclude that, according to the Code and the applicable regulations, Overdrive Racing must be considered as participant of *Rally Dakar 2022*. **Thus, Overdrive Racing is under the jurisdiction of the Stewards.**

**Fact:** No Accident Data Recorder (ADR) has been installed in above listed cars.

**Offence:** Breach of the article 13.2 of 2022 FIA Cross-Country Rally Sporting Regulation.

**Decision:** **To impose a fine of 10000 € to Overdrive Racing**, which is suspended during the FIA World Rally-Raid Championship 2022, subject to no other missing ADR during this period in following cars with FIA Technical Passport numbers:

TT-22-096  
TT-22-093  
TT-19-837  
TT-20-886  
TT-22-090  
TT-20-884  
TT-21-017  
TT-19-836

**Reason:** The Overdrive representative explained that they purchased the ADRs from Motec, as this must to be linked to the electronics of the car. But due to Core parts availability Issues, Motec could not deliver the units as per their agreed time line. He proved this by submitting documents to the stewards supporting this statements.

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According to the article 13.2 of 2022 FIA Cross-Country Rally Sporting Regulation, an Accident Data Recorder (ADR) complying with FIA Standard 8872-2018 "Accident Data Recorder" (listed in Technical List no. 88) must be installed in T1 cars manufactured from 2016 that participate in any Championship event. The ADR must be installed in accordance with the FIA ADR Installation Specification and manufacturer user's manual.

The Steward understand that the ADR is useful to collect data in case of accident but it does not give an additional protection to the crews, and they do hence not consider the infringement of the above driver as a major infringement of the safety regulations which would, like in most other cases, give rise to a more severe sanction than the one imposed here.

The Stewards finally conclude that there is a breach of the regulations and that a fine is necessary but sufficient for the reasons set out here.

Due to the shortage on electronic supplies and difficulties in deliveries, the stewards accepted the excuse from Overdrive Racing and therefore they suspended the fine.

The decision is based on the FIA International Sporting Code Art. 11.9.1, Art. 11.9.3 f; Art. 12.3.1, Art. 12.4.1.c. and Art. 12.4.6.

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 Article 9.1.1 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules, within the applicable time limits.

**Uwe M. SCHMIDT**  
FIA Chairman of the Stewards

**Jordi PARRO**  
FIA Steward

**Ahmad JAN**  
ASN Steward

This decision was notified via SPORTITY to the competitor representative as below:

<i>Name in block letters</i>	<b>Jordi Duran</b>	Date	<b>31.12.2021</b>
<i>Position in the team</i>	<b>Overdrive Racing Representative</b>	Time	<b>18.30 hrs</b>

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