



FIA ANTI-DOPING DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

Mr Liam TALBOT – Decision notified on 14.11.2016

Mr Liam TALBOT (AUS), who participated the 2015 Total 24 Hours of Spa in Belgium (Blancpain International Series) on 21-26 July 2015 (the Event), received two IVs of 250ml of sodium chloride, one on each of 23 and 25 July 2015 (listed as Prohibited Method under section M2.2 "Intravenous infusions and/or injections of more than 50 mL per 6 hour period except for those legitimately received in the course of hospital admissions, surgical procedures or clinical investigations" of the WADA 2015 Prohibited List).

The FIA Anti-Doping Disciplinary Committee (ADC) held a closed hearing on this case via telephone conference on 3 November 2016.

Decision of the ADC

The ADC has concluded that an Anti-Doping Rule Violation according to Article 2.2 of the 2015 FIA Anti-Doping Regulations – "Use or Attempted Use by an Athlete of a Prohibited Substance or a Prohibited Method" – has been established.

As a consequence, the ADC has decided to impose the following sanctions on Mr Liam TALBOT:

1. A one-year period of ineligibility starting on 25 July 2015 pursuant to FIA ADR Article 10.11.1, and expiring on midnight on 24 July 2016.
2. In accordance with FIA ADR Article 10.1, all competitive results obtained by Mr Liam TALBOT at the Event shall be disqualified, with all resulting consequences, including forfeiture of any trophies, medals, points and prizes.
3. Given the nature of the violation, that Mr Liam TALBOT's teammates were not implicated, and that the IVs would only have restored his health, and not given any performance advantage, the results obtained by Mr Liam TALBOT's team at the Event shall not be disqualified under FIA ADR Article 11.2.
4. In addition, there shall be no disqualification of any competitive results obtained by Mr Liam TALBOT in races subsequent to the Event under FIA ADR Articles 10.8 or 10.11.1, because in the circumstances of this case fairness requires otherwise.