

2018 RUSSIAN GRAND PRIX

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| From | The Stewards | Document | 27 |
| To | The Team Manager, Aston Martin Red Bull Racing | Date | 29 September 2018 |
| | | Time | 17:43 |

The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, summoned (document 25) and heard from the driver and team representative, have considered the following matter and hereby determine the following:

No / Driver 33 - Max Verstappen

Competitor Aston Martin Red Bull Racing

Time 15:18

Session Qualifying

Fact Failing to slow for a single waved yellow flag.

Offence Breach of Appendix H, Article 2.4.5.1 b) of the FIA International Sporting Code.

Decision Drop of 3 grid positions.
(2 penalty points awarded, 7 points total for the 12 month period to date).

Reason The Stewards reviewed video and telemetry evidence, heard from the driver of car 33 (Max Verstappen) and the team representative.

The driver admitted seeing the yellow flag and stated that he steered to the left to avoid the stationary car (number 35). However, the regulation is very clear and states 'It must be evident that a driver has reduced speed'. The telemetry showed that the driver maintained full throttle and did not apply any braking.

In his defense the driver expressed the view that he felt he had acted safely.

The Stewards noted that the driver understood the error in not slowing and acknowledged that in future he will comply with the regulations. However in view of the emphasis now placed on compliance with yellow flag regulations, in the interests of safety, the Stewards have applied the usual penalty for this offense.

Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal the decisions of the Stewards (with the exception of those referred to in Article 12.2.4 of the FIA International Sporting Code), 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.

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