

## 2018 BRAZILIAN GRAND PRIX

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The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, summoned (documents 36 & 37) and heard the drivers and team representatives, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

**No / Driver** 33 - Max Verstappen

**Competitor** Aston Martin Red Bull Racing

**Time** 16:46

**Session** Race

**Fact** The driver of car 33 made deliberate physical contact with the driver of car 31 in the FIA Garage.

**Offence** Breach of Article 12.1.1 c) of the FIA International Sporting Code.

**Decision** The Driver is required to perform two (2) days of public service at the direction of the FIA within six months of the incident. (Penalty under Art. 12.3.1.c of the FIA International Sporting Code).

**Reason** The Stewards reviewed video evidence from the FIA's CCTV Cameras and heard from the driver of car 33 (Max Verstappen), the driver of car 31 (Esteban Ocon) and the team representatives.

The driver, Max Verstappen entered the FIA Weigh Bridge Garage, proceeded directly to Driver Esteban Ocon and following a few words, started an altercation, pushing or hitting Ocon forcefully several times in the chest.

The Stewards held a hearing, in which both drivers acted appropriately and cooperated with the Stewards. The Stewards understood from Max Verstappen that he was extremely upset by the incident on track during the race and accepted his explanation that it was not his original intent to strike Ocon, but that he was "triggered" and caused him to lose his temper.

While sympathetic to Verstappen's passion, the Stewards determined that it is the obligation of sportsmen at this level to act appropriately and as role models to other drivers at all levels and found that Verstappen failed in this respect.

The Stewards therefore ordered that Max Verstappen is required to perform two (2) days of public service at the direction of the FIA within six months of the incident. (Penalty under Art. 12.3.1.c of the FIA International Sporting Code.)

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.

**Tim Mayer**

**Silvia Bellot**

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**Felipe Giaffone**

**The Stewards**