

2022 IMOLA EVENT

21 to 24 April 2022

From	The Stewards	Document	51
To	The Team Manager, Campos Racing	Date	24 April 2022
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The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

No / Driver 14 - Olli Caldwell

Competitor Campos Racing

Time 10:09

Session Race 2

Fact Car 14 entered the pit lane for his second reconnaissance lap prior to the Feature Race and nearly made contact with the tyre trolley and Mechanic of DAMS.

Offence Breach of Article 12.2.1.h of the FIA International Sporting Code.

Decision A drop of 3 places on the grid for the next race in which the driver participates. In addition, 1 point is to be added to the driver's record. Total for the 2022 season = 9 points.

Reason The Stewards examined video evidence. They summoned and heard the driver and team representatives of Campos & DAMS (documents 39 & 40).

The Driver explained that his team decided to complete two reconnaissance laps and they knew that on the second time through the pit lane they would be tight for time to get to pit exit before it closed.

The Driver explained that when he entered the fast lane of the pit for the second time he was surprised to see the amount of people and equipment blocking the lane. The Driver maintained that he had priority in the fast lane, that he stayed below the pit lane speed limit and that the mechanics should not have been blocking his way.

As he approached the DAMS trolley, he swerved to the right, narrowly missing the DAMS mechanic who was pushing the rear of the tyre trolley, who had to jump out of the way. The Driver said that he lifted the throttle and he applied the brakes but he did not want to be overly delayed and be stuck in the pit.

The Stewards having considered the explanation given are of the opinion that the Driver could have and should have done more to avoid making the situation worse. The Stewards do recognise that while pit lane is open mechanics must avoid vehicles in the fast lane and bear some responsibility for this as well.

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, within the applicable time limits.

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