

2023 MELBOURNE EVENT

30 March to 2 April 2023

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The Stewards, having observed an incident in the Pit Lane during the session have considered the following matter and determine the following:

No / Driver 9 - Nikola Tsolov

Competitor ART Grand Prix

Time 09:14

Session Practice

Fact A team member attached the battery booster pack to assist in the restart of Car 9 (Tsolov) while it was in the fast lane.

Offence Breach of Article 28.4 of the FIA Formula 3 Sporting Regulations - working on the Car in the fast lane.

Decision A fine of 500 Euros to be paid by the Team. In accordance with Article 12.8.1 of the ISC, fines shall be paid within forty-eight hours of their notification by means of bank transfer to the FIA.

Reason The Stewards examined video evidence. They summoned (Document 8) and heard the driver and team representative. Having considered the matter extensively, the Stewards determined that Car 11 (Boya) stalled at the restart of the session while leaving his pit position blocking the fast lane, causing the remaining cars to stop in the fast lane. Car 11 was pushed back into the inner lane, therefore clearing the fast lane. Car 9 was the second in line, it stopped in the fast lane and stalled after the lane was cleared. Team members went to assist Car 9 in the fast lane and one team member was carrying a booster battery pack. The team member connected the battery pack and attempted to assist the driver to restart the car while in the fast lane hindering other cars attempting to leave the pit lane. After some delay the team then pushed the car into the inner lane where it was successfully restarted.

It is not permitted to work on a car while in the fast lane (2023 FIA F3 Sporting Regulations Article 28.4), and as such no equipment should be taken into the fast lane.

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.

The Stewards