

2023 SPIELBERG EVENT

29 June to 2 July 2023

From	The Stewards	Document	41
To	The Team Manager, Campos Racing	Date	01 July 2023
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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 24 - Kush Maini

Competitor Campos Racing

Time 14:16

Session Race 1

Fact Car 24 (Maini) forced Car 4 (Fittipaldi) off track between Turn 3 and Turn 4 at 14:16 during Race 1.

Infringement Breach of Appendix L Chapter IV, Article 2 (b) of the FIA International Sporting Code.

Decision Drive through penalty converted to a 20 second time penalty in accordance with Article 39.3 of the FIA F2 Sporting Regulations. In addition, 3 penalty points are to be added to the driver's record. Total for the 2023 season = 4 points.

Reason The Stewards examined video evidence. They summoned and heard the drivers and team representatives (documents 29 & 30).

Car 24 exited Turn 3 with Car 4 behind and to his right. Car 4 attempted an overtake on the right. Car 24 was aware of Car 4 who had already gained overlap in the overtake, as Car 24 moved to the right to try and block the overtake. Car 24 said he intended to leave Car 4 room on his right but admitted his mistake in not leaving the intended amount. While direct contact never happened, ultimately Car 4 was almost fully alongside as, in an attempt to avoid contact with Car 24, he was forced onto the wet grass at more than 220 kph with only about one third of his car on the racing surface. As a result, he was unable to control the car and ultimately spun and retired from the race.

The Stewards note with concern the magnitude of the error on the part of Car 24 which created a dangerous situation that could easily have ended in a much bigger accident. The relative severity of the penalty and the additional penalty point reflect that concern.

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