

## 2023 SPIELBERG EVENT

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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** 26 - Nikita Bedrin

**Competitor** Jenzer Motorsport

**Time** 10:36

**Session** Race 1

**Fact** Car 26 (Bedrin) failed to leave the required car width when moving back towards the racing line.

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

**Decision** Reprimand

**Reason** The Stewards examined video evidence. They summoned and heard the drivers and team representatives (documents (57 & 58)). Car 26 took an inside line on the approach to Turn 4 directly in front of Car 4 (Fornaroli) against whom he was defending. This created an opening on the outside that allowed Car 9 (Tsolov) to pull alongside Car 4. Having a clear path and the preferred line, Car 9 elected to brake late. Car 26 moved to the outside late in the braking zone placing his car in front of Car 9 who was already fully committed to his manoeuvre. Car 9 had minor contact with the rear of Car 26 and both cars continued without change of position.

The driver of Car 26 stated that he felt entitled to move back to the racing line since there was no overlap with Car 9 and that he was surprised by Car 9's late braking. The driver of Car 9 said he was surprised by the late change of direction by Car 26. The rule is clear that a driver who defends his position off line must leave at least one car width when moving back towards the racing line. The stewards determine that the driver of Car 9 is justified in expecting Car 26 to comply with this rule. Furthermore, a driver on the inside line should not be surprised by a driver on the preferred line choosing to brake late. The stewards determine that the driver of Car 26 failed to leave the required car width when moving back towards the racing line. Having considered the matter extensively, the stewards elect to issue a reprimand to the driver of Car 26.

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.

**Steve Pence**

**Natalie Corsmit**

**Eva Maria Gruber**

**The Stewards**