

## 2023 MONZA EVENT

31 August to 3 September

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<b>To</b>	The Team Manager, PHM Racing by Charouz	<b>Date</b>	02 September 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** 31 - Woohyun Shin

**Competitor** PHM Racing by Charouz

**Time** 09:34

**Session** Race 1

**Fact** Car 31 (Shin) was detected travelling at a speed of 79.4km/h in the pit lane.

**Infringement** Breach of Article 22.9 of the 2023 FIA F3 Sporting Regulations.

**Decision** A drop of 5 places on the grid for the next race in which the driver participates.

**Reason** The Stewards examined video evidence. They summoned and heard the Driver of Car 31 and the team representative (document 61).

The driver explained that he had a hydraulic issue with his Car and returned to the pit lane and his car was retired from the race. The Car was in 5<sup>th</sup> gear and there was no way to shift gear nor was the clutch operational. This explanation was consistent with a report the Stewards had received from the Race Director that fluid was seen to be leaking from Car 31 shortly before it entered the pit lane. The driver explained that he attempted to enter the pit lane at the lowest speed he believed was possible without risking the car stalling in the fast lane. The team representative explained that the speed limiter will not activate when the car is in 5<sup>th</sup> gear and there is no speedometer on the driver's dash screen. The team representative did not contest the recorded speed of 79.4 km/h.

Having considered the matter extensively, the stewards determined that Car 31 entered the pit lane at a speed significantly excess of the 60km/h speed limit. The Stewards accept the explanation from the driver and the team as to the circumstances of the infringement and understand the difficulties which the driver was attempting to deal with, but it does not excuse the breach. The pit lane speed limit is imposed for the safety of persons in the pit lane. Had Car 31 not retired from the race, the Stewards would have imposed a 10 second Stop & Go penalty, but because Car 31 retired from the race the Stewards impose the grid place penalty in accordance with Article 39.3 of the FIA F3 Sporting Regulations.

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.

**Andrew Mallalieu**

**Matt Selley**

**Alice Scutellà**

**The Stewards**