

## 2020 TUSCAN GRAND PRIX

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<b>To</b>	The Team Manager, BWT Racing Point F1 Team	<b>Date</b>	11 September 2020
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The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, summoned (document 14) and heard from the driver and team representative, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

**No / Driver** 11 - Sergio Perez

**Competitor** BWT Racing Point F1 Team

**Time** 16:11

**Session** Practice 2

**Fact** Caused a collision with car 7 in turn 1.

**Offence** Breach of Article 2 d) of Chapter IV Appendix L of the FIA International Sporting Code.

**Decision** Drop of 1 grid position  
(1 penalty points imposed, total of 2 points in the 12-month period).

**Reason** The Stewards heard from the driver of Car 11 (Sergio Perez) and team representative and have reviewed video evidence and radio transmissions.

The Driver of Car 11 was warned by his team of the approach of Car 7 and Car 23 as he was leaving the Pit Exit, there was a blue flag waved at him prior to Turn 1 and it was apparent that he saw Car 7 in his mirrors.

The Driver argued that the Pit Exit is extremely long and he had reached a high speed by the time he was passed by Car 7 and that he was unable to take a different approach to the turn.

In deciding penalty, the Stewards considered other similar incidents in Free Practice, including BOT (Abu Dhabi 2019 - Reprimand) and VET (Bahrain 2015 - NFA). We consider there is some merit in mitigating penalty and therefore reduce the normal penalty for an offence of this type from 3 grid positions to 1, noting that a grid penalty is appropriate as Car 11 was exiting the pits, whereas Car 7 was on a fast lap and therefore the driver of Car 11 was wholly to blame.

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 Article 10.1.1 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules, within the applicable time limits.

**Garry Connelly**

**Mika Salo**

**The Stewards**

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**Matteo Perini**