

## 2021 RUSSIAN GRAND PRIX

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The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, summoned (document 48) and heard from the driver and team representative, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

**No / Driver** 4 - Lando Norris

**Competitor** McLaren F1 Team

**Time** 16:31

**Session** Race

**Fact** Crossing of the painted area between the Pit Entry and the track by Car 4.

**Offence** Breach of Article 12.2.1 i of the FIA International Sporting Code and Article 20.4 of the Race Directors Event Notes.

**Decision** Reprimand (Driving).  
This is the first Reprimand for the driver for the season.

**Reason** The Stewards heard from the driver of Car 4 (Lando Norris) and team representative, reviewed the video, radio and telemetry evidence and determined that a breach of the regulations had been committed. This was not considered as force majeure because it does not comply with the definition of force majeure in Article 20 of the FIA International Sporting Code.

However, the Stewards took into account that on the previous lap the driver of Car 4 had passed through Turn 17 (adjacent to the Pit Entry) at a relatively high speed, without loss of control. During the ensuing lap, the conditions deteriorated rapidly and were varied in different parts of the circuit. The driver slowed considerably on entering the Pit Entry, with his speed approximately half of his normal pit entry speed, but still lost control and slid across the painted area between the Pit Entry and the track.

Although obviously the driver chose to remain out on the track on hard compound slick tyres when others chose to change to Intermediates, and therefore sought to gain an advantage in retaining his race position, we do not consider that the crossing of the painted area was intentional or predictable in the circumstances.

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.

**Garry Connelly**

**Enrique Bernoldi**

**The Stewards**

**Mathieu Remmerie**

**George Andreev**