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TO: Teams Manufacturers

CATEGORY: Hypercar LMP2 LMGTE Am

DECISION N°: WEC_2023_D0022_All_Pit_stop_position

DATE: 08/02/2023 FROM: The WEC Committee

SUBJECT: Positioning of the car in the pit lane during a pit stop

APPLICABLE REGULATION

Article 12.2.2 2023 FIA World Endurance Championship Sporting Regulations

DECISION

12.2.2 Pit stop procedure

a) Arrival of the car in the working area

Only one person, the car controller, is responsible for stopping the car safely (parallel and at 50 cm from the 2.5 m line) in its working area and for safety throughout the length of the pit stop.

This person must be in the working area before the car stops. This person must remain in the pit lane throughout the stop and supervise but may perform no other function.

Positioning of the car

For operating a pit stop, the car must stop in its dedicated stopping area.

The dedicated stopping area is defined as per the following drawing:
When the car is stopped in its dedicated stopping area, no part of the car must cover the lateral tape defining the area in top view.

b) Driver change

A driver change may be carried out at any time during a pit stop, under the condition that the car is properly stopped parallel to the 2.5 m line, engine off, in its dedicated stopping working area. Drivers may not take part in any intervention other than that directly related to the driver change. The driver help must be administered either:
- by a driver of the crew concerned (who will then assume the exclusive role of driver help)
- by a dedicated person (who will then assume the exclusive role of driver help)
- by one or more persons, wearing the appropriate armband, authorised in the working area.

The use of tools is not allowed.

c) Refuelling

During all the sessions and the race, refuelling is authorised at the beginning of a pit stop and exclusively in the stopping working area, unless the car has entered the garage for repairs, in which case the refuelling can be done at the end of the pit stop, only in the stopping working area.

A refueller can intervene only to put fuel into the car and only when:
- The car is resting on its wheels
- The engine is off
- The car has been grounded
- The deadman valve attendant is in position and operating the valve
- The fire extinguisher attendant is equipped with an extinguisher

A maximum of four persons, wearing the appropriate armbands, may do the following operations:
- Ground the car
- Manual cleaning of the car
- Visual checks of tyres / brakes
under the condition that no bodywork panel and no part of any sort is removed from the car or brought into the working area.

Tools are not allowed during the refuelling phase.

A maximum of two industry representatives and/or technicians, wearing the appropriate armband, are permitted to check the tyres and/or the brakes but may not perform any other function. The measurement of tyre temperatures and pressures is allowed in free practices (with manual tools only).

During racing at night, it will be allowed to bring a torch to check the tyres/brakes as long as its use does not put other Competitors in danger.

Only the person(s) mentioned above are authorised in the working area.

PERIOD OF VALIDITY/APPLICATION OF THE DECISION

This decision comes into effect:
- with immediate application
- from:

And is applicable:
- until further notice
- for the mentioned event(s) only

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