



2025 BARCELONA EVENT

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To	The Team Manager, ART Grand Prix	Date	30 May 2025
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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 7 - Laurens van Hoepen

Competitor ART Grand Prix

Time 15:11

Session Qualifying

Fact Unsafe Release of Car 7 at 15:11.

Infringement Breach of Article 28.12 (a) of the FIA Formula 3 Sporting Regulations.

Decision A fine of 500 Euros to be paid by the Team. In accordance with Article 12.8.1 of the ISC, fines shall be paid within forty-eight hours of their notification by means of bank transfer to the FIA.

Reason The Stewards summoned and heard the drivers and team representatives (Documents 12 & 13) and examined video evidence.

At 15:11, Car 7 was released into the fast lane by its mechanic at a moment when Car 30 was already approaching in that lane. According to Article 28.12 (a) of the 2025 FIA Formula 3 Sporting Regulations, cars must not be released from their garage or pit stop position in a manner that could endanger pit lane personnel or another driver.

The Team Manager explained that the intended plan was to release Car 7 safely into the gap following Car 30. However, a miscommunication occurred, and the mechanic released Car 7 prematurely, directly ahead of Car 30. Car 30 had to brake to avoid a collision. Upon recognising the unsafe release, the driver of Car 7 immediately moved back to the right, towards the inner lane, allowing Car 30 to pass safely.

Both drivers and the Team Managers confirmed that there was no collision or damage as a result of this incident.

In accordance with established precedent, the Stewards consider that a monetary penalty directed at the Team is suitable and proportionate. Therefore, the Team is fined 500 Euros.

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.

The Stewards