

GRAND PRIX OF SINGAPORE
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To	Driver(s) mentioned below	Date	24/11/2021
		Time	22:15

The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, after consulting with him, they have considered the following matter and determine the following:

No / Driver	58 - Stefano Pescosolido
Competitor	Ferrari
Time	22:50
Session	Race
Fact	The driver of Car 58 made contact with Car 27, at Turn 4 during Lap 28.
Offence	Breach of Article 17.2 of the ATOM F1 2021 Regulations Alleged breach of Article 17.14 of the ATOM F1 2021 Regulations
Decision	Reprimand (This is the 1st reprimand of the season for the Driver)
Reason	The Stewards did extensively consider the incident with all the video evidence at their disposal, and even tried to hear from the drivers, without any response, if not by Driver of Car 27 (Fontana).

Upon this report, in the opinion of The Stewards, this was one of the most complex situations to judge. The Driver of Car 58 was on the outside of Turn 4 flanking Car 27, however in a fraction of a second an incident happened a few meters ahead (Stewards' Doc. no. 5), and Car 19 started a spin towards the right. The Car 27 had its line blocked by Car 19 while Car 58 was attempting to overtake on the left. The Car 58 did take a tight line, touching Car 27 and its Driver lost control of the car, spinning and stopping on the track.

Article 17.2 states: "Drivers must make every reasonable effort to use the track at all times [...]". Although the Car 58 could have slightly widened the line towards the outside of the curve, its Driver did not have enough time to react to the crash ahead (the one involving Car 19). Anyhow, The Stewards surely never spotted any intentionality in the maneuver made by Car 58, which for

sure would have resulted in a disqualification under Article 32.2.8 of The Code.

The Driver of Car 27 while recognizing the accident in front of him, seen the telemetry shown in the video evidence (which shows a fairly low usage of the brakes), in the judgement of The Stewards did not try to avoid contact as best as he could.

Reviewing the evidences, considering the (short) reaction times, the space available in the circuit and the “hard” circumstance, The Stewards judge that the Driver of Car 58 shall not be harshly sanctioned, and judge sufficient the penalty of a Reprimand (Article 32.2.1) instead of a Warning (Article 32.2.2) or any severer other, which would have implied an accretion of Penalty Points on the Driver’s Super Licence.

Nonetheless, The Stewards care about underlining that Car 58 Driver’s behavior is an almost perfect example of lacking the necessary reaction time, should any other situation like this recure in the future.

Finally, seen that the other driver (Pescosolido) didn’t reply to the summon in the attempt of obtaining further clarifications, The Stewards impose this reprimand under Article 32.2.1 of the Code.

Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards, in accordance with articles 32.8 and 32.9 of the ATOM F1 2021 Regulations, within 7 days. Penalties given in the race are not subject to appeal (Article 32.10, issue 3 of the Code).

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