

## **2020 PORTUGUESE GRAND PRIX**

## 22 to 25 October

From The Stewards Document 41

To The Team Manager, Date 24 October 2020 BWT Racing Point F1 Team

Time 17:39

The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, summoned (documents 36 and 37) and heard from the drivers and team representatives, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

No / Driver 11 - Sergio Perez

**Competitor** BWT Racing Point F1 Team

**Time** 15:00

Session Qualifying

Fact Impeding car 10

**Offence** Breach of Article 31.5 of the FIA Formula One Sporting Regulations.

**Decision** Reprimand (Driving)

(This is the driver's 1st reprimend of the season).

**Reason** The Stewards heard from the driver of Car 11 (Sergio Perez), the driver of car 10

(Pierre Gasly), team representatives and have reviewed multiple angles of video

evidence and radio calls to the drivers.

Perez had just aborted his lap at turn 10, although he was still traveling at relatively high speed. The topography between turn 10 and turn 13 is very hilly, and the drivers have very limited vision of the cars behind them. Further, the time between the turns is very limited. At the apex of turn 13 Perez's team got a radio warning to him that Gasly was approaching at full speed. He immediately pulled to the left at the exit of the corner. However, at this point the fact that he was at the apex as Gasly approached definitely impeded Gasly.

The Stewards considered the difficulty to see that was apparent at this circuit, and compared this incident to others during the season. The Stewards therefore felt that this fell on the very edge of being "unnecessary impeding" (as is stated in the regulation) and issued a Reprimand.

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.

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