



2024 DOHA EVENT

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To	The Team Manager, Invicta Racing	Date	29 November 2024
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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 9 - Kush Maini

Competitor Invicta Racing

Time 19:31

Session Qualifying

Fact Car 9 (Maini) impeded Car 14 (Bennett) at Turn 1 in Qualifying.

Infringement Breach of Article 31.6 of the FIA Formula 2 Sporting Regulations.

Decision A drop of 3 places on the grid for the next race in which the driver participates. No driver penalty points are associated with this infringement.

Reason The Stewards examined video and GPS evidence. They summoned and heard the drivers and team representatives (documents 17 & 18).

Having considered the matter extensively, the Stewards determined that Maini had a problem and left the pit late and was out of sequence at the rear of the pack. The first car on a push lap was Bennett. At the entry to the straight Bennett was approx. 2 s behind Maini with Maini on a prep lap and Bennett on a push lap. Maini explained that the teams had no GPS data and so he had no warning from his team. Bennett caught Maini going into T1 and was impeded between the entrance of the corner and the apex. The Stewards reviewed the video and telemetry data and observed that there was a delta of more than 10kph at this point and sector data shows that Bennett was slowed. In the opinion of the Stewards, Maini should have been aware of faster traffic behind him as he was out of sequence and given the length of the main straight and the fact that the cars were only 2 seconds apart. The impeding is considered unnecessary as Maini could have let Bennett by on the straight without affecting his own preparation lap.

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.

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