



## 2024 SPA FRANCORCHAMPS EVENT

25 to 28 July 2024

From The Stewards Document 62

To The Team Manager, Date 28 July 2024

PREMA Racing Time 12:46

The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

No / Driver 4 - Andrea Kimi Antonelli

Competitor PREMA Racing

**Time** 10:00

Session Race 2

**Fact** Dry-ice pellets were reported as coming out of Car 4 at Turn 14 and the approach to

Turn 17 on the Formation Lap.

**Infringement** Breach of Article 7.2 of the FIA Formula 2 Technical Regulations.

**Decision** 

A fine of 2000 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.

A 5 place grid drop on the grid for the next race in which the driver participates is now invoked - this was suspended from the **Silverstone Event** (document 61).

For the infraction at this Event, an additional drop of 5 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 evidence. They summoned and heard the team representatives (document. 56).

Having considered the matter extensively, the Stewards determined that video evidence shows dry-ice pellets coming out of Car 4 at Turn 14 and the approach to Turn 17 during the Formation Lap before the start of Race 2.

The Competitor was already on notice about such an issue by virtue of Document 61 from Silverstone (the "Silverstone Penalty") whereby the team was subjected to a suspended penalty to be triggered by a similar dry-ice infraction. The Stewards note that, even though the infraction at Silverstone involved Car 3 (Bearman), the Silverstone penalty was addressed to the Competitor (Prema) and not Car 3 individually. Accordingly, both Prema drivers were at risk for triggering the suspended penalty.

The Stewards reiterate the points from Silverstone and again determine that this creates a potential safety issue and may constitute a means of gaining a sporting advantage. Since this is the second offence, the Stewards elect to increase the amount of the previous fine and to impose a five position grid drop for this infringement in addition to five position grid drop which automatically springs on account of the Silverstone Penalty.

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.

**Steve Pence** 

**Jean-Francois Calmes** 

**Brieuc Kremer** 

**The Stewards**