

Rally di Roma Capitale

24.-26. July 2020



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From:	The Stewards		
To:	Competitor and car No: 5 Oliver Solberg Crew: Oliver Solberg / Aaron Johnston		
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The Stewards, having received a report, having examined digital evidence from the internet, summoned and heard the drivers (summons No 01, Doc. 4.1), have considered the following matter, determine the following:

Fact: The team/driver had two test days in Italy on 20th and 21st of July.

Offence: Breach of Article 12.13 of the Supplementary Regulations and Article 68.4 of Appendix V1a of the 2020 FIA Regional Rally Sporting Regulations.

Decision: 1. Fine of 6.000 € (3.000 € per day)

In accordance with Article 12.7 FIA International Sporting Code, the payment of the fines must be done online, within 48 hours of their notification, at the following address: <https://fiafines.fia.com>. Any delay in making payment may entail Suspension of the licence during the period a fine remains unpaid.

2. Not allowed to start (disqualification) for the driver

According to Art. 12.3.6 of the Code this penalty is been suspended for the period of the 2020 European Rally Championship pending the driver being reported to the stewards during the next ERC events for any infringement in connection with testing. The penalty will come into effect for the event concerned after a decision of the Stewards of this event.

Reason: Publications of the driver in the internet proof that the team had two test days in Italy during the week of the rally. The competitor had apparently exceeded the maximum number of test day as stipulated in Article 68.4 of the 2020 FIA Regional Rally Sporting Regulations and did not registered any test with the organiser as required in the Supplementary Regulation Art. 12.13. According to the Regulations only one day of testing is allowed after the approval of the organiser. The organiser published in the Supplementary Regulation that the test day will be Tuesday, 21st July 2020

The drivers explained that they were not aware of the regulation concerned. Even so the co-driver has read the regulations he did not read Art. 12.13 of the Supplementary Regulations carefully. The drivers admit that it was a mistake and they apologize for this lapse.

The Stewards concluded that two-day testing without authorisation of the organiser is a break of the regulation and the competitor has to be penalised accordingly. An infringement before the start of the competitive elements of the rally in general should not be penalised by time penalties. On the other hand, it should not be possible for a competitor to "buy" test days by just paying fines. The Stewards had to make a clear statement, that the driver must follow the regulation at all time, thus also before the actual competition.

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The decision is based on the FIA International Sporting Code Art. 11.9.1, Art. 11.9.2.b, Art. 11.9.3.f, Art. 11.9.3.g; Art. 12.1.2, Art. 12.3.1.c, Art. 12.3.1 m and Art. 12.4.1.

The competitor/driver is 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 9.1.1 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules, within the applicable time limits.

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