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From: The Stewards

To: The Competitor M-SPORT FORD WORLD RALLY TEAM of car No. 55
Crew JOSHUA MCERLEAN / EOIN TREACY

All Competitors / crew members

The Stewards, having received a report from the FIA Technical Delegate, summoned the above competitor's representative, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

Facts The Competitor of Car No. 55 retired on the road section between end of SS13 and TC13A on Saturday, 3rd October 2026 following an engine issue. During the Service on Saturday evening, prior to the restart, a new engine was fitted in the car, which was not sealed.

Offence Breach of Article 17.1.1 and Article 17.1.4 in conjunction with Article 17.2.2 of the 2026 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations

Decision 5-minute time penalty to be applied at TC 13D

Reason The Stewards studied the report of the FIA Technical Delegate and also heard from the Team Manager of the Competitor of Car No. 55, Mrs. SAMANTHA GRAY on Sunday, 4th October 2026 at 10:10 hrs.

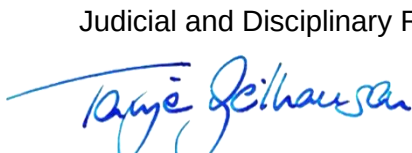
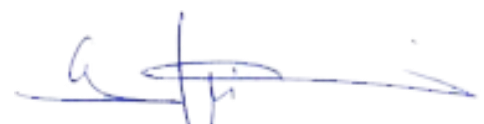
Mrs. Samantha Gray confirmed that the Competitor of Car No. 55 retired on the road section between end of SS13 and TC13A on Saturday, 3rd October 2026 following an engine issue. During the Service on Saturday evening, prior to the restart, a new engine was fitted in the car. This engine had not been sealed.

Article 17.1.1 of the 2026 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations provides that each Manufacturer must use no more than two engines per car name per season. Article 17.2.2 provides that, where the permitted engines have been used, a 5-minute penalty is to be imposed at the next rally.

The Stewards noted that the penalty prescribed by Article 17.2.2 would ordinarily be applied at the next rally. However, the present event is the final rally of the 2026 season of which this car name will compete, and consequently there will be no subsequent rally during the season at which the prescribed penalty could be applied.

The Stewards therefore determined that, in these particular circumstances, the prescribed 5-minute time penalty should be applied at the current event.

Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards, in accordance with Article 15 of the 2026 FIA International Sporting Code and Chapter 5 of the 2026 FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules.


Tanja Geilhausen
The Stewards
David Domingo
Claudio Gasparini

RE: STEWARDS DECISION No. 10 – RALLY ITALIA SARDEGNA 2026

This decision was notified to the Competitor's officially nominated representative as below:

<i>Name (in block letters):</i>	SAMANTHA GRAY	<i>Date:</i>	04.10.2026
<i>Position within the team:</i>	TEAM MANAGER	<i>Time:</i>	11:10

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