

## **CENTRAL EUROPEAN RALLY 2025**

16 - 19 October

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 Subject:
 STEWARDS DECISION No. 11
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From: The Stewards

**To:** The Competitor DIEGO RUILOBA of car No. 26

Crew DIEGO RUILOBA / ÁNGEL VELA

All Competitors / Crew Members

The Stewards, having received a report from the Clerk of the Course with photographic evidence and a report from the Competitor Relations Officer attached, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

Facts Car No. 26 failed to stop at the Stop Point of SS4 – Böhmerwald 1 at 10.09 hrs on

17<sup>th</sup> October 2025.

Offence Breach of Article 49.2 of the 2025 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations

**Decision** Reprimand imposed on the Crew of car No. 26

**Reason** The Stewards received a report from the Clerk of the Course, supported by the report

of the Competitor Relations Officer and photographic evidence, indicating that Car No. 26 failed to stop correctly at the Stop Point of SS4 – Böhmerwald 1 at 10.09 hrs

on 17th October 2025.

A hearing was held at 21.15 hrs on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2025, attended remotely from the Service Park in Passau by the driver, the co-driver and the team representative, Mr. Daniel Da Silva.

During the hearing, the co-driver explained that he had mistaken the tent of the Tyre Checking Zone, located only a few metres beyond the Stop Point, for the actual Stop Point. He emphasised that the car approached at low speed and came to a stop almost immediately after, without creating any risk or dangerous situation.

The Team Manager Mr. Da Silva confirmed this explanation and invited the Stewards to review the onboard video which, according to him, clearly depicted the incident as described.

The Stewards reviewed the onboard video footage provided by the team as well as the tracking data, both of which confirmed that the car's speed at the Stop Point was low and that the situation did not present any danger whatsoever to the Officials.

The Stewards accept that the incident resulted from a misunderstanding by the Crew, caused by the close proximity of the Stop Point and the Tyre Checking Zone. However, the Stop Point was correctly marked with the prescribed FIA control signs, which were clearly visible. It was therefore the joint responsibility of both the Driver and the Co-Driver to correctly identify the control and to ensure that the car stopped at the proper location to complete the time-card procedure as required by Article 49.2 of the 2025 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations.

Taking into account the explanations given, the low speed involved and the absence of any safety risk, the Stewards consider a Reprimand on both crew members of Car No. 26 to be appropriate and proportionate in this case.



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Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards, in accordance with Article 15 of the 2025 FIA International Sporting Code and Chapter 4 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules.

Mathieu Remmerie The Stewards Slaven Dedić

Wilhelm Singer

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

Name (in block letters):	DANIEL DA SILVA	Date:	18.10.2025
Position within the team:	TEAM MANAGER	Time:	22:42

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