

SAUDI BAJA 2022

10 - 12 November 2022



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Subject: **STEWARDS DECISION N° 3** Document No: **2.5**

From: The Stewards
To: Competitor: *Vehicle N° 216 Name: FAYEZ ALKAYED*
Crew: *FAYEZ ALKAYED / SULIMAN ALREMALY*

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The Stewards, having received a report from the FIA Technical Delegate (Doc. N° 6.2), having summoned and heard the Driver (summons N° 3), have considered the following matter, determine the following:

Crew and car No: *FAYEZ ALKAYED / SULIMAN ALREMALY car no 216*

Competitor: *FAYEZ ALKAYED*

Session: Inspection before the Start of the Qualifying Stage

Fact: The helmet, gloves and shoes of the driver did not meet the technical and safety requirements.

Behavior in an unsportsmanlike manner (the driver, knowing that his helmet, gloves and shoes did not meet the requirements, tried to unfairly deceive the official persons. In doing so, he acted in breach of the principles of sport, disobeying the instruction of officials not to use clothes that did not meet the requirements, even though they were aware of such a discrepancy after pre-event inspections).

Offence: Breach of 2022 FIA International Sporting Code Art. 12.2.1.c, Art. 12.2.1.h, Art. 12.2.1.i, Art. 12.2.1.l.

Decision: **Disqualification of the car N° 216, Crew FAYEZ ALKAYED / SULIMAN ALREMALY from the international event Saudi Baja 2022. This disqualification being applied with suspension of sentence. Disqualification will come into effect if the clothing of the driver does not meet the requirements by the moment of the Start of Leg 1 Section 2 and during the event Saudi Baja 2022.**

Reason:

During the pre-event scrutineering the crew of competitor N° 216 presented a helmet, set of gloves and set of shoes for inspection, which met the requirements. As a result, the crew was allowed to start. However, during the inspection that preceded Qualifying Stage, it was found that the driver was wearing non-compliant clothing.

During the hearing the driver explained that there was a confusion of two sets of clothing. When he went to the ceremonial start and Qualifying Stage he took the wrong set of clothing. During the hearing, the driver changed his position several times. Competitor agrees that he was wearing non-compliant clothing preceding the Qualifying Stage.

The Stewards decide in this case that the behavior of the driver, where clothing is presented during the pre-event checks and other clothing is used during the competitions, is contrary to the fundamental principles of fair treatment in sport. Failure to comply with the instructions of officials, deliberate misleading of officials cannot be tolerated. Moreover, it is an activity against the safety of competitions. The FIA is making great efforts to increase the value and improvement of safety in motorsport.

Such behavior harms motorsport in general and Cross-Country (Bajas) discipline in particular as well.

Offences or infringements are punishable, whether they were committed intentionally or through negligence (ISC Art. 12.1.1.a).

In this such case, only disqualification of the Car N° 216 may be granted.

The Decision is based on the FIA International Sporting Code Art. 11.9.1; Art. 11.9.3.a, Art. 11.9.3.f, Art. 11.9.3.i.

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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According to Art. 12.3.3.b of the FIA 2022 International Sporting Code this Decision of the Stewards becomes immediately binding even in the event of an appeal, since it concerns questions of safety and irregularity of Entry by a Competitor entering a Competition.

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FIA Chairperson of the Stewards

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ASN Steward

Competitor:

FAYEZ ALKAYED

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Vehicle No: 216

Crew:

FAYEZ ALKAYED / SULIMAN ALREMALY

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