



DECISION Nr. 6

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From: the Stewards

Date: 06 March 2026

To: Competitor car nr. 34 – Xavier Saintin
Crew: Xavier Saintin – Sébastien Chol

Time (decision): 22:00

The Stewards, having received a report and GPS tracking evidence from the Clerk of the Course, summoned and heard the drivers and the Competitor (Summons nr. 5), have considered the following matter, determine the following:

Driver and car No: Car nr. 34 - Xavier Saintin – Sébastien Chol

Competitor: Xavier Saintin

Time (fact): approx. 15:50

Session: Road section to SS5

Fact: Car nr. 34 left the compulsory itinerary on the road section to SS5

Offence: Breach of Article 19.2 of the 2026 FIA European Historic Rally Pre-1992 Championship

Decision: 3 minutes time penalty

Reason: The Stewards have received a report and GPS tracking evidence from the Clerk of the Course stating and showing that Car nr. 34 left the compulsory itinerary on the road section to SS5, between boxes 7 and 8, page 27 of the roadbook. The Stewards summoned and heard from the drivers and the Competitor.

The Competitor and drivers explained that they made a mistake and then rejoined the compulsory itinerary.

Article 19.2 of the 2026 FIA European Historic Rallye Pre-1992 Championship states that: "All crews will receive a Road Book containing a detailed description of the compulsory itinerary. The compulsory itinerary of the rally is defined in the Road Book by the road direction diagrams and, between the road direction diagrams, by the defined roadway".

Having considered the evidence they received, the Stewards determined that Car nr. 34 clearly not followed the compulsory itinerary on the road section to SS5 and was hence in breach of the above mentioned regulations. Moreover, due to the heavy traffic on the road of the compulsory itinerary at the time of the infringement, Competitor nr. 34 gained an advantage in taking another route via a parallel road with less traffic. Given the breach of the regulations and the advantage gained, the Stewards deemed the time penalty referred above being appropriate.

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 5 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules, within the applicable time limits (both documents can be found at <https://www.fia.com>).

Filippo Lurà
Chair of the panel of the Stewards

Wilhelm Singer
FIA Steward

Ruth Lapieza
ASN Steward

Received by the Competitor:

Name (in block letters):

Position within the Team:

Signature:

Date: Time: