Autocross of Mollerussa

Round 9 of the 2025 FIA European Autocross Championship

Round 9 of the 2025 FIA European Cross Car Championship

Mollerussa (Spain) – 10-12/10/2025

DECISION No : 2

From :	The Stewards	Date :	11/10/2025
To :	Driver /Competitor Rene MANDEL / OC-NAILA e.V. im ADAC	Time :	19:00

The Stewards, having received a protest from the driver/competitor #125, contesting the decision of the Race director Nº2, studied the video footage and heard the drivers/competitors #125 and #106, have considered the following matter, determine the following:

Driver and Car No: Rene MANDEL #125

Competitor: OC-NAILA e.V. im ADAC

Time (fact): 18:06

Session: 1st Qualifying Heat

Fact: The competitor #125 handed over a written protest to the Stewards, contesting the Race Directors' decision Nº2.

Offence: Breach of Article 14.2 of the Sporting Regulations of the FIA European Autocross and Cross Car Championship and Article 2.b - Chapter V - Appendix L of the ISC and Article 12.2.1.i of the ISC. In conjunction with Race Directors' event notes item 14.2.

Decision:

- The protest is admissible.
- The protest is rejected.
- The decision of the RD is upheld.
- The protest deposit is retained entirely.

Reason:

The stewards summoned and heard the competitor and driver which lodged the protest (Competitor #125) and the driver and competitor of the affected Car #106.
The Stewards reviewed the available video evidence from CCTV.
Having examined the matter extensively, the Stewards considered that after the start, Car #125 changed the direction moving to the right and did not respect the racing line of Car #106, causing a side-to-side contact and forcing #106 to hit the protection (earth bank) at MP1. As a result, Car #106 lost two positions, and the contact resulted in a lasting advantage. Therefore, in the light of the present case, the Stewards determined that the appropriate action is to maintain the penalty of black flag given by the Race Director.
Regarding the protest deposit, the Stewards determined that the protest has been unfounded, therefore the deposit is not returned.

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 (both documents can be found at https://www.fia.com

Jakub VYMAZAL	**Paolo BET**	**David DOMINGO**
Chair of the Stewards	**International Steward**	**ASN Steward**

Name:	Date: 11/10/2025	Time: 19:22