

CROATIA RALLY 2024

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Subject:	STEWARDS DECISION No. 5	Document No:	2.6
From:	The Stewards		

To: The Competitor TOKSPORT WRT of car No. 31 Crew GUS GREENSMITH / JONAS ANDERSSON

All Competitors / crew members

The Stewards, having received a report from the Clerk of the, summoned the above Route Note Car crew members as well as the competitor's representative, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

- FactsThe Route Note Car for the Competitor of Car 31 did not enable the RSLite application
(tracking system) while driving on SS1 (Krašić Sošice 1) and SS2 (Jaškovo Mali
Modruš Potok 1) on Friday April 19, 2024.
- Offence Breach of Article 9.5.1 of the 2024 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations. Breach of Article 12.20 of Croatia Rally 2024 Supplementary Regulations.

Decision Fine of € 500 on Competitor No. 31 TOKSPORT WRT

In accordance with Art. 12.8 of the 2024 FIA International Sporting Code, fines shall be paid within 48 hours of their notification. Any delay in making payment may entail Suspension during the period a fine remains unpaid.

Reason The Stewards heard from the Team Manager Mr. Oguzhan ILASLAN and the Route Note Car (RNC) driver Mr. Kristian SOHLBERG and the co-driver Mr. Chris PATTERSON on Friday April 19, 2024 at 17:55 hrs.

Mr. PATTERSON was forthright in acknowledging the failure to turn on the RSLite (tracking system) application on his mobile phone while driving on SS1 and SS2 on Friday April 19, 2024. He stated that the RSLite application accelerates the drain of their mobile phone's battery. As such, the RNC Crew only turn on the RSLite application while they drive on special stages. He added that he has a note written on his road book's pages to prompt and alert him to turn on the RSLite application; however, as he is very familiar with the rally route, he did not use the road book and relied on his familiarity and memory of the stages' routes. The RNC co-driver and the Team Manager acknowledged that they clearly understood the requirement of utilising the tracking application and profusely apologised for the lapse. The Team Manager shared with the Stewards text messages between him and the RNC co-driver to confirm that this was a mistake. The co-driver also shared text messages reporting the conditions of the stage – the time stamps of the messages concurred with the RNC timetable.

The Stewards acknowledged the honesty and forthright statements of those attending the hearing.

Article 9.5.1 of the 2024 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations mandates that Route Note Cars must operate the speed control device (RSLite mobile application) as used during reconnaissance. This requirement is also reiterated and stated in Article 12.20 of Croatia Rally 2024 Supplementary Regulations. Failure by the RNC Crew to enable the device on SS1 and SS2 on Friday April 19, 2024 constitutes a breach of the regulations.



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

The penalty imposed is proportional to the infringement and in line with previous precedents.

Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards, in accordance with Article 15 of the 2024 FIA International Sporting Code and Chapter 4 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules.

Mazen Al-Hilli The Stewards

Tanja Geilhausen

Sanjin Paro

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

Name (in block letters):	OGUZHAN ILASLAN	Date:	19.4.2024
Position within the team:	TEAM MANAGER	Time:	19:15

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