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From: *The Stewards*

To: **SOUTH RACING**  
*FIA registered Supplier for Medical Kits*

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The Stewards having received a report from the FIA Technical Delegate (Doc. No. 6.2), summoned and heard the supplier's representatives, Mr. Scott Abraham and Mrs. Ana Saibany, have considered the matter, determine the following:

**To SOUTH RACING being considered participant in BP ULTIMATE RALLY-RAID PORTUGAL 2024:**

- (1) Art. 1.3 of the International Sporting Code (the Code) is clear in stating that any persons, or group of persons, organising a Competition or taking part therein:
  - Shall be deemed to be acquainted with the statutes and regulations of the FIA and the national regulations.
  - Shall undertake to submit themselves without reserve to the above and to the decisions of the sporting authority and to the consequences resulting, therefrom.
- (2) Art. 1.1.2 of the FIA CCRSR determines that any suppliers connected with competitive vehicles are considered as a rally participants in accordance with Article 1.3 of the Code, and as such must adhere to the obligations imposed on them and abide by the decisions of the sporting authority.
- (3) SOUTH RACING was supplying medical kits to several competitors in BP ULTIMATE RALLY-RAID PORTUGAL 2024.
- (4) The Stewards conclude that, according to the Code and the applicable regulations, SOUTH RACING must be considered as participant of BP ULTIMATE RALLY- RAID PORTUGAL 2024. Thus, SOUTH RACING (as a supplier) is under the jurisdiction of the Stewards.

**Facts:** The medical kit (provided by SOUTH RACING) presented by Competitor #304 during pre - event scrutineering was checked at 0,963 kg.

**Offence:** Breach of Art. 1 of Appendix IV of the FIA 2024 CCRSR.

**Decision:**

- to impose a fine penalty of **5000 EUR** on the Supplier **SOUTH RACING**
- **2500 EUR** of this fine applied with suspension of sentence, subject to the supplier not committing any further breach of a similar nature at any FIA W2RC events during the season 2024.

In accordance with Article 12.8 of the FIA 2024 International Sporting Code, the payment of the fines must be done online, within 48 hours of their notification, at the following address: <https://fiafines.fia.com>. Any delay in making the payment may entail Suspension during the period a fine remains unpaid.

**Reason:**

The report of the FIA Technical Delegate says, that *the minimum weight of all medical kits was checked during pre-event scrutineering.*

According to the latest version of the CC Baja Medical Kits FIA Specification (May 2021), all homologated medical kits must weigh more than 1,5 kg.

The medical kit presented by the competitor #304 together with the vehicle was checked at 0,963 kg.

The kit was properly sealed, with the seal specified on the identification label. The kit was provided by SOUTH RACING, obviously less than 6 months ago.

The content of the kit was checked by the technical team, founding several missing items.

The supplier's representatives admitted the infringement and regretted it. They explained that it certainly wasn't done intentionally. It could have happened due to a mistake.

According to Art. 12.1.2 of the Code, offences or infringements are punishable, whether they were committed intentionally or through negligence.

Stewards decide that in this case the violation is related to safety. It must therefore be regarded as a serious infringement.

Although in this case the competitor was able to present and register a new homologated medical kit (from different supplier), however, it should also be noted that if the medical kit is sealed by the supplier, there is confidence that the medical kit meets the requirements and can be used.

The Stewards decide to impose a fine penalty. In suspending a part of the fine, Stewards want to encourage SOUTH RACING to make every possible effort not to violate the established rules in the future.

The decision is based on Art. 11.9.1, Art. 11.9.3.a, Art. 11.9.3.f, Art. 12.4.1. and Art. 12.4.6 of the FIA 2024 International Sporting Code.

The Manufacturer is reminded that he has 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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