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From: The Stewards

To: Evan Russell / Larry O 'Shea

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The Stewards have received an appeal against a decision of the Clerk of the Course of the Birr stages rally 2024, to exclude car no 69 from the results.

Having received the appeal form from the Clerk of the Course, the stewards, having examined the paperwork and the appropriate fee paid, deemed the appeal to be valid.

The Stewards summonsed the crew of car no 69 & the SRC Dave Ray to a hearing on zoom on the 28th of April at 19.00.

All parties involved attended the hearing except Dave Ray. The Stewards decided to proceed in Dave's absence. The Appellants engaged positively in the meeting.

Fact: The Crew of car no 69 followed an instruction of a senior event official to proceed to Special Stage 6 instead of following the roadbook back to service after special stage 5.

Decision: The stewards, having reviewed all available evidence, have decided to reinstate car no 69 into the final results.

The Stewards direct the Clerk of the Course to apply penalties to Car No 69 as per appendix 29 art 13.5.2 for special stages 5 & 6, and then allocate the actual stage times recorded by Car No 69 for Special Stages 7, 8 and 9.

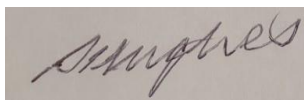
Following this procedure the stewards direct that the results be re-posted provisional for 30 minutes.

Reason: The crew of Car no 69 followed the instruction of the senior official and completed the event in good faith. In the interest of fairness, Car no 69 should not have been excluded from the final results.

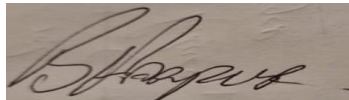
Consequently, we direct that both the protest fee & the appeal fee be refunded to the appellant with immediate effect.

Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal this decision to the National Court of Appeal.

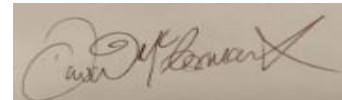
An " Intention to Appeal " form must be submitted to the stewards within 1 Hour of the publication of this decision, if so intended.



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