

WORLD RALLYCROSS OF NORWAY – 17/18 JUNE 2023

FIA WORLD RX1E RALLYCROSS CHAMPIONSHIP – ROUND TWO
FIA EUROPEAN RX1 RALLYCROSS CHAMPIONSHIP – ROUND THREE
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DECISION No 17

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From:	The Stewards	Date:	17/06/23
To:	The Team Manager	Time:	15:35

The Stewards, having had Decision No 01 of the FIA World Rallycross Championship Round 1 (Portugal) brought to their attention summoned and heard from Competitor Special One Racing (#9 #36) Team Manager Sebastien Lesonneur (Summons No. 1), heard from the FIA World Rallycross Championship Sporting Manager and FIA Electronic Scrutineer have considered the matter, determine the following:

Competitor: Special One Racing (#9 #36)

Date (fact): 4th April 2023

Session: Private Testing

Fact: Driving one car on 4th April 2023 without submitting the necessary application for ‘Promotional Event Registration Form’

Offence: Breach of Articles 20.1 & 20.3 of the Sporting regulations of the FIA World Rallycross Championship

Decision: **No further action**

Reason: As referenced in Decision 1, FIA World Rallycross Championship Round 1 (Portugal) a matter of vehicle movement on 4th April was considered. During the original hearing which was specific to unauthorised driven kms (testing or practice) on the 10th & 22nd of May the stewards had subsequently been made aware of further driven kms on the 4th April. The Team had applied for and been issued with authority in accordance with Article 20.3 of the FIA World Rallycross Championship Sporting Regulations for ‘test days’ on both 3rd and 5th April at Circuit Calafat, the 4th having been noted on the application as ‘rebuild’.

As the Team Manager at the hearing on 2nd May had referenced subsequent email exchanges between themselves and FIA/Championship Coordinator following application and approval for 3rd and 5th April this particular matter was to be heard at Round 2 Norway.

The Stewards summoned and heard from the Team Manager, Sebastien Lesonneur and the FIA World Rallycross Championship Sporting Manager, Emil Axelsson. The Team Manager explained that having submitted the necessary application in accordance with Article 20.3 of the FIA World Rallycross Championship Sporting Regulations there had been further email exchange with FIA, Kreisel and the Championship Coordinator where the Team had set out the movements over these 3 days. The Championship Sporting Manager acknowledged that the daily movements had been included in email exchange however FIA were not party to that correspondence and in addition Mr Axelsson provided an overview to the Stewards of other email correspondence relative to this case.

Having considered all information provided the Stewards are satisfied that there was vehicle movement (driven kms) on 4th April which had not been formally applied for nor authorised by FIA. Having then spoken with the FIA Electronic Scrutineer Jeremy Guitard to validate how many kms had been completed over all three days (which was no more than that permitted for the two days properly authorised) the Stewards are satisfied that there is no advantage gained.

In conclusion and under the circumstances the Stewards decided that there should be no further action in this instance.

In addition the Stewards ask that Article 20.3 of the FIA World Championship Sporting Regulations be reviewed to ensure that the regulation properly reflects the practical implementation and interpretation of this regulation.

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.

Cheryl LYNCH
Chairperson of the Panel

Horst SEIDEL
Steward

Kristian SÆTERØY
Steward

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