



# Clerk of the Course Decision 2

## Saturday 8 July 2023

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A Judge of Fact report from the start marshal, Gareth Jones, of SS 4 Monument has been received stating that car 22 been given a start time for the stage of 12:22 but they started the stage at 12:21. The start sequence on the clock had not been initiated.

Competitor 22 booked into ATC 4 at 12:19

The Time Card shows a nominal start time of 12:22

The Time Card, see below, shows the above to be correct

**Time Card 4**  
 RS 3  
 SS 4 Monument 1  
 Comp No 022

2023	Hr	Min	Sign	SF 3	
	12	07			
	12	19		TC 4	
Provisional Start time	12	22		SS 4	
Actual Start time	12	22		Prev Car No	20
Finish Time	12	27	41	-3	

*LIGHTS NOT WORKING*

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The time card has writing on it that states “\*lights not working\* with an arrow in handwriting that does not resemble the writing on the Judge of Fact report

The automatic timing system shows the following:

- Car 19 started at 12:19
- Car 20 started at 12:20
- Car 23 started at 12:23

The tracking system has been interrogated and this confirms the car started the stage at 12:21

The event regulations confirm the start sequence in Article 20

Considering the above I impose a penalty of 1 minute under R32.2 (e) Making a false start at a special stage

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