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Subject:	Stewards Decision No. 3	Document No.:	2.4
From:	The Stewards		
To:	Competitor car no 144 Pekka ANTTALAINEN Crew: Pekka ANTTALAINEN / Antti HIETANIEMI		
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The Stewards, having received photo evidence from the FIA Eligibility Delegate, have considered the following matter, determine the following:

Fact: The Driver of car No 144 arrived at the stop control of SS5 the overall untied from the neck and unzipped under the chest.

Offense: Breach of

- Appendix L Chapter III Art. 2 of the International Sporting Code
- Art. 32.1 & 32.2.3 of the 2023 EHRC Sporting Regulations
- Art. 11.2 of the Supplementary Regulations

Decision: Fine of 150 EUR,

In accordance with Art. 12.8 of 2023 FIA 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 payment may entail suspension during the period a fine remains unpaid.

Reason: According to the Supplementary Regulations, the EHRC Sporting Regulations and the International Sporting Code (App. L), in special stages of rallies all drivers must wear homologated overalls according to the regulations which will provide adequate protection against fire. The EHRC Sporting Regulations Art. 53.1 clearly states that whenever a car is in motion on any type of special stage and until the stop control, the crew must wear the equipment detailed in Article 31.1.2 of the EHRC Regulations. With communication no 1 dated 9th August 2023, the Clerk of the Course reminded all Competitors on these regulations.

The crew must wear all required safety clothing and equipment in compliance with Appendix L Chapter III-Drivers' Equipment as intended by the equipment manufacturer. The balaclava must be worn under the racing suit. The neck, wrists and ankles shall always be covered by at least two articles of protective clothing. The balaclava and top underwear shall overlap by a minimum of 3 cm around the driver's neck, except at the front central line where they shall overlap by at least 8 cm. The overall must be closed to the top.

The proper clothing is a major safety item to protect the crew in case of fire during the competition. It is essential for the competitor's safety, and safety is one of the major concerns by the FIA. Safety remains a key challenge and the FIA is committed to do everything possible to protect the competitors.



Apparently, according to the information received by the stewards, the driver's clothing was not worn as intended by the regulations driver in the moment the car stopped at the end of the SS5. The Stewards therefore concluded that the competitor was in breach of the above regulations.

The decision is based on the FIA International Sporting Code Art. 11.9.1, Art. 11.9.3.a; Art. 11.9.3 f; and Art. 12.4.1.c.

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.

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FIA Chairperson of the Stewards

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FIA Steward

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This decision was notified by CRO to the Competitor's:

Name in block letters	PEKKA ANTTALAINEN	Date	12.8.2020
Position in the team	DRIVER	Time	73.00
Signature			