

**Date:** 22.01.2023 **Time:** 11:40 hrs  
**Subject:** STEWARDS DECISION No. 8 **Document No:** 2.9

**From:** The Stewards  
**To:** All competitors / crew members

The Stewards, having received a request from the FIA Sporting Delegate, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

**Facts** Car No. 6 started SS15 before the assigned start time due to a sudden failure of the start light device.

**Decision**

1. The False Start penalty on SS15 for car No. 6 is cancelled
2. The time for car No. 6 on SS15 is amended to 12:30.5

**Reason** The FIA Sporting Delegate requested the Stewards to waive the false start penalty for Competitor No. 6 on SS15 due to a sudden failure of the start light device. Car No.6 was standing at the Start of SS15 when, during the countdown, the lights of the start clock device turned off. Car No. 6 took the start at that moment.

It is understandable that the driver of Car No. 6 started when the start signal turned off.

Furthermore, in order to define the SS time, the actual times when the start beam and the finish beam were crossed are available in the timing system.

However, it is reasonable to add the average reaction time (time elapsed between the start signal and the crossing of the start beam) of driver Daniel Sordo available from the special stages completed before SS15.

Start beam was crossed at	8:05:59.586
Finish beam was crossed at	8:18:29.734
Time spent	12:30.148
Average reaction time added	0.415
Adjusted time	12:30.563
SS Time (truncated to tenths)	12:30.5

The Stewards, therefore, under their authority provided by Art. 11.9.2.a of the 2023 FIA International Sporting Code and by Art. 1.1.5 of the 2023 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations, decide to waive the false start penalty and correct the time of competitor No. 6 on SS15 as specified above.

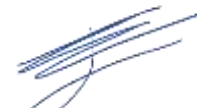
Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards, in accordance with Article 15 of the 2023 FIA International Sporting Code and Chapter 4 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules.



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