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Decision no. 5

From:	The Stewards	Date:	10 June 2026
To:	RACING SPIRIT OF LEMAN	Time:	16:28

The Stewards, having received a report from the RTLTM Race Director, summoned and heard the Teams' Representatives and the drivers concerned, having consulted the Driver Advisor, having checked video evidence determined a breach of the regulations has been committed by the competitor named below and impose the penalty referred to.

N° / Driver:	10 / Valentin HASSE CLOT
Competitor:	RACING SPIRIT OF LEMAN
Session:	Free Practice 1
Time (fact):	12:37:08
Fact:	Collision between cars 10 and 58 at MP25.
Offence:	Breach of Appendix L Chap. IV, art 2d) of International Sporting Code
Decision:	Reprimand.

In addition 1 penalty point deducted (balance of 7 for 2026 season)

Reason: Prior to Turn 21, Car 10 (driven by Valentin Hasse Clot) had been closing on Car 58 (driven by George Nakas) for some time and was directly behind it at the exit of Turn 21.

The driver of Car 58 explained that he had only recently started his practice stint and was still running on relatively cold tyres. Being aware that Car 10 was approaching, he intended to facilitate the overtaking manoeuvre and therefore did not accelerate as quickly as would normally be expected at that point of the circuit.


The driver of Car 10 stated that he was surprised by the lower-than-expected acceleration of Car 58. As a result, the closing speed between the two cars was higher than he anticipated, leading to contact between the front of Car 10 and the rear of Car 58, after which Car 58 made contact with the guardrail.

The Stewards acknowledge that both drivers acted with good intentions. Although the driver of Car 58 should have continued to drive in a predictable manner rather than altering his normal acceleration profile in an attempt to facilitate the overtaking, the Stewards conclude that the greater responsibility for the collision rests with the driver of Car 10. As the faster approaching driver and the driver seeking to overtake, he bore the primary responsibility to ensure that the manoeuvre could be completed safely and without contact.

The Stewards conclude that, whilst the driver of Car 58 contributed to the circumstances of the incident, the predominant responsibility for the collision rests with the driver of Car 10. The Stewards therefore elect to impose the above penalty on the driver of Car 10.

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

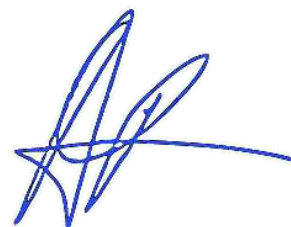
Chapter 5 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules, within the applicable time limits.



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