



# LE MANS CUP

## MICHELIN LE MANS CUP

Road to Le Mans

9 - 12 JUNE 2026

### Decision no. 68

**From:** The Stewards  
**To:** SMC MOTORSPORT

**Date:** 12 June 2026  
**Time:** 21:09

The Stewards, having received a report from the RTL M Race Director, consulted the Driver Advisor, having checked the video evidence, have considered the following matter

**N° / Driver:** 77 / Jean-Baptiste SIMMENAUER  
**Competitor:** SMC MOTORSPORT  
**Session:** Race  
**Time (fact):** 12:59:25  
**Fact:** Cars 95 and 77 made contact at MP20, following which Car 77 also made contact with Car 29.  
**Offence:** Alleged breach of Appendix L Chapter IV, Article 2d) of FIA International Sporting Code  
**Decision:** No further action.

**Reason:** Approaching MP20, Car 95 was ahead of Car 77. Car 77 attempted an overtaking manoeuvre on the inside. In response, Car 95 moved slightly to the right to defend its position, leaving just enough room for Car 77 on the inside.

Further into the braking zone, Car 95 moved again slightly to the right and minor side-to-side contact occurred between the two cars. Following this initial contact, Car 95 suffered a puncture to its right rear tyre. The tyre deflation suffered by Car 95 affected the handling of the car and was a contributing factor in the driver being unable to precisely maintain the intended trajectory of the car, resulting in further contact with Car 77.

As a consequence, Car 77 was then pushed into Car 29. Car 95 and 29 subsequently retired from the race, whilst Car 77 was able to continue.

Having reviewed the available video evidence, the Stewards determine that neither driver was wholly or predominantly responsible for the sequence of events.

The Stewards therefore conclude that this was a racing incident and take no further action.

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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Wim Cools  
Chairman of the Panel

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Mathieu Remmerie  
International Steward

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Arthur Pelosi  
National Steward