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2023 REPCO SUPERCARS CHAMPIONSHIP RACES 16 & 17 “NTI TOWNSVILLE 500”

Reid Park Street Circuit, Townsville, Queensland
05 to 09 July 2023

STEWARDS SUMMARY OF JUDICIAL OUTCOMES, Update 3 (FINAL): issued Sunday 9 July 2023 at 1810hrs.

Matters from Race 17:

Deputy Race Director Incident Determinations

During the Race the DRD in consultation with the DSA and at the request of Triple Eight Race Engineering conducted an investigation into an Incident at turn 7 on Lap 1 when contact occurred between Car 97, Shane van Gisbergen, and Car 777, Declan Fraser, as a result of which Car 97 left the track. A review of broadcast footage revealed that Car 97 made a late overtaking attempt on Car 777 on the outside of turn 7. Car 777 left racing room for Car 97 on the outside and the contact was caused when Car 97 turned into Car 777. There was no evidence capable of establishing any breach of the Rules by the Driver of Car 777.

The DRD received a later request from Triple Eight Race Engineering alleging that Car 99, Brodie Kostecki, had crowded Car 88, Broc Feeney at the exit of turn 13 on Lap 71. After reviewing broadcast footage, the DRD in consultation with the DSA determined that there was no evidence of any breach of the Rules by the Driver of Car 99.

Stewards' Decisions – Penalties imposed

During the Race the Stewards imposed a 15 second Time Penalty on Car 96, Macauley Jones, for Careless Driving following an Incident at turn 12 on Lap 60 when Car 96 collided with Car 26, David Reynolds, causing Car 96 to spin and lose positions.

Following the Race and after an investigation by the DRD and an admission by the Team, the Stewards imposed a Fine of \$10,000 (\$5,000 of which is suspended until 31 December 2023) on PremiAir Racing for a breach of Rule D11.2.3 (Car Controller must ensure the Pit Stop is carried out safely and maintain full control of the Pit Stop) regarding an Incident during the Race when Car 23, Tim Slade, was pushed back out of its Pit Garage into the path of Car 34, Jack le Broq impeding Car 34 and requiring Car 34 to take evasive action to avoid colliding with Car 23.

Matters from Top Ten Shootout for Race 17:

Deputy Race Director Incident Determinations

There were no Determinations.

Stewards' Decisions

No Penalties were imposed.

Matters from Qualifying for Race 16:

Deputy Race Director Incident Determinations

There were no Determinations.

Stewards' Decisions – Penalties imposed

No Penalties were imposed.

STEWARDS SUMMARY OF JUDICIAL OUTCOMES, Update 2: issued Saturday 8 July 2023 at 1805hrs.

Matters from Race 16:

Deputy Race Director Incident Determinations

During the Race the DRD in consultation with the DSA reviewed the following matters:

- An Incident at turn 8 on Lap 1 when contact occurred between Car 25, Chaz Mostert, Car 97, Shane van Gisbergen and Car 34, Jack le Brocq as a consequence of which Cars 97 and 34 made contact with the outside wall and lost positions. A review of broadcast footage revealed a commonplace Lap 1 concertina at that turn with no Driver wholly or predominantly to blame and therefore the matter was not referred to the Stewards;
- At the request of Brad Jones Racing, an Incident at turn 2 on Lap 7 when contact occurred between Car 4, Jack Smith, and Car 2, Nick Percat. A review of broadcast footage revealed that Car 2 was stopped mid track having been turned by Car 18, Mark Winterbottom (for which the Stewards imposed a Penalty on Car 18) and Car 2 had flick-turned to resume racing. Despite Car 4 having a line of sight of the Incident ahead and that Car 2 was stopped, Car 4 drove into the side of Car 2 when the contact could have been avoided. As Car 2 was not affected by contact caused wholly by Car 4, the matter did not warrant referral to the Stewards for the imposition of a Penalty on Car 4;
- At the request of Erebus, an Incident at turn 10 on Lap 53 when contact occurred between Car 99, Brodie Kostecki, and Car 23, Tim Slade. Broadcast footage revealed that Car 99 was attempting to overtake Car 23 on the inside of turn 10. Contact occurred at the apex as Car 99 oversteered slightly. There was a high volume of tyre debris off the racing line. Car 23 kept within the racing line to avoid the debris but left room for Car 99 on the inside. The contact was minor and the DRD determined that no Driver was wholly or predominantly to blame for the Incident;
- At the request of Team 18, an Incident at turn 13 on Lap 73 when Car 18, Mark Winterbottom, went wide at the exit. The Team alleged that Car 26, David Reynolds, had pushed Car 18 off the edge of the track. A review of broadcast footage revealed that Car 18 was attempting to overtake Car 26 on the outside of turn 11. Car 18 did not have sufficient overlap with Car 26 to require Car 26 to leave racing room for Car 18 on the outside and, in any event, Car 26 had no opportunity to leave more room because another Car was to its left. The DRD determined that there was no evidence capable of establishing that the Driver of Car 26 committed any breach of the Rules.

Following the Race the DRD in consultation with the DSA conducted an investigation at the request of WFL Racing into an Incident at turn 7 on Lap 1 when Car 55, Thomas Randle, made contact with the rear of Car 20, Scott Pye, as a result of which Car 20 spun and lost multiple positions. A review of broadcast footage and judicial camera footage from Car 55 and Car 3, Todd Hazelwood, revealed that the contact between Cars 55 and 20 was contributed to by a concertina of Cars ahead following contact between Cars 25, 97 and 34 and contact behind between Car 8, Andre Heimgartner, and Car 55 for which neither of those Drivers were considered wholly or predominantly to blame. The DRD determined that no one Driver was wholly or predominantly to blame for the contact between Car 55 and Car 20.

Stewards' Decisions – Penalties imposed

During the Race the Stewards imposed a 15 second Time Penalty for Car 18, Mark Winterbottom, for Careless Driving for an Incident at turn 2 on Lap 8 when Car 18 collided with Car 2, Nick Percat, causing Car 2 to spin and lose multiple positions.

Matters from Top Ten Shootout for Race 16:

Deputy Race Director Incident Determinations

There were no Determinations.

Stewards' Decisions

Following the Session the Stewards summoned and heard from PremiAir Racing in response to a report from the HoM that the Team had breached Rule D6.3.6 (working on a Car) at the commencement of the Session when Car 31, James Golding, was observed to have wheels fitted. The Stewards determined to take no action because no breach of the Rules was established – Decision attached.

Matters from Qualifying for Race 16:

Deputy Race Director Incident Determinations



There were no Determinations.

Stewards' Decisions – Penalties imposed

No Penalties were imposed.

STEWARDS SUMMARY OF JUDICIAL OUTCOMES, Update 1: issued Friday 7 July 2023 at 1800hrs.

Matters from Practice 2:

Deputy Race Director Incident Determinations

There were no Determinations.

Stewards' Decisions – Penalties imposed

No Penalties were imposed.

Matters from Practice 1:

Deputy Race Director Incident Determinations

There were no Determinations.

Stewards' Decisions – Penalties imposed

No Penalties were imposed.

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