

## **2021 BRITISH GRAND PRIX**

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To The Team Manager, Date 17 July 2021 Williams Racing

Time 20:26

The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, summoned (documents 27 & 28) and heard from the drivers and team representatives, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

No / Driver 63 - George Russell

**Competitor** Williams Racing

**Time** 16:36

Session Sprint Qualifying

**Fact** Causing a collision with car 55 in turn 6.

Offence Breach of Article 2 d) Chapter IV Appendix L of the FIA International Sporting Code.

**Decision** Drop of 3 grid positions.

1 Penalty Point (7 points in a 12 month period)

**Reason** The Stewards heard from the driver of Car 63 (George Russell), the driver of car 55

(Carlos Sainz), team representatives and reviewed video evidence.

Cars 63 and 55 approached turn 6 with Car 63 on the inside, in the middle of the track, and Car 55 on the outside. Car 63 locked the front brakes briefly and then understeered towards the edge of the track at the exit of the turn and contacted Car 55, which was forced off the circuit and on to the grass. Car 63 is judged at fault for the incident.

The Stewards note that breaches of the regulations of this sort in a race normally result in time penalties, which are scaled based on normal Grand Prix race lengths. Both because of the shorter length of Sprint Qualifying and because it is used to establish the grid for the race, the Stewards feel that grid position penalties, as imposed here, are more appropriate.

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 Article 10.1.1 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules, within the applicable time limits.

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