

2025 SAUDI ARABIAN GRAND PRIX

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To	The Team Manager, Oracle Red Bull Racing	Date	20 April 2025
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The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

No / Driver 1 - Max Verstappen

Competitor Oracle Red Bull Racing

Time 20:04

Session Race

Fact Car 1 left the track at turn 2 and gained a lasting advantage.

Infringement Breach of Article 33.3 of the FIA Formula One Sporting Regulations.

Decision 5 second time penalty.

Reason The Stewards reviewed positioning/marshalling system data, video, timing, telemetry and in-car video evidence and determined that car 81 had its front axle at least alongside the mirror of Car 1 prior to and at the apex of corner 1 when trying to overtake Car 1 on the inside. In fact, Car 81 was alongside Car 1 at the apex.

Based on the Driver's Standards Guidelines, it was therefore Car 81's corner apex that was entitled to be given room.

Car 1 then left the track and gained a lasting advantage that was not given back. He stayed in front of Car 81 and sought to build on the advantage.

Ordinarily, the baseline penalty for leaving the track and gaining a lasting advantage is 10 seconds.

However, given that this was lap one and turn one incident, we considered that to be a mitigating circumstance and imposed a 5 second time penalty instead.

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

Decisions of the Stewards are taken independently of the FIA and are based solely on the relevant regulations, guidelines and evidence presented.

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