

# 2021 STYRIAN GRAND PRIX

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<b>To</b>	The Team Manager, Mercedes-AMG Petronas F1 Team	<b>Date</b>	25 June 2021
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The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, summoned (document 12) and heard from the driver and team representative, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

**No / Driver** 77 - Valtteri Bottas

**Competitor** Mercedes-AMG Petronas F1 Team

**Time** 15:41

**Session** Practice 2

**Fact** Dangerous driving in the pit lane.

**Offence** Breach of Article 27.4 of the FIA Formula One Sporting Regulations.

**Decision** Drop of 3 grid positions.  
2 Penalty Points (2 points in a 2 month period)

**Reason** The Stewards heard from the driver of Car 77 (Valtteri Bottas) and team representatives and reviewed video evidence.  
When BOT pulled away from his designated pit stop position, he lost control of the car when he turned into the fast lane. He oversteered, spun and came to a stop across the fast lane near the McLaren pits.

During the hearing BOT stated that in the past they have been losing time in the pit departure. So they tried something new, which was to leave in second gear. As a result, the wheel spin was much higher and the result unexpected. Therefor he didn't manage to control the car properly into the fast lane. This has to be considered as potentially dangerous driving, especially as personnel were around in the pit lane.

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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