

# 2025 SAUDI ARABIAN GRAND PRIX

## 18 - 20 April 2025

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<b>To</b>	The Team Manager, Visa Cash App Racing Bulls F1 Team	<b>Date</b>	18 April 2025
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The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, summoned (document 11) and heard from the driver and team representative, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

**No / Driver** 30 - Liam Lawson

**Competitor** Visa Cash App Racing Bulls F1 Team

**Time** 16:51

**Session** Practice 1

**Fact** Car 30 entered the painted area between the pit entry and the track.

**Infringement** Breach of Article 12.2.1 i) of the International Sporting Code and non-compliance with Race Director's Event Note (item 13.4, document 2).

**Decision** Reprimand (Driving) This is the driver's first reprimand for the 2025 season.

**Reason** The Stewards heard from the driver of Car 30 (Liam Lawson), team representative and reviewed positioning/marshalling system data, video, team radio and in-car video evidence and determined that Car 30 crossed the painted area between the pit entry and the track for the second time during FP1.

It was made clear in the event notes that no part of the tyre must cross the line in any direction.

There is no doubt that this prohibition was breached for a second time.

We checked the team radio and it appears that despite the notification that the alleged breach was noted by Race Control at 16:48:30, the driver was not warned of this.

There were at least 3 laps in between the first infringement and the second where the team could have reminded the driver of the prohibition in the Race Director's event notes and it appears that they did not do so. This was confirmed by the team representative during the hearing. He said that the team chose not to inform the driver as he was on a push lap and the second infringement happened already before they ultimately warned him when he returned to the garage.

Notwithstanding the team's decision not to warn the driver, the driver ought to know what is in the event notes and Lawson confirmed that he did know of the prohibition.

Although this was during Free Practice, the Race Director's event notes were clear and because this was a second infringement of a stated prohibition, we imposed a reprimand (driving).

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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