

# 2024 EMILIA ROMAGNA GRAND PRIX

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<b>To</b>	The Team Manager, Visa Cash App RB F1 Team	<b>Date</b>	18 May 2024
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The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, summoned (documents 29 & 30) and heard from the drivers and team representatives, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

**No / Driver** 3 - Daniel Ricciardo

**Competitor** Visa Cash App RB F1 Team

**Time** 13:31

**Session** Practice 3

**Fact** Incident between Cars 3 and 20 in turn 13.

**Infringement** Breach of Article 12.2.1 h) of the FIA International Sporting Code.

**Decision** The competitor (Visa Cash App RB Formula One Team) is fined 5,000.

**Reason** The Stewards heard from the driver of Car 3 (Daniel Ricciardo), the driver of Car 20 (Kevin Magnussen), team representatives and reviewed positioning/marshalling system data, video, telemetry, team radio and in-car video evidence.

The Stewards usually do not investigate impeding during free practice sessions unless they are considered dangerous or potentially dangerous. The incident between Magnussen and Ricciardo was considered by the Stewards as being potentially dangerous, in particular as Magnussen ended up driving into the grass at 225km/h.

This case is unusual in that it occurred after the checkered flag on the session. This means it is not classically impeding as it did not prevent Magnussen from setting fast time. It is also therefore understandable that Ricciardo was driving slowly, preparing for his practice start. It is also fully within the regulations for Magnussen to be driving at speed, even after the checkered flag.

The Stewards considered the location of the incident, which was after the crest of the hill leading up to Turn 14. There was no chance that Ricciardo was likely to see Magnussen in time, and vice versa. Ricciardo was avoiding his teammate, Tsunoda, who was also manoeuvring to prepare for his practice start. This meant that Ricciardo was near the racing line at the time. It was also understood by the Stewards that the situation was even more unusual due to the previous red flag, and the resumption of the session giving some of the teams the ability to complete the lap, and others not, but choosing to get the most information possible.

The Stewards have issued penalties for incidents during Free Practice sessions previously, although those incidents were all prior to the checkered flag. Given the circumstances, it was important for the team to give sufficient warning of a fast car

approaching, which they failed to do until Magnussen was at the scene. This failure caused a potentially dangerous situation. The Stewards consider that there are a number of mitigating circumstances, and that this situation is highly unusual, but that nevertheless, the teams have a duty of care, even after the checkered flag.

Therefore, the Stewards issue a fine to the team, but in view of the mitigating circumstances, a significantly reduced one from previous cases and no penalty to the driver.

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.

**Tim Mayer**

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