

2020 STYRIAN GRAND PRIX

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To	The Team Manager, Haas F1 Team	Date	12 July 2020
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The Stewards, having received a report from the Technical Delegate (document 39), summoned (document 40) and heard from the team representative, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

No / Driver 8 - Romain Grosjean

Competitor Haas F1 Team

Time 11:31

Session Qualifying

Fact Working on the car and carrying out unsupervised work on car 8 under Parc Ferme Conditions.

Offence Breach of Article 34.2, 34.4 and 34.7 of FIA Formula One Sporting Regulations.

Decision The car is required to start the race from the pit lane.

Reason The Stewards heard from the team representative.

Car 8 took part in Q1 by exiting the pit lane and therefore was under Parc Ferme conditions from that point in time as specified in Art. 34.2 of the 2020 Formula One Sporting Regulations.

As reported by the Technical Delegate and confirmed by the team manager during the hearing, the team did not stop working on the car 3 hours 30 minutes after the end of Qualifying (11 July 2020, 20:16 hrs), but instead continued to work on the car until 23:20 hrs on 11 July 2020, which is not in compliance with Art. 34.4 of the 2020 Formula One Sporting Regulations. The work carried out during this time was not under supervision of a scrutineer, which is a breach of Art. 34.7 of the 2020 Formula One Sporting Regulations.

In general, a breach of Parc Ferme regulations could lead to the driver being disqualified from the event. For work carried out on the car in the time windows until 3 hours 30 minutes after the end of Qualifying and after 5 hours 10 minutes before the start of the formation lap that includes changes to the set-up of the car or modifying parts of the car, a start from the pit lane would be mandatory.

In this particular case the Stewards accept that there clearly are mitigating circumstances as team would not have been able to run the car in the race without breaking the regulations and they approached the Stewards before the start of the relevant time period.

In this connection it is pointed out that the penalty applied is not to be seen as a precedent for future infringements of the regulations set out in Art. 36 of the 2020 Formula One Sporting Regulations.

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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