



2025 DUTCH GRAND PRIX

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From	The Stewards	Document	27
To	The Team Manager, Mercedes-AMG PETRONAS F1 Team	Date	30 August 2025
		Time	13:37

The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, summoned (documents 24 & 25) and heard from the drivers and team representatives, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

No / Driver 63 - George Russell

Competitor Mercedes-AMG PETRONAS F1 Team

Time 12:19

Session Practice 3

Fact Car 63 impeded Car 14 at pit entry at 12:19

Infringement Breach of Article 37.5 of the FIA Formula One Sporting Regulations

Decision The competitor (Mercedes-AMG PETRONAS F1 Team) is fined €7,500.
Warning to the driver of Car 63

Reason The Stewards heard from the driver of Car 63 (George Russell), the driver of Car 14 (Fernando Alonso), team representatives and reviewed video, timing, team radio and in-car video evidence.

Car 14 was on a push lap and was exiting Turn 14 when Car 63 was on a slow lap and had been instructed to enter the pits. Car 14 went on the inside of Car 63 in an attempt to complete the lap but Car 63, taking a wide line before entering the pits, nearly collided with Car 14 at pit entry. Car 63 took evasive action and aborted the pit entry and continued on the track. Car 14 had to abort the lap and enter the pit lane to avoid a collision.

It was clear to us that Car 63 had not been warned of the fact that Car 14 was approaching and that it was on a push lap. The team admitted this at the hearing and acknowledged that they ought to have warned the driver of Car 63 but did not do so. Their failure created a dangerous situation where both cars had to take evasive action to avoid a collision.

We accept that the driver of Car 63 had no way of knowing that Car 14 was approaching, particularly given the nature of the circuit and the fact that Turn 14 is a blind corner. Merely looking at the mirrors would not have prevented what occurred. We accordingly imposed a fine of €7,500 on the team for failing to warn their driver appropriately.

Nevertheless, given the nature of the circuit and the slow speed at which he was travelling, it would have been prudent for Car 63 to have kept more to the right of the track to leave space for faster cars coming around that corner. We also administer a warning to the driver for this.

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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