



**FIA World Endurance Championship
Round 8 – Bapco 8 Hours of Bahrain
2024 October 31th - November 2nd**

Decision No. 19

From: The Stewards

Date: 2 November 2024

To: TOYOTA GAZOO RACING

Time (decision): 17:49 h

The Stewards, having received a report from the FIA Race Director, having summoned and heard the Team Managers, have considered the following matter :

N° / Competitor 7 / TOYOTA GAZOO RACING
Driver: Kamui Kobayashi
Time (fact): 16:48
Session: Race
Fact: Leaving the track and gaining a lasting advantage.
Offence: Appendix L, chap. IV, art. 2c of International Sporting Code
Decision: Reprimand

Reason:

After having reviewed the video evidences and heard from the team representatives, the Stewards determined Car 7 went out of the track at the exit of T7 and then overtook car 20 at T8. Team manager of car 7 explained that car 7 went off track due to aerodynamic effect produced by the car in front, which was acknowledged by the Stewards.

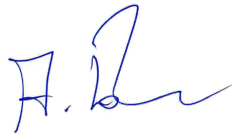
In addition, Car 7 was able to carry some speed while going off-track, allowing it to overtake car 20 once it has returned to the track at the next corner. However, at the exit of T8 car 20 was quickly side by side with car 7 and was half a car in front when approaching T9.

Considering the matter extensively, the Stewards considered that car 7 should have given back the position entirely to car 20, which was the situation before the incident.

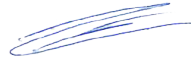
Competitors are reminded that, in accordance with Art. 12.3.4 of the FIA International Sporting Code and Art. 7.4.6 of 2024 WEC Sporting Regulations, this decision is not subject to appeal.



Jean-Francois
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FIA Steward
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