



Formula Regional European Championship Round 3 - Spa - 28 - 31 May 2026

Decision no. 13

From: The Stewards
To: Trident Motorsport

Date: 30 May 2026
Time: 17:15

The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

N° / Driver: 33 / Maksimilian Popov
Competitor: Trident Motorsport
Session: Race 1
Time (fact): 14:37
Fact: Car 33 crowded Car 69 off the track on the right hand side at Turn 2.
Offence: Breach of Appendix L Chapter IV Article 2 b of the ISC
Decision: Five seconds (5) time penalty in accordance with Article 39.3 (a) of the FIA FREC Sporting Regulations. In addition, 1 point is to be added to the driver's record. Total for the 2026 season = 1 point

Reason:

The Stewards summoned (Summons 12 & 13) and heard the Drivers of Car 33 (Popov) and Car 69 (Francot) and the team representatives. Together they examined video evidence and onboard footage. At Turn 1, Car 33 went wide, and Car 69, which was following, gained better momentum on the exit. The two cars continued towards Turn 2, with Car 69 drawing alongside Car 33, which nonetheless remained ahead. Approaching Turn 2, Car 69 was positioned on the right-hand side of the track, close to the wall, with Car 33 on its left. A side-by-side contact occurred between the two cars, after which both continued. The Stewards determine that the Driver of Car 33 was responsible for the contact as he did not leave enough space, and that he was the only one who could have avoided it. Therefore, they imposed the above penalty, which they consider appropriate.

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 5 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules, within the applicable time limits.

Iacopo Arcangeli
Chairman of the Stewards

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