

**DECISION No: 20**

**From:** The Stewards **Date:** 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023  
**To:** Centri Porsche Ticino **Time:** 18:45 hrs

The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, having summoned and heard from the competitors representative and driver, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

**No. / Driver:** 76 / Patrick HOFMANN  
**Competitor:** Centri Porsche Ticino  
**Session:** Race 1  
**Fact (Time):** Car was not at 80kph during FCY procedure (17:39).  
**Regulation:** Article 46.4 of the GT4 European Series Sporting Regulations  
**Decision:** Reprimand and 1 Behaviour Warning Point  
**Reason:** The driver explained that having slowed to 80kph prior to the end of the FCY countdown and engaged the speed limiter in 4<sup>th</sup> gear, the car accelerated to 96kph. The driver explained that he was new to the team and series and had not initially appreciated that the speed limiter requires the car to be in 3<sup>rd</sup> gear to maintain 80kph. Having spoken with the team via the radio his error was highlighted and 3<sup>rd</sup> gear engaged. The Stewards viewed onboard footage which confirmed the drivers account. Recognising that no sporting advantage had been gained by this error due to the subsequent Safety Car procedure, the Stewards determine that a Reprimand and 1 Behaviour Warning Point is appropriate in this instance.

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, within the applicable time limits.



**Steve BURNS**  
Steward (Chairman)



**Wim COOLS**  
International Steward



**Enric ARRAZOLA**  
ASN Steward

**RECEIPT TO BE CONFIRMED  
ELECTRONICALLY BY THE  
COMPETITOR**

Copy to: The Competitor  
The Race Director  
The Clerk of the Course  
The Secretary of the Meeting  
The Press Delegate