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2024 REPCO SUPERCARS CHAMPIONSHIP RACES 17 & 18

“NED WHISKY TASMANIA SUPERSPRINT”

Symmons Plains International Raceway, Symmons Plains, Tasmania

15 to 18 August 2024

Update 2: issued Sunday 18 August 2024 at 1735hrs.

Matters from Race 18:

Incident Determinations

During the Race the DRD in consultation with the DSA investigated an allegation by Premier Racing that Car 2 had gained an advantage from contact with Car 31 at Turn 1 on Lap 12. Broadcast footage of the incident showed that Car 31 had turned in too shallow for Turn 1 and had run wide at the exit and Car 2 overtook Car 31 on the inside. There was minor contact but Car 2 did not achieve the overtake unfairly. There being no evidence of any breach of the Rules by the Driver of Car 2, the matter did not warrant referral to the Stewards.

On Lap 44 there were multiple instances of contact between Cars 55 and 87, commencing at Turn 4 and ending at Turn 7 when Car 55 went wide off the edge of the track onto the grass. Broadcast footage showed that Car 55 had made contact with Car 87 at Turn 4 and gained a run on Car 87 on the back straight as a result of that contact. Car 87 regained the position at the apex of Turn 6 through to Turn 7 with minor contact but, the track positions of the Cars having been restored to what it had been at the entry to Turn 4 and noting that each Driver had contributed to the instances of contact, the DRD in consultation with the DRD determined that the matter did not warrant referral to the Stewards.

Stewards' Decisions

During the Race the Stewards imposed the following Penalties:

- A 15 second Time Penalty on Car 1 for Careless Driving when Car 1 collided with the side of Car 20 at Turn 4 on Lap 6;
- A PLP on Car 1 for breaching the Pit Lane Speed limit and failing to activate the limiter before the line;
- A PLP on Car 19 for failing to stop at the red light at Pit Exit;
- A PLP on Car 20 also for failing to stop at the red light at Pit Exit;
- A PLP on Car for an unsafe release from its Pit Bay directly into the path of Car 18 as a result of which contact occurred;
- A PLP on Car 3 for Careless Driving after Car 3 crowded Car 12 off the edge of the track on the start finish straight on Lap 20 as result of which Car 12 collided with the wall and retired from the Race;
- A 15 second Time Penalty on Car 55 for Careless Driving when Car 55 collided with the rear left side of Car 88 at the apex of Turn 4 on Lap 50 causing Car 88 to spin and lose multiple positions.

Matters from Qualifying for Race 18

Incident Determinations

The DRD investigated an allegation of impeding made by Erebus Motorsport that Car 3 had impeded Car 9 at Turn 6 in Part 1 of the Session. The DRD in consultation with the DSA reviewed broadcast footage which showed that on the approach to Turn 6, Car 3 was behind Car 14 when Car 9 arrived on a push lap. Because Car 14 was immediately ahead of Car 3, Car 3 could do no more than stay hard right to leave as much room as possible for Car 9 on the inside. There was no evidence of any unnecessary impeding by Car 3 of Car 9 to warrant the matter being referred to the Stewards.

Stewards' Decisions

Following Race18 the DRD conducted an investigation into a report from Supercars Technical that Triple Eight Race Engineering had failed to upload all data logger data from Cars 87 and 88 at the conclusion of Qualifying for Race 18 as required by the Rules and, after admissions by the Team to the breaches, the Stewards imposed a Fine of \$500 to the Team for each Car.

Update 1: issued Sunday 18 August 2024 at 1240hrs.

Matters from Practice 3

Incident Determinations

There were no Determinations.

Stewards' Decisions

There were no Stewards' Decisions issued.

Saturday 17 August 2024

Matters from Race 17:

Incident Determinations

There DRD received a request for investigation from the Team of Car 19 alleging that Car 17 failed to give racing room for Car 19 at Turn 6. After reviewing broadcast footage which showed Car 19 turned across the front of Car 17, the DRD determined there was no evidence of any breach of the Rules to refer to the Stewards.

Stewards' Decisions

During the Race the Stewards issued 15 second Time Penalties:

- to Car 12 for Careless Driving in connection with an incident at Turn 4 on Lap 53 when Car 12 made contact with Car 9 at Turn 4 causing Car 9 to spin and lose positions;
- to Car 8 for Careless Driving in connection with an incident at Turn 4 on Lap 55 when Car 8 made contact with Car 9 at Turn 4 causing Car 18 to spin and lose positions,

deciding in each case that the Driver was wholly to blame for the collision.

After the Race the Stewards summoned and heard from the Drivers of Cars 2 and 14 following a request for investigation from WAU to investigate an allegation that Car 14 gained an advantage from avoidable contact with Car 2 at Turn 4. After reviewing broadcast footage, the Team withdrew the allegation. The footage showed Car 14 moving to overtake Car 2 on the inside at Turn 4. At the apex the Cars were side by side. There was minor side to side contact at the exit of Turn 4 contributed to by both Drivers. No Driver could be considered wholly or predominantly to blame for the incident. The Stewards therefore took no further action.

Following the Race the Stewards received a report from Supercars Technical alleging that the video stream output from Cars ~~97~~ 87 and ~~98~~ 88 had not been received from those Cars during the Race (or in any earlier Session at this Event) and that this was attributable to the Team having changed the settings issued by Supercars to disable the feed in breach of the Rules. During a hearing it was established that the reason the feed was disabled was because there was an unknown incompatibility between the version of the camera software used by the Team and the version of the software used by Supercars to write and then check the settings. Therefore, there was no evidence that the Team had changed the settings to disable the feed and the Stewards took no further action.

Matters from Qualifying – Race 17:

Incident Determinations

There were no Determinations.

Stewards' Decisions

Following the Session the Stewards summoned and heard from the Drivers and Teams in connection with two incidents of alleged impeding:

- Car 3 allegedly impeded Car 31 when Car 3 entered the track from the Pit Exit road; and
- Car 10 allegedly impeded Car 7 between Turns 3 and 4,

and decided in each case to take no further action.

Matters from Practice 2:

Incident Determinations

There were no Determinations.

Stewards' Decisions

There were no Stewards' Decisions issued.

Friday 16 August 2024

Matters from Practice 1:

Incident Determinations

There were no Determinations.

Stewards' Decisions

There were no Stewards' Decisions issued.

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