

FIA World Endurance Championship
Round 7 - 6 Hours of Fuji
2025 September 25th - 28th

Decision no. 85

From: The Stewards
To: PROTON COMPETITION

Date: 28 September 2025
Time: 23:33

The Stewards, having received a report from the FIA Race Director, having checked video evidence determined a breach of the regulations has been committed by the competitor named below and impose the penalty referred to.

N° / Driver: 99 / Nicolas VARRONE
Competitor: PROTON COMPETITION
Session: Race
Time (fact): 14:07
Fact: Alleged overtaking outside the track at t16
Offence: Alleged breach of Appendix L, IV 2b) of FIA International Sporting Code
Decision: No further action

Reason:

Having reviewed the video evidence, the Stewards determined that, when approaching Turn 16, Car 7 overtook Car 99 on the inside. Both cars exited the corner side by side, with Car 7 forcing Car 99 slightly, but within the limits of the regulations, off track. A GT car (Car 10) was immediately ahead of them. Car 7 overtook Car 10 on the right-hand side, while Car 99, already off track, had no alternative but to pass Car 10 on the left-hand side while remaining in the run-off area.

Having considered the matter extensively, the Stewards determined that Car 99's overtaking of Car 10 was a direct consequence of its battle with Car 7. Furthermore, the Stewards concluded that the driver of car 99 couldn't do anything to perform the overtaking after having rejoined the track.

Accordingly, the Stewards have decided to take no further action.

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.



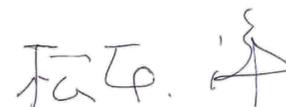
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