



2026

6 HOURS OF SÃO PAULO



**FIA World Endurance Championship**  
**Round 4 – 6 Hours of São Paulo**  
**2026 July 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Decision no. 61**

**From:** The Stewards  
**To:** BMW M TEAM WRT

**Date:** 12 July 2026  
**Time:** 19:54

The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, having checked the video evidence, having summoned and heard both drivers and Team Managers, have considered the following matter

**N° / Driver:** 20 / Robin FRIJNS  
**Competitor:** BMW M TEAM WRT  
**Session:** Race  
**Time (fact):** 17:19  
**Fact:** Contact between cars 20 and 50 at T2.  
**Offence:** Appendix L Chap. IV, art 2d) of International Sporting Code  
**Decision:** 5 seconds added to the total race time

**Reason:**

Having reviewed the video evidence, and heard both drivers and Team Managers, the Stewards determined that Car 20 overtook a LMGT3 car on the main straight, initially moving to the left but then moved right, back onto the racing line. Car 50 saw this as an opportunity to overtake car 20 and overtook the same LMGT3 car but kept to the left.

With a faster approaching speed, car 50 went to overtake car 20 into turn 1. Car 50 had effectively completed the overtake at the exit of turn 1, although the car was not 100% passed car 20.

The driver of Car 50 stated that he felt he had concluded the overtaking of car 20 and was entitled to take the apex of turn 2. The driver of Car 20 stated that he felt that car 50 should not have turned in so much and should have allowed him more room into turn 2.

Having considered the matter extensively, the Stewards believed that both drivers bore a degree of responsibility for the collision. However the Stewards considered that the driver of car 20 had the opportunity to not accelerate from the exit of turn 1 into turn 2 but instead could have taken action to reduce speed and permit car 50 to take the apex. The Stewards therefore, determine that the driver of car 20 was predominantly responsible and decided to impose a 5-second time penalty on Car 20, to be added to the total race time.

Competitors are reminded that, in accordance with Art. 12.3.4 of the FIA International Sporting Code and Article 7.4.4 of the 2026 FIA WEC Sporting Regulations, this decision is not subject to appeal.

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Brieuc KREMER  
**Chairman of the Panel**

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Achim LOTH  
**International Steward**

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Peter ROBERTS  
**International Steward**

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Felipe MALUHY  
**National Steward**