



4 HOURS OF LE CASTELLET



EUROPEAN LE MANS SERIES
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30 APRIL - 5 MAY 2024

Decision No. 38

From: The Stewards

Date: 29 May 2024

To: TEAM VIRAGE

Time (decision): 17:00 h

Description: The Stewards have received on 9th of May 2024, 17.04 hrs a petition for a Right of Review from the competitor Team Virage competing in the ELMS 4 Hours of Le Castellet 2024, in accordance with the Art.14 of the FIA International Sporting Code (the ISC) within the 96 hours after the end of the race as specified in the Art. 14.4.1 of the ISC. The Stewards, after having extensively considered the matter, summoned and heard the team representatives namely Pierre Rouen and Julien Gerbi (Summons n. 2) by videoconference on Wednesday 22.5.2024, 10.30 hrs. and determine the following:

N° / Competitor 8 / TEAM VIRAGE

Session: Post Race

Fact: The competitor requires a review of the Steward´s decision n°35 of the 4 Hours of Le Castellet for car # 8 and seeking a review of the Stewards decision n°35 and requesting that the Stewards to consider such request and to make a determination whether or not a significant and relevant new element exists (Article 14.3 of the Code) in relation to the decision.

Offence: Art. 14 of FIA International Sporting Code.

Decision: The Stewards deny the Competitor´s Petition of a Review under Art. 14 of the ISC. There is no significant and relevant new element which was unavailable to the parties seeking the review at the time of the decision concerned.

Reason:

After the Race, the Stewards carefully examined the report on the driving times of the drivers in the race (handicaps, report of Stint Analysis). This report was then checked with Article 13.2.5 of the 2024 ELMS Sporting Regulations and Appendix 5 of these Regulations. After review, and according to the wording of the current regulations, driver #8 Bernardo Pinheiro cannot score points in this race due to the fact that he did not meet the minimum driving time for the scoring of points in the race as specified in Article 13.2.5 and Appendix 5 of the 2024 ELMS Sporting Regulations.

In the request for a review of decision 35 for driver #8, it was stated that the team was aware of the mistake that driver Pinheiro had only 31 minutes in the car instead of the required 40 minutes to score points. As the team further states, they had the time slot and one stop more to get driver Pinheiro back in the car to meet the point allocation limit. Due to personal reasons from Mr. Pinheiro he could not fulfil his normal driving time. A case of force majeure is not visible for the Stewards. The reasons are not relevant and significant to change the decision.

The three key points required under Art. 14.1.1 are not met and thus the Stewards deny the Competitor´s petition for the Right of Review.

The Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards, in accordance with the Art.15 of the FIA International Sporting Code, within the applicable time limits.



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Chairman of the Stewards



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