



EUROPEAN LE MANS SERIES
4 Hours of Imola
30th June - 5th July 2026

Decision no. 56

From: The Stewards
To: VECTOR SPORT

Date: 5 July 2026
Time: 22:00

The Stewards, having received a report from the ELMS Race Director, summoned and heard from the Competitor's Representative (Summons No.20), have considered the following matter and determine the following:

N° / Driver: 10 / Pietro FITTIPALDI
Competitor: VECTOR SPORT
Session: After Race
Time (fact): 17:04:33
Fact: Car 10 after receiving the end of race signal proceeded into the pit lane and did not go directly to Parc Ferme.
Offence: Breach of Art. 15.1.1 of ELMS Sporting Regulations
Decision: Disqualification of car 10 from Race results.
All cars originally classified behind car 10 are moved up one place in the Race final classification.

Reason:

The Stewards received a report from the Race Director together with circuit CCTV footage. The Stewards summoned and heard from the Competitor's Representative. All parties viewed CCTV footage that showed car 10 not proceeding to the designated Parc Ferme area on the main straight, but instead driving into the pit lane. The Team Representative stated that the driver had acknowledged his mistake as he entered the pits and had stopped the car near to the first pit box, believing this to be the best thing to do - the team had informed him not to reverse the car out of the pit lane, but did not instruct him to take any further action specifically to seek guidance from an official.

The Team Representative admitted that the team, noting the mistake, had not made contact with either the Technical Delegate, Race Control or any other Official to ask what they should do about the car not being in the correct place and specifically not being in Parc Ferme.

The Stewards reviewed the Briefing Presentation of the Race Director, (Doc. No.21) as confirmed in Stewards Bulletin n.4 (Doc. No.22) and specifically the diagram that shows the Post Race Parc Fermé being solely on the main straight. The location is also stated in Appendix 1 (Doc.No. 1).

The Stewards noted the terminology of article 15.1.1 of the ELMS 2026 Sporting Regulations which specifically states that *'after receiving the end-of-race signal, all cars must proceed on the circuit directly to the Parc Ferme without stopping and without any assistance ... under their own power. Personnel from the Competitor must be available in the vicinity of the Parc Ferme in order to help the Scrutineers.'*

The Stewards determine that there were no mitigating circumstances to relate to why the driver did not proceed directly to Parc Ferme, nor why the Team did not directly seek the guidance of Race Control or the Technical Officials. Furthermore, the personnel to be in the vicinity of Parc Fermé, had they been available from the Team, could have sought information from the Technical Officials.

The Stewards further noted that the Team, having been immediately aware of the car not being in Parc Fermé did not take any action to attempt to resolve the situation.

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 5 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules, within the applicable time limits (both documents can be found at <https://www.fia.com>).



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