



EUROPEAN LE MANS SERIES  
4 Hours of Spa-Francorchamps  
18<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2026

Decision no. 30

From: The Stewards  
To: TEAM VIRAGE

Date: 22 August 2026  
Time: 09:54

The Stewards, having received a report from the ELMS Race Director, having heard the Competitor's Representative and 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:** 8 / Daniel NOGALES  
**Competitor:** TEAM VIRAGE  
**Session:** Free Practice 2  
**Time (fact):** 09:19:25  
**Fact:** Car 8 was released just as car 83 was passing. Car 8 drove in the working lane before entering the fast lane.  
**Offence:** Breach of Article 12.1.2 of 2026 ELMS Sporting Regulations  
**Decision:** 10 seconds Stop and Go.  
**Reason:** After hearing the Competitor's Representative and check the video evidence a second time, the Stewards consider that Car 8 was released whilst car 83 was passing, which obliged the driver of car 8 to drive along the working lane for a distance before finally moving into the fast lane. The Stewards determine that the car was released unsafely by the team. The penalty should be an opportunity to the team to release the car in a correct way.

According to Art. 12.3.4 of the FIA International Sporting Code and the article 7.4.3 of ELMS Sporting Regulations, this decision is not subject to appeal.

Michael Schwägerl  
Chairman of the Panel

Valerio Brizzolari  
International Steward

Yves Bacquellaine  
National Steward