
Date:	6.6.2021	Time:	23.00 hrs
Subject:	STEWARDS DECISION NO. 9	Document No:	2.11

To: The Competitor YOHAN ROSSEL of car No. 32
Crew YOHAN ROSSEL / ALEXANDRE CORIA

AND

CITROEN RACING

The Stewards, having received a report from the FIA Deputy Technical Delegate, summoned the representative of the above competitor, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

Facts In the post-even scrutineering the weight of the front subframe was found not to comply with the homologation form. The front subframe homologated weight is 12245g, with a tolerance of +5% / -2%, the maximum weight thus being 12857,25g. The weight of the part was measured at 12954g.

Offence Breach of Article 10.3.3 of the 2021 FIA International Sporting Code

Decision **A fine of €30,000** on CITROEN RACING, **€15,000 of this fine being applied with suspension of sentence** subject to no further breach of a similar nature – quality control error – at any WRC event until the end of the 2021 WRC season.

No further action is taken against the Competitor of car 32.

Reason The hearing was held on Sunday, 06th June 2021 at 20.15 hrs. The Stewards heard the competitor's representatives, Mr. Vincent Ducher (Team Manager) and Mr. Thomas Breton (Engineer) as well as Mr. Damien Arbonnier (Citroën Racing Technical Advisor). The FIA Technical Delegate (Mr. Jérôme Toquet) and the FIA Deputy Technical Delegate (Mr. Karmo Uusmaa) also attended the hearing.

Mr. Ducher, Mr. Breton and Mr. Arbonnier agreed that the weight of the part was above the homologated acceptance and that the scrutineering and weight procedure had been carried out correctly.

Mr. Ducher stated that the Team bought the car in September 2020 and that the car was still equipped with the original front subframe. The car has competed in 7 rallies since September 2020 and it is a standard procedure for the Team to repaint the part regularly (more or less after every Rally) in order for the part to remain waterproof.

All parties agreed that the subframe had not been altered in anyway after the production of the part.

Mr. Arbonnier confirmed that there is one external supplier that produces this part and performs a quality control check before the part is sent to CITROEN RACING. However, CITROEN RACING does not carry out any further quality control checks prior to using it in the assembly of new cars or delivering the part to its customers.

Mr. Breton explained that the spare front subframe was weighed in the scrutineering when they started to re-assemble their car. The weight of this spare part was measured at 12706 grams. This weight is within the allowed tolerance, but close to the limit.

After due deliberation, the Stewards conclude that this breach is fully ascribable to CITROEN RACING. Therefore, under Article 12.5.1 in conjunction with Article 12.3.1 of the 2021 FIA International Sporting Code, the penalty is imposed on CITROEN RACING.

Under the given circumstances, no further action is taken against the Competitor.

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.



Timo Rautiainen
The Stewards



Mathieu Remmerie



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This decision was notified by email to CITROEN RACING as below:

<i>Name (in block letters):</i>	DAMIEN ARBONNIER	<i>Date:</i>	6.6.2021
<i>Position within the team:</i>	CITROEN RACING TECHNICAL ADVISOR	<i>Time:</i>	23:10

This decision was notified by email to the Competitor’s officially nominated representative as below:

<i>Name (in block letters):</i>	VINCENT DUCHER	<i>Date:</i>	6.6.2021
<i>Position within the team:</i>	TEAM MANAGER	<i>Time:</i>	23:10

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