

## STEWARDS SUMMARY OF JUDICIAL OUTCOMES

**2018 VIRGIN AUSTRALIA SUPERCARS CHAMPIONSHIP – RACES 3,4,5 & 6**

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### **STEWARDS SUMMARY OF JUDICIAL OUTCOMES, Update #5: FINAL issued Sunday 25 March 2018 at 1600hrs.**

#### ***Matters from Race 6:***

##### *Deputy Race Director Incident Determinations*

At the request of 23Red Racing, the DRD investigated an Incident involving contact between Car #23, Michael Caruso, and Car #230, Will Davison, at Turn 3 on Lap 1 and determined the matter did not warrant referral to the Stewards as no Driver was wholly or predominately at fault for the Incident.

The Incident involving Cars #34, James Golding, Car #21, Tim Blanchard, Car #99, Anton de Pasquale 2 and Car #25, James Courtney, remains under investigation and it will be reconvened at the next round of the Championship.

##### *Stewards' Decisions – Penalties imposed*

The Stewards imposed the following penalties during the Race:

- 5 seconds on Car #6 for a Driving Infringement (Schedule B2, Article 2.1.1 – Careless Driving – contact with Car #99, Anton de Pasquale, at Turn 3 on Lap 1);
- a PLP equivalent Time Penalty (40 seconds) on Car #18 for a breach of the Safety Car Restart procedures (Rule D10.2.13 – any Car 2 or more laps behind the lead Car at the restart must reposition itself by driving through the Pit Lane).

#### ***Further Matters from Race 5:***

##### *Deputy Race Director Incident Determinations*

Following the receipt of new evidence from Car #15, Rick Kelly, the DRD re-opened his investigation into the Incident between Car #99, Anton de Pasquale, and Car #15, Rick Kelly, that occurred in Race 5. Upon considering the fresh evidence, the DRD determined that the matter did warrant a referral to the Stewards for a breach of the Rules.

##### *Stewards' Decisions – Penalties imposed*

Following a DRD investigation and an admission by Car #99, Anton de Pasquale, of a breach of Schedule B2, Article 2.1.1 (Careless Driving - failure to leave racing room at the exit of T13 resulting in Car #15, Rick Kelly, losing 4 positions) the Stewards imposed a 5 second post-race Time Penalty on Car #99, Anton de Pasquale.

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### **STEWARDS SUMMARY OF JUDICIAL OUTCOMES, Update #4: issued Saturday 24 March 2018 at 2025hrs.**

#### ***Matters from Race 5:***

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### Deputy Race Director Incident Determinations

At the request of Motorsport Holdings (Castrol Racing) the DRD conducted a post-race investigation into an alleged Incident involving Car #99, Anton de Pasquale, and Car #15, Rick Kelly, at Turn 11 on Lap 2 and determined the matter did not refer to the Stewards as no breach of the rules was established.

Following from the receipt of a Pit Lane Official's report, the DRD investigated an alleged Pit Lane Infringement (alleged unsafe Pit Bay release) by Car #15, Rick Kelly, and determined that the matter did not refer to the Stewards as no breach of the rules was established.

### Stewards' Decisions – Penalties imposed

During the Race the Stewards imposed the following Penalties:

- a Fine of \$3,000 and the loss of 30 Teams Championship points on Erebus Motorsport Pty Ltd for a breach of Rule D11.7.2 (During any Pit Stop all equipment and parts must always be under the complete control of the Designated Pit Crew – a wheel of Car #9 was observed to roll away from the Car during its Pit Stop);
- a 5 second Time Penalty was imposed on Car #25, James Courtney, for a Driving Infringement (breach of Schedule B2, Article 2.1.1 – Careless Driving – contact with Car #888, Craig Lowndes, at Turn 9);
- a Pit Lane Penalty was applied to Car #56, Richie Stanaway, for a Pit Lane Infringement (Rule D11.4.2 - Pit Lane Speed Limit – Car #56 at 44 kph at Pit Entry).

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## **STEWARDS SUMMARY OF JUDICIAL OUTCOMES, Update #3: issued Saturday 24 March 2018 at 1545hrs.**

### **Matters from Race 4:**

#### Deputy Race Director Incident Determinations

During the Race the DRD reviewed the Incident at Turn 12 on Lap 2 involving Car #97, Shane van Gisbergen, shortcutting the Circuit and determined the matter did not warrant referral to the Stewards as no breach of the rules was established.

The DRD conducted a post-race investigation into the Incident on Lap 3 at Turn 3 involving Car #35, Todd Hazelwood, Car #78, Simona de Silvestro and Car #33, Garth Tander, and determined that the matter did not warrant referral to the Stewards as no Driver was wholly or predominately blame for the Incident.

At the request of Triple Eight Race Engineering, the DRD conducted a post-race investigation into the Incident on Lap 9 at Turn 15 involving Car #7, Andre Heimgartner, and Car #888 Craig Lowndes, and determined the matter did not warrant referral to the Stewards as no breach of the rules was established.

### Stewards' Decisions – Penalties imposed

During the Race the Stewards imposed a 15 second Time Penalty on Car #19, Jack Le Brocq, for a Driving Infringement (breach of Schedule B2, Article 2.1.1 – Careless Driving – contact with Car #25, James Courtney, at Turn 5 on Lap 6).

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### STEWARDS SUMMARY OF JUDICIAL OUTCOMES, Update #2: issued Saturday 24 March 2018 at 1000hrs.

#### **Matters from Race 3:**

##### Deputy Race Director Incident Determinations

At the request of Garry Rogers Motorsport, post-race the DRD investigated an alleged Incident involving Car #21, Tim Blanchard, and Car #34, James Golding, at Turn 13 and determined the matter did not warrant referral to the Stewards as the evidence did not reveal any breach of the rules.

##### Stewards' Decisions – Penalties imposed

During its Pit Stop, a wheel from Car #56, Richie Stanaway, was observed by a Supercars Official to roll from the working lane and cross into the fast lane of Pit Lane. The Stewards imposed a Fine of \$3,000 and the loss of 30 Teams Championship points on Tickford Racing for a breach of Rule D11.7.2 (During any Pit Stop all equipment and parts must always be under the complete control of the Designated Pit Crew).

Following a post-race DRD investigation and an admission by Car #78, Simona De Silvestro, of a breach of Schedule B2, Article 2.1.1 (Careless Driving –contact with Car #19 at Turn 15 in Race 3), the Stewards imposed the penalty of the Loss of twenty-five (25) 2018 Virgin Australia Supercars Championship points on Car #78, Simona De Silvestro.

#### **Matters from Qualifying for Race 6:**

##### Deputy Race Director Incident Determinations

Nil.

##### Stewards' Decisions – Penalties imposed

As the best time achieved by Car #25, James Courtney, in qualifying for Race 6 exceeded the specified qualifying time cut-off, it was necessary for Car #25 to seek permission of the Stewards to start Race 6. After hearing from the Authorised Representative for Car #25, the Stewards are satisfied there were exceptional circumstances and give permission for Car #25, James Courtney, to start Race 6.

As the best time achieved by Car #97, Shane van Gisbergen, in qualifying for Race 6 exceeded the specified qualifying time cut-off, it was necessary for Car #97 to seek permission of the Stewards to start Race 6. After hearing from the Authorised Representative for Car #97, the Stewards are satisfied there were exceptional circumstances and give permission for Car #97, Shane van Gisbergen, to start Race 6.

#### **Matters from Qualifying for Race 5:**

##### Deputy Race Director Incident Determinations

Nil.

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Following a DRD investigation and an admission by Car #35, Todd Hazlewood, of a breach of Schedule B2, Article 2.1.1 (Careless Driving – impeding Car #18, Lee Holdsworth, at Turn 13) the Stewards imposed the penalty of a 5 progressive Grid Spot Penalty on Car #35, Todd Hazlewood, commencing from Race 5 in the 2018 Virgin Australia Supercars Championship.

### Stewards' Decisions – Penalties imposed

Nil.

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## **STEWARDS SUMMARY OF JUDICIAL OUTCOMES, Update #1: issued Friday 23 March 2018 at 1000hrs.**

### **Matters from Event Rides:**

#### Deputy Race Director Incident Determinations

See below.

### Stewards' Decisions – Penalties imposed

Following a post-session DRD investigation and an admission by Car #18, Lee Holdsworth, of a breach of Rule E.6.3.2 (the Driver must maintain control of the Car and must use the Race Track at all times during a Ride), the Stewards imposed the penalty of a Fine of \$5,000, \$2,500 suspended until 31/12/18, on Car #18, Lee Holdsworth.

Following a post-session DRD investigation and an admission by Car #56, Richie Stanaway, of a breach of Rule E.6.7.2.5 (During an Event Ride Session is not permitted to perform a practice start), the Stewards imposed the penalty of a Fine of \$5,000, \$2,500 suspended until 31/12/18, on Car #56, Richie Stanaway.

### **Matters from Practice 1:**

#### Deputy Race Director Incident Determinations

Nil.

### Stewards' Decisions – Penalties imposed

Nil.

### **Matters from Practice 2:**

#### Deputy Race Director Incident Determinations

Nil.

### Stewards' Decisions – Penalties imposed

Nil.

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### ***Matters from Qualifying for Race 3:***

#### *Deputy Race Director Incident Determinations*

Preston Hire Racing (Car #18, Lee Holdsworth) requested an investigation into an alleged breach of Rule D6.1.5 (Car must remain in Pit Lane while not on the Race Track) by Car #8, Nick Percat, and Car #14, Tim Slade. The DRD investigated the issue and determined no breach of the rules occurred (as the ST&D had granted permission for those Cars to be removed from Pit Lane before they were).

#### *Stewards' Decisions – Penalties imposed*

As the best time achieved by Car #35, Todd Hazlewood, in qualifying for Race 3 exceeded the specified qualifying time cut-off, it was necessary for Car #35 to seek permission of the Stewards to start Race 3. After hearing from the Authorised Representative for Car #35, the Stewards are satisfied there were exceptional circumstances and give permission for Car #35, Todd Hazlewood, to start Race 3.

### ***Matters from Qualifying for Race 4:***

#### *Deputy Race Director Incident Determinations*

See below.

#### *Stewards' Decisions – Penalties imposed*

Following a DRD investigation and an admission by Car #34, James Golding, of a breach of Schedule B2, Article 2.1.1 (Careless Driving – impeding of Car #888, Craig Lowndes, at Turn 9 during the session), the Stewards imposed the penalty of the Loss of 5 Grid Spots in Race 4 of the Virgin Australia Supercars Championship on Car #34, James Golding.

Chris McMahon

**Chair, CAMS Stewards (Supercars)**