

2nd & 3rd EVENT OF LATVIAN RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP RALLY "LIEPAJA 2020"

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From : The Steward
To: The competitor of car N° 56 Name: **8000 RPM**
Crew: **Aurimas Eidžiūnas/ Gediminas Saudargas**

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The Steward, having received a report from the Technical Delegate, having summoned and heard the team representatives (Summons No 01, Doc. No. 4.1), has considered the following matter, determines the following:

Fact: During pre-event scrutineering, car no. 56 was found with two tubes of safety cage damaged.

Offence: Breach of ISC Appendix J Art. 253.8.1; "Any modification to a homologated or certified safety cage is forbidden."

Decision:

- 1. The competitors must replace the tubes of the safety cage with unmodified parts.**
- 2. If the roll cage is repaired by the time of LK0 on 15.08.2020. The Chief Scrutineer may decide whether the repair of the safety cage is acceptable.**
- 3. If the Chief Scrutineer will not approve the safety cage on 15.08.2020, before the time of LK0, the competitor will be disqualified (not allowed to start).**

Reason: Hearing the team representatives, they admit that the tubes of the roll cage are bend and understand, that the tubes are a part of the homologated safety cage.

Appendix J, Art. 253.8.1 is noticeably clear: "Any modification to a homologated or certified safety cage is forbidden. To be considered as a modification, any process made to the cage by machining, welding, that involves a permanent modification of the material or the safety cage. All repairs to a homologated or certified safety cage, damaged after an accident must be carried out by the manufacturer of the cage or with his approval."

The Steward concluded that the car may not participate in the rally if the safety cage is not according to the regulations. The Steward made the decision based on FIA Regional Rally Sporting Regulations Art. 31.1.7. "After scrutineering, if a car is found not to comply with technical and/or safety regulations, the car must be made to comply and re-scrutineered at a time and location mentioned in the supplementary regulations. If the car will still not comply with the regulations, the Stewards, upon the proposal of the Chief Technical Delegate, may refuse the start."

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 Article 9.1.1 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules, within the applicable time limits.

In application of Article 12.2.3.b of the 2020 FIA International Sporting Code, this Decision becomes immediately binding even in the event of an appeal as it concerns a question of safety.

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