

RACE 5 & 6: ASIAN LE MANS SERIES – ABU DHABI

12 - 16 FEBRUARY 2025

From: The Panel of Stewards **Decision No. 58**

To: The Competitor's Representative
Bretton Racing **Date:** 16 February 2025

Time: 00:35 (Doc 099)

The Stewards, having received a protest from Car 26 Bretton Racing, summoned and heard the driver of Car 15 and team representative(s) of both Cars 15 and 26, and having considered the matter extensively, determine the following:

No / Driver: 26
Competitor: Bretton Racing
Time: 17:03:33
Session: Race 1
Fact: Car 26 alleged that Car 15 (Chris Short, RLR M Sport) improved their Sector 2 time, their Sector 3 time and their overall lap time whilst under double yellow flags in Sectors 2 and 3 on Lap 17 of Race 1.
Offence: Alleged a breach of ALMS Sporting Regulations Art. 9.1.11 and ISC Appendix H Art.2.5.5.b).
Decision: Protest rejected and the protest fee retained.

Reason:

Car 26 submitted a protest at 1953 hours after Race 1. The parties were summoned (Documents 94 & 95) and an admissibility hearing held as per the FIA Protest Checklist at 2053 hours. The protest was deemed admissible and the matter of the protest shared with all parties.

The parties confirmed they understood the protest matter. The driver of Car 15 was asked by the Chairperson if he wanted to submit a statement as evidence. The driver declined as he could not remember the specific lap and stated a preference to understand the data before making formal statement. The protest hearing was then suspended at 2115 hours to allow evidence gathering and analysis.

The Stewards gathered timing data, car data and video footage. All evidence was assessed and evaluated. As part of their investigation, the Stewards concluded that:

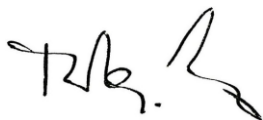
- There were no double yellow flags in sector 2 and thus dismissed this part of the protest.
- The double yellow flags were in sector 3, starting after intermediate line 2 and finishing with a green flag at Turn 11.
- Car data proved that Car 15 had reduced their speed through this part of the sector by 0.35 seconds compared with the previous unrestricted lap, thus demonstrating

compliance with ALMS Sporting Regulations Art. 9.1.11 and ISC Appendix H Art.2.5.5.b).

The hearing was resumed at 2239 hours where all evidence was presented to both parties. The parties confirmed their agreement with the evidence and the Stewards pronounced their decision.

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, within the applicable time limits.

The Panel of Stewards:



Rikki Dy-Liacco

Chairman of the Stewards



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International Steward



Jeremy Doncaster

National Steward

Acknowledgement:

Signature: _____

Date/Time: _____

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