

## 2023 BRITISH GRAND PRIX

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The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, summoned (documents 32 & 33) and heard from the drivers and team representatives, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

**No / Driver** 24 - Zhou Guanyu

**Competitor** Alfa Romeo F1 Team Stake

**Time** 15:14

**Session** Qualifying

**Fact** Car 24 impeded car 31 in turn 11.

**Infringement** Alleged breach of Article 37.5 of the FIA Formula One Sporting Regulations.

**Decision** No further action.

**Reason** The Stewards heard from the driver of Car 24 (Zhou Guanyu), the driver of Car 31 (Esteban Ocon), team representatives and reviewed video, team radio and in-car video evidence.

Zhou was on an out lap during Q1 and was at the exit of Turn 11 and driving slowly on the racing line and thereby impeded Ocon who was on a fast lap. However, in the hearing Zhou explained that he had to go slow to avoid Hamilton in front of him and had to stay on the left side of the track because as he entered the turn he was passed on the right by Bottas and could not have moved off the line without causing an unsafe situation. This was confirmed by his in-car camera. Both drivers agreed that while Ocon was impeded there was not much that Zhou could have safely done in the conditions to avoid the incident and thus the Stewards take no further action.

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.

Decisions of the Stewards are taken independently of the FIA and are based solely on the relevant regulations, guidelines and evidence presented.

**Tim Mayer**

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