

# Race Direction Communication #1

## To all teams and riders:

Estoril May 5th 2022.

Dear all,

Please take in consideration the following rules changes applicable from today.

### **SPORTING REGULATIONS**

**Art. 1.19.2; Art. 1.25.1, 2, 3 & 4; Art. 1.26.4**

#### **1.19 RACE PENALTIES PROCEDURES**

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##### **1.19.2 Long Lap(s) Penalty Procedure**

During a race, a rider may be instructed to complete one or two Long Lap(s) Penalty procedure. The rider must ride through the pre-defined route, **which is usually on an unpainted asphalt runoff area, defined by white lines on either side.**

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#### **1.25 INTERRUPTION OF A RACE**

##### **1.25.1**

If the Race Director decides to interrupt a race at any point from the start of the warm up lap onwards, then red flags will be displayed at the finish line and at all marshals' posts the red lights/flags **will be displayed around** the circuit. Riders must immediately slow down and return to the pit lane.

The results will be the results taken at the last point where the leader had completed a full lap without the red flag being displayed, **and the classification established as follows:**

- a) **For all the riders who had crossed the finish line on the same lap as the leader before the red flag was shown, a partial classification will be established at the end of this lap.**
- b) **For all the riders who had not crossed the finish line on the same lap as the leader before the red flag was shown, a partial classification will be established at the end of the previous lap.**

- c) The complete classification will be established by combining both partial classifications as per the lap/time procedure.
- d) **Riders who have entered pit lane, which then closes due to a red flag, may be classified according to the number of laps completed and the time of crossing the virtual finish line in the pit lane as follows:**
  - If the rider has crossed the virtual finish line in pit lane, this time is used as the finish time.
  - If the rider has not crossed the virtual finish line in pit lane, the rider's last crossing of the finish line is used (in these cases 1.24.2.b requiring the rider to cross the finish line on track does not apply).

At the time the red flag is displayed, riders who are not actively competing in the race will not be classified (See Art. 1.35).

Within 5 minutes after the red flag has been displayed, riders who have not entered the pit lane, crossing the designated pit lane entry timing point, **together with** their motorcycle, will not be classified.

An exemption may be granted in exceptional circumstances (eg. post-race celebration in an interrupted race deemed to have been completed as per Art.1.25.4).

#### 1.25.2

If the results calculated show that less than three laps have been completed by the leader of the race, then the race will be null and void and a completely new race will be run.

If it is found impossible to re-start the race, then it will be declared cancelled and the race will not count for the Championship.

#### 1.25.3

If three laps or more have been completed by the leader of the race, but less than two thirds of the original race distance, rounded down to the nearest whole number of laps, then the race will be restarted according to Art. 1.26. If it is found impossible to restart the race, then the results will count, and half points will be awarded in the Championship.

#### 1.25.4

If the results calculated show that two-thirds of the race distance rounded down to the nearest whole number of laps have been completed by the leader of the race, the race will be deemed to have been completed and full Championship points will be awarded.

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### 1.26 RE-STARTING A RACE THAT HAS BEEN INTERRUPTED

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#### 1.26.4

Conditions for the re-started race will be as follows:

- i) In the case of situation described in Art. 1.25.2 (less than 3 laps completed) above:

- a) All riders may start, including riders who may not have completed the sighting or warm up lap for the original start.
  - b) Motorcycles may be repaired or changed. Refueling is permitted.
  - c) The number of laps will be two-thirds of the original race distance rounded down to the nearest whole number of laps.
  - d) The grid positions will be as for the original race.
- i) In the case of situation described in Art. 1.25.3 (3 laps or more and less than two-thirds completed):
- a) Only riders who are classified as finishers, as per Art. 1.25, in the first race may re-start.
  - b) Motorcycles may be repaired. Refueling is permitted.
  - c) The number of laps of the second race will be the number of laps required to complete two-thirds of the original race distance rounded down to the nearest whole number of laps with a minimum of 5 laps.
  - d) The grid position will be based on the finishing order of the first race.
- Riders who are classified 1 full lap down (having been lapped by the race leader) in the first race will start the restarted race from Pit Lane.**
- Riders who are classified 2 or more full laps down (having been lapped by the race leader) in the first race will not be eligible to restart.**
- e) The final race classification will be established according to the position and the consolidated number of laps of each rider at the time he crossed the finish line at the end of the last part of the race. Provisions of Art. 1.24.2 will apply (**except 1.24.2.b. for riders in pit lane who may cross the virtual finish line in pit lane**).

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