



## F4 United States Championship

### Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course

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<b>From</b>	The Stewards	<b>Document</b>	306
<b>To</b>	Velocity Racing Development No. 22 – Driver Nico Christodoulou	<b>Date</b>	26 May 2021
	DC Autosport No. 71 – Driver Rodrigo Gutierrez	<b>Time</b>	18:10

At the conclusion of F4 Race 1, the Stewards received a protest from the Team Representative of the No. 22 Velocity Racing Development car, protesting the actions of the No. 71 DC Autosport car (Document F4P-02).

The protest was for a violation of Sporting Article 19.4 (More than one change of direction to defend a position in not permitted. Any driver moving back towards the racing line, having earlier defended his position off-line, should leave at least one car width between his own car and the edge of the track on the approach to the corner).

The Stewards reviewed video from the No. 22 and the No. 71 car, and then summoned and heard from drivers Nico Christodoulou and Rodrigo Gutierrez, and team representatives Dan Mitchell and Don Conner. The Stewards then made the following decisions:

The Protest was determined to be timely and admissible. Upon consideration, the Stewards uphold the Protest filed by Velocity Racing Development No. 22 against the DC Autosport No. 71.

The Stewards find the following – The No. 71 violated Sporting Regulations Article 19.4. In addition, the Stewards find that No. 71 violated Article 15.1.d (Caused a collision), Article 15.1.e (Forced a driver off the track) and Article 15.5.1.i (Any unsafe act or failure to take reasonable measures, thus resulting in an unsafe situation or are detrimental to auto racing, open-wheel/single-seater racing, SCCA, SCCA Pro Racing, promoters, sponsors, participants or fans).

The Stewards penalize the No. 71 with a 10 grid-place penalty for the driver's next race, and 4 driver license points.

As the protest was upheld, the Stewards direct that the protest fee be returned to the protestor.

The Competitor is reminded of his right to appeal in accordance with Article 16.2 of the Sporting Regulations except where the penalties are not susceptible to appeal (Articles 16.1.4.d and 16.2.5 of the Sporting Regulations).

**Pat di Natale**  
**Steward (Chairman)**

**Wes Cunningham**  
**Steward**

**John Walsh**  
**Steward**

**Received by the Competitor:**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_