

## **F4 United States Championship**

## Virginia International Raceway

## 6 – 9 October 2022

From	The Stewards	Document	Stewards Decision 501
To	The Team Manager	Date	7 October 2022
	Gonella Racing	Time	14:00

The Stewards, having received a report from the Technical Delegate (Document No F4-2022-05-01), having examined photographic evidence, summoned and heard from driver Tyke Durst and team representative Ernie Gonella, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

**No/Driver** 17 – Tyke Durst

**Competitor** Gonella Racing

**Time** 11:32

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**Session** Practice

**Facts** Based on a determination by judges of fact, the car took part in the official practice session using

a set of tires that had not been scrubbed in accordance with the Sporting Regulations. A hearing was held with the driver and team representative. During the hearing, Mr. Gonella stated that their intention was to scrub the set of tires at the end of the last test session, but were unable to do so due to a late red flag. The stewards note that the markings around the perimeter of the tires

were still visible.

Offence Breach of Article 24.5 of the Sporting Regulations read with F4 Technical Rule Bulletin TRBF4-

2022-04.

**Decision** F4 #17 will start at the back of the grid for qualifying.

**Reason** The Stewards determined that the car used a set of tires for the official Practice session that had

not been scrubbed in accordance with the Sporting Regulations. In coming to that determination, the Stewards considered the visible markings around the perimeter of the tires as evidence that

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they had not been through at least one heat-cycle as required by TRBF4-2022-04.

Competitors are reminded that they have the right to appeal certain decisions of the Stewards in accordance with Article 16.2 of the Sporting Regulations, except where the penalties are <u>not</u> susceptible to appeal (Articles 16.1.4.d, 16.2.2.e and 16.2.5 of the Sporting Regulations), within the applicable time limits.

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