



F4 United States Championship

Circuit of the Americas

2 – 4 November 2022

From	The Stewards	Document	Stewards Decision 616
To	The Team Manager	Date	3 November 2022
	Crosslink Kiwi Motorsport	Time	20:10

The Stewards, having received a protest from Velocity Racing Development (VRD) on behalf of driver Noah Ping (F4 #65) (Document No F4-P5-COTA), having examined video evidence, summoned and heard from driver Noah Ping and team representative Dan Mitchell (VRD) and driver Bryson Morris and team representative Stephen Giles (Crosslink Kiwi Motorsport), have considered the following matter and determine the following:

No/Driver	39 – Bryson Morris
Competitor	Crosslink Kiwi Motorsport
Time	14:02
Session	Race 2
Facts	VRD filed a protest against F4 #39 alleging that the car gained an advantage in car position by crossing the blend line at pit exit. During the Drivers Meeting, the Race Director instructed the drivers that they were not to cross the blend line in order to attempt a pass on the straight leading to turn 1. The Stewards reviewed the protest, found it to be timely and admissible, and summoned the drivers and team representatives for a hearing at 15:10.
Offence	Breach of Article 22.3 of the Sporting Regulations as supplemented by the Race Director's instructions during the Drivers Meeting.
Decision	5 second time penalty added to the elapsed race time of F4 #39 and 1 penalty point on the driver's license.
Reason	The Stewards determined that car 39 crossed the blend line at pit exit in order to gain a position over car 65. The Stewards uphold the protest and direct the protest deposit to be returned to the protestor.

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 not 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.

Pat diNatale

Steward (Chairman)

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