



FIA FORMULA E WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND 14&15 - TOKYO E-PRIX 23 - 26 JULY 2026

Decision no. 20

From: The Stewards
To: Envision Racing

Date: 25 July 2026
Time: 22:10

The Stewards, having received a report from the FIA Race Director, having examined (video and onboard footage) evidence, have considered the following matter, determine the following:

N° / Driver: 16 / Sébastien Buemi
Competitor: Envision Racing
Session: Race
Time (fact): 20:27
Fact: Car 16 caused a collision with Car 48 at Turn 15.
Offence: Breach of Article 16.1 d) of the 2025/2026 FIA Formula E World Championship Sporting Regulations.

Decision:

5 Second Time Penalty (1 penalty point awarded, 9 in total) converted into a Drop of 3 grid positions for the next Race in which the Driver takes part, according to Article 16.3 of the 2025/2026 FIA Formula E World Championship Sporting Regulations.

Reason:

The Stewards heard from both drivers and their Team Representatives. The driver of Car 48 submitted that, in accordance with the Driving Standards Guidelines for an inside overtake, Car 16 had not established the required overlap before turn-in and was therefore not entitled to racing room. The driver of Car 16 considered the manoeuvre to be a legitimate overtaking attempt and maintained that he had done nothing wrong.

The driver of Car 16 attempted to overtake Car 48 on the inside of Turn 15. At no stage before turn-in did Car 16 have its front axle sufficiently alongside the side mirror of Car 48 to establish the required overlap and be entitled to racing room. Car 16 subsequently made contact with the left-hand side of Car 48 using its right-front wheel.

As a result of the contact, Car 48 was forced slightly wide, lost traction on corner exit and consequently lost the position to Car 16 on the following straight.

The Stewards noted that Car 16 was in Attack Mode and that Car 48 adopted a slightly aggressive defensive line. However, the difference in power mode does not alter the positional entitlement of either car, and the responsibility for completing the overtake safely remained with Car 16.

Accordingly, the Stewards determine that the driver of Car 16 was responsible for the collision. As Car 16 gained an advantage by overtaking Car 48 as a consequence of the contact and did not relinquish the position, the Stewards impose the above mentioned 5-second time penalty. The penalty is converted into a Drop of 3 grid positions for the next Race in which the Driver takes part.

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 5 of the FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules, within the applicable time limits.

Gerd Ennser
Chairman of the Panel

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