

## 2023 AZERBAIJAN GRAND PRIX

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The Stewards, having received a report from the Race Director, have considered the following matter and determine the following:

**No / Driver** 22 - Yuki Tsunoda

**Competitor** Scuderia AlphaTauri

**Time** 17:38

**Session** Sprint

**Fact** Release of Car 22 in an unsafe condition during the Sprint.

**Offence** Breach of Article 34.14 d) of the FIA Formula One Sporting Regulations.

**Decision** The competitor (Scuderia AlphaTauri) is fined €5,000.

**Reason** The Stewards heard from the driver of Car 22 (Yuki Tsunoda) and a team representative and reviewed positioning/marshalling system data, video, timing, team radio and in-car video evidence and determined that the team released Car 22 in an unsafe condition. Car 22 had entered the pits after a shunt at Turn 13 of Lap 1 where the right rear tyre had come off and the rim was touching the track. The driver had indicated to the team while returning to the pits that the shunt was significant and that he did not think it was possible to continue.

The team apparently did a visual check on the car, refitted a new tyre and rim and released the car. The right rear suspension failed almost immediately after the release and the car had to be driven slowly back to the pits and retired.

We considered that the team could have done more to check if the car was safe before releasing it. The team representative acknowledged that more could have been done.

In the circumstances, we imposed a €5,000 fine on the team.

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

**Nish Shetty**

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