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## FIM WorldSBK Stewards Panel - Information

## ACERBIS Spanish Round - Jerez de la Frontera (ESP)

For 2019 the duties of the FIM World Superbike Race Direction has changed. Race Direction are responsible for operational matters, the FIM Stewards Panel are responsible for adjudicating infringements of the regulations and the issuing of sanctions.

On 8th June 2019, during the last lap of the FIM World Superbike Race 1 there was an incident at Turn 13 involving Riders Nr.1 and Nr.22, which resulted in the crash of Nr.22.

The incident was placed under investigation and shortly afterwards a protest was received against Rider Nr.1. The protesting party were advised that the matter was being investigated however chose to place an official protest.

The investigation required the FIM Stewards Panel to interview both riders in order to hear their view of the events. The interview with Rider #22 was delayed due to his requiring medical attention. Additional video footage also had to be sourced and examined to gather as complete a picture as possible of the events.

As the FIM World Supersport 300 race was taking place at the same time, both the FIM Stewards Panel and the Race Direction camera resources were engaged during this period. As such the additional video footage could only be sourced afterwards.

Having interviewed both riders and reviewed all available video footage the FIM Stewards Panel convened to discuss the incident in detail, and reached the unanimous decision that the incident and subsequent crash of Rider #22 was a result of irresponsible riding on the part of Rider #1, according to Article 1.21.2 of the 2019 FIM World Superbike, World Supersport and World Supersport 300 regulations.

The penalty issued is considered to be commensurate with the seriousness of the incident.

## About the FIM (www.fim-live.com)

The FIM (Fédération Internationale de Motocyclisme) founded in 1904, is the governing body for motorcycle sport and the global advocate for motorcycling. The FIM is an independent association formed by 111 National Federations throughout the world. It is recognised as the sole competent authority in motorcycle sport by the International Olympic Committee (IOC). Among its 50 FIM World Championships the main events are MotoGP, Superbike, Endurance, Motocross, Supercross, Trial, Enduro, Cross-Country Rallies and Speedway. Furthermore, the FIM is also active and involved in the following areas: public affairs, road safety, touring and protection of the environment. The FIM was the first international sports federation to impose an Environmental Code in 1994.