

# EKO Acropolis Rally

31 May – 3 June 2018



Date: **Thursday, 31<sup>st</sup> May 2018**  
Subject: **Stewards Decision N° 3**

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From: *The Stewards*

To: *The competitor with car no 7* Name: **TSOULOFTAS ALEXANDROS**

Crew: **TSOULOFTAS Alexandros-CHRYSOSTOMOU Antonis**

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The Stewards received a report by the FIA Technical Delegate (Doc. No. 6.5) stating that during the pre-event scrutineering the co-drivers' helmet was found incorrect. The FIA TD confiscated the helmet and presented it as an evidence to the Stewards.

**Fact:** The FIA homologation label and the Snell2015 label are not original. Furthermore, the mandatory holographic sticker is not holographic, and it's printed together with the "homologation label". The helmet shows physical damages (cracks) on the shell.

**Offence:** Non-compliance with Appendix L, Chapter III Art. 1.1 of the 2018 FIA International Sporting Code.  
Non-compliance with Technical List No. 49 – Standard 8859-2015  
Infringement according Art. 12.1.1.c of 2018 FIA International Sporting Code

**Decision:** **Fine of 1.500 € to the competitor**  
**To report the matter to the Cyprus ASN**

**Reason:** According to Art. 26.1.2 of the FIA Regional Rally Regulation at scrutineering, the competitor must present all items of clothing, including helmets and an FIA-approved head retaining device (FHR), intended to be used. The compliance with ISC Appendix L Chapter III will be checked. During this pre-event scrutineering the scrutineers found out that the helmet was not in conformity with the regulations of Appendix L. According to Appendix L, Chapter III Art. 1.1 it is mandatory, that drivers must wear crash helmets homologated to FIA standard 8859-2015. According the Technical List no 49 the helmets must have a label affixed inside the helmet on the liner. **It shall be of destruct-on-removal foil type to avoid tampering and copying. Also, the FIA Stickers be affixed inside the helmets.** The co-drivers' helmet which was presented during scrutineering shows none of the above-mentioned labels. **All labels in the helmet are self-made printed labels. All are fakes!**

The team was summoned, and the co-driver explains that is not his helmet. He got the helmet from the team (competitor). The driver and the team manager explained that they have bought the helmet 3 years ago (with 2 others) in the Internet. They cannot explain why the stickers in this helmet are not correct. When they were told by the scrutineers, they immediately bought a new helmet. Safety is an important issue for them.

According to Art. 12.1.1.c of the FIA ISC, any fraudulent conduct is being considered a breach of regulations. Art. 12.1.2 of ISC states that offences or infringements are punishable, whether they were committed intentionally or through negligence.

The normal penalty of the fraudulent conduct will be a disqualification. Since the team could present a new helmet which will be used during the rally, the Stewards decided to give a strong fine instead of disqualifying the competitor.

In application of Art. 12.3.1.b and Art. 12.4.1 of the 2018 International Sporting Code,

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According article 12.7.3 of the International Sporting Code, the payment of the fines will have to be done online at the following address: <https://fiafines.fia.com>. **Payment must be made within 48 hours.**

The Competitor is reminded of his right to appeal which is stipulated in the 2018 FIA International Sporting Code and in the 2018 FIA Judicial and Disciplinary Rules.

**Uwe M. SCHMIDT**  
FIA Chairman of the Stewards

**Antonio ANDRADE**  
FIA Steward

**Anita PASSALIS**  
ASN Steward

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Received by:

Name:

Competitor: **TSOULOFTAS ALEXANDROS**

Car No: 7

Crew: **TSOULOFTAS Alexandros-CHRYSTOSTOMOU Antonis**

Date:

Time:

Signature:

9.00 p.m.

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We will not appeal