

OLFSL Appeals Arbiter Decision – 19 June 2010
OLFSL S2 Fastlap Fury – Event 3, Kyoto GP, UFR+XFR, Pool 1

A complaint was registered relating to *The Original LFS League (OLFSL) S2 Fastlap Fury, Event 3, Aston Club reverse, Pool 1, which was held on 9 May 2010.

The complaint was filed by [Fluid] indie against GTS Ady relating to an incident which occurred on Lap 1, at the chicane after the back straight.

In my capacity as the Appeals Arbiter, I have investigated the incident. I have extensively reviewed the Pool 1 replay from multiple cars/angles, and I hereby set out my analysis and conclusions.

Relevant OLFSL Rules

Relevant OLFSL rules (emphasis added) to take into consideration in this case include:

In general: Take care to race clean/fair, i.e. do not hit other cars or obstacles. [...].

OLFSL applies and enforces the RaceSIM Rules of Racing (formerly Clean Racers Club rules).

C-2: You must drive responsibly, in a way that will not ruin the enjoyment for others.

CT-5: The behind driver has a responsibility to not run into the back of a ahead driver. The ahead driver does not have to try to avoid you. If all else fails, the behind driver should run their own car off the track to avoid such a collision.

Penalties apply for the following

- Breaking the Racing rules (including the RaceSIM Rules of Racing (formerly Clean Racers Club rules)) defined above.
- Any other form of unsportsmanlike behaviour, as determined by the Appeals Arbiter.

Analysis of Pool 1, Lap 1, Turn 1

The MPR replay shows the following:

Given that this is Lap 1, many cars are close together. Driving is competitive, with some bumping going on, but clear caution is also being exercised by drivers.

The incident that is the subject of the complaint occurs at the entry of the chicane after the back straight, involving cars competing for positions 5-10.

GTS Ady has momentum from slipstreaming cars ahead (including [Fluid] indie who had to lift off earlier to take avoiding action for another a car). GTS Ady is positioned in the middle of the track approaching the entry of the chicane. The two cars immediately ahead brake to enter the chicane, GTS Ady does not brake at the same point, and runs into the rear of the car of [Fluid] indie, causing [Fluid] indie to spin off to the left side of the track, to be hit by another car, and contact occurs again with GTS Ady. As a result, GTS Ady punches through the tyre wall on the right side of the track, and also spins off. Considerable further havoc is created by both offs.

Appeals Arbiter Conclusion and Decision

The evidence at hand indicates that GTS Ady did not drive responsibly in the dense traffic circumstances ahead and behind, and that a breach of the OLFSL rule on not hitting other cars and of RaceSIM Rule of Racing CT-5 occurred, given that GTS Ady did not brake prior to running into the rear of [Fluid] indie.

A First Warning and penalty are therefore warranted.

[GTS Ady](#) is given a 30 second time penalty, resulting in a move down to position 23 in the final race results, and is placed under specific supervision going forward.

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This decision is final, and is taken in the interests of making sure that OLFSL is a fun and fair play league for all drivers, irrespective of their skill level.

We hope and trust that you will all understand this decision, and that you will behave in accordance with the rules and take into account the precedents set by OLFSL Appeals Arbiter decisions.

Sincerely,

Solar Hydro, OLFSL Appeals Arbiter