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From : The Stewards of the Meeting

To : The Clerk of the Course

Cc : All Competitors / Crew Members

Clarification on the Running of Flexiservice

The Stewards received a verbal request from the Clerk of the Course seeking clarification on the running of Flexiservice during the 2011 Wales Rally GB in relation to permitted early check-out from Flexiservice.

The provisions of Article 50 in the 2011 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations refer to a Flexiservice with adjacent Parc fermé to be used before and after Flexiservice.

The layout of the itinerary at 2011 Wales Rally GB, however, provides for a road section to be driven before the cars enter the overnight Parc fermé after the Flexiservice.

Article 50.2.4 of the 2011 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations states that "*The competing car may be returned to the parc fermé before the 45 minutes have elapsed without penalty*".

It is the Stewards' opinion that the "*returned to the parc fermé*" in the above Article "*without penalty*" primarily refers to the end of the 45 minutes time allowed for Flexiservice, rather than to the arrival at Parc fermé.

It is hence also the Stewards' opinion that the provision to be allowed to not make full use of the 45 minutes allowed for Flexiservice also applies in the present case at the 2011 Wales Rally GB, even though the Flexiservice is not immediately followed by the overnight Parc fermé.

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