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Large Scale F1 Rule Clarification.

During the recent GP at Cremona an issue came to light regarding the allowed wheel/tyre/wheel base tolerances in the Efra rule book (page 135, rule 5.2.1).

The current rule in black with the additional clarification added in red;-

5.2.1 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Minimum weight dry 10.000 g
Width Formula maximum 450 mm (incl. tyres)
Height maximum 250 mm
Wheel base 620 mm +/-15 mm
Fuel tank - capacity Maximum 700 cm³ with the fuel filter, fuel pipe and without any removable pieces inside
Tyres front diameter 142 mm +/- 5% = 134,9-149,1mm
Tyres rear diameter 142 mm +/- 5% = 134,9-149,1mm
Tyre width front minimum 60 mm, max. 75mm
Tyre width rear maximum 85 mm, rear wheels must be min. 5 mm wider than the front wheels

Rims outside diameter 80mm +/-5mm, indicators must be the same on tyres and rims.

No mixture of +/- is allowed on the wheels and tyres. No tire will be measured after the race.

It's clearly not the intention for the wheel base of the car to dictate the tyre and wheel diameters or the tyre and wheel diameters dictate the wheel base allowed on the car!. These changes will be included on the agenda for the Efra agm at the end of the year for ratification.

Following on from this rule clarification, the current GRP F1 wheels and tyres do not fall within the rules. However due to the original rule being unworkable and the tolerance in question (inner rim diameter) not being a performance enhancement, they will be allowed during the 2013 GP series. This allows drivers who already have the wheels and tyres to use them and for GRP to change their wheel tolerances to comply with the rule before the end of 2013. There will be no dispensation given for any other wheels and tyres during 2013 and only wheels and tyres that comply fully will be allowed for 2014.

Yours sincerely,

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