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My dear friends in the sport

Yesterday night I had an urgent meeting with FEPRA responsible, our Portugal member. It's subject was the legal situation of our RC Fuel in Portugal, having in mind the 2 events we are going to held there in the next months, the EC Warm-up and the EFRA European Championship 2022 itself.

Although the Portuguese law has allowed the licence system and so that it is possible to drive and compete with fuel over the 16 % EU limit a problem has arisen the last days talking with the Govern Authorities in regards of explosive precursors.

The problem is the text of the Portuguese law, while accepting the licence system the Portuguese law has forbidden the issue of this "precursors" licence for people under 18 years old, so the youth people cannot use fuel on 25 %.

The problem on the text of the law has been detected and the law will probably change, allowing the parents of the young drivers to purchase the fuel, but to change a law requires a minimum of 6-8 months and our events are in the next 3 months, so the solution of the law amendment is not suitable for us.

Facing the actual scenario, it is as follows:

- NOT EVERY DRIVER WILL BE ALLOWED TO USE FUEL AT 25 %, Youngsters must use 16EU % fuel.

We may have the possibility to consider drivers using fuel at 16 %, the youngsters, and others using it at 25 %, but the problem we do have is that is always a UNIQUE event, and so that ALL DRIVERS MUST COMPETE IN EQUAL CONDITIONS.

Consequently, based on fair competition racing which is and has been always in our aim, **THE USE OF 16EU % FUEL WILL BE MANDATORY at the following EFRA 2022 Official events:**

- **EFRA European Championship Warm-up at Barcelos, Portugal, from 26th April to 1st May 2022.**

- **EFRA European Championship 1/8 IC Buggy at Barcelos, Portugal, from 4th July to 9th July 2022.**

With my best regards

Carlos Gomez,

Yours in the sport

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