

F3 Technical Advisory Memo

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Subject: Enforcement of FIA Tech Reg 2.7.3

F3 FIA Technical Regulation 2.7.3 says “Heat protections, mechanical protections (such as abrasion protection or tape) and protections for driver comfort may be added, provided that their sole function is the protection of the relevant element and unless specifically mentioned in the homologation.”

Beginning at the first championship event of 2020, 2.7.3 will be interpreted as follows:

- Heat protection used anywhere except in the immediate vicinity of the turbo, the exhaust, and the ECU will be interpreted as having additional function, violating the “sole function” wording of 2.7.3. Examples include, but are not limited to, use on the inlet system (keeping air cool), the fuel system (keeping fuel cool), or the oil system (retaining oil heat).
- Mechanical protection must be confined to the immediate area where clear potential for mechanical damage exists. Use of mechanical protection materials over a broader area or where damage potential is not clear will be interpreted as having additional function, violating 2.7.3.

Specifically, this interpretation does not allow for the application of reflective foil or heat sleeve to any part of the intake plumbing.

Penalties issued by the Stewards will be issued consistent with series guidelines for technical infractions.

