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Sanctions in the Event of Non-Compliance - Legal Proceedings

The Circuit may act to:

- **Halt** the unauthorised publication or exploitation of the image of the Circuit;
- Seek damages and the restitution of profits derived from unlawful use.

Infringement is punishable by:

- **Fines** and, where applicable, **imprisonment** (Articles XI.293 et seq. of the Belgian Code of Economic Law);
- **Confiscation** of illicit products or materials.