



# Race Preview

## 2020 PORTUGUESE GRAND PRIX

23 – 25 October

Round 12 of the 2020 FIA Formula One World Championship will see teams race in Portugal for first time in 24 years as the sport prepares for an all-new challenge at the Autódromo Internacional do Algarve, venue for this weekend's Portuguese Grand Prix.

The hillside circuit to the north of the city of Portimão has been likened to a scaled down Spa-Francorchamps, as it is defined by frequent changes of elevation. The track features a wide variety of corners and also a long pit straight that measures almost a kilometre in length. A number of blind corners also call to mind Austin's Circuit of the Americas.

With an absence of historical data to call upon, achieving the perfect car set-up will be tricky. Complicating matters is the fact that the entire track has been resurfaced in advance of F1's first grand prix weekend in Portimão. To best cope with the uncertain demands of the layout and the new surface, tyre supplier Pirelli is this weekend providing the hardest tyres in the range. The C1 compound will feature as the white-banded hard tyre, the C2 as the yellow medium and the C3 as the red soft tyre.

In the Drivers' standings Lewis Hamilton's record-equalling 91st career win at the Eifel Grand Prix a fortnight ago sees him carry a commanding 69-point championship lead over Mercedes team-mate Valtteri Bottas into this weekend. Bottas' DNF at the Nürburgring allowed Red Bull's Max Verstappen to narrow the gap to Bottas to just 14 points. Meanwhile, Daniel Ricciardo's first podium since 2018 vaulted the Australian to fourth in the standings with 78 points, 10 clear of Racing Point's Sergio Pérez.

In the battle for the Constructors' crown, Mercedes have 391 points, 180 clear of second-placed Red Bull, and this weekend the Silver Arrow have a slim chance of sealing a seventh consecutive title. To do so the team would need to score 40 points or more than its closest rival. Behind the top two, Racing Point have overtaken McLaren to sit in third place on 120 points, though the Woking-based team are just four points adrift. Ricciardo's podium puts Renault fifth, two points behind McLaren.



### AUTÓDROMO INTERNACIONAL DO ALGARVE

**Length of lap:**  
4.653km

**Lap record:**  
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**Start line/finish line offset:**  
0.272km

**Total number of race laps:**  
66

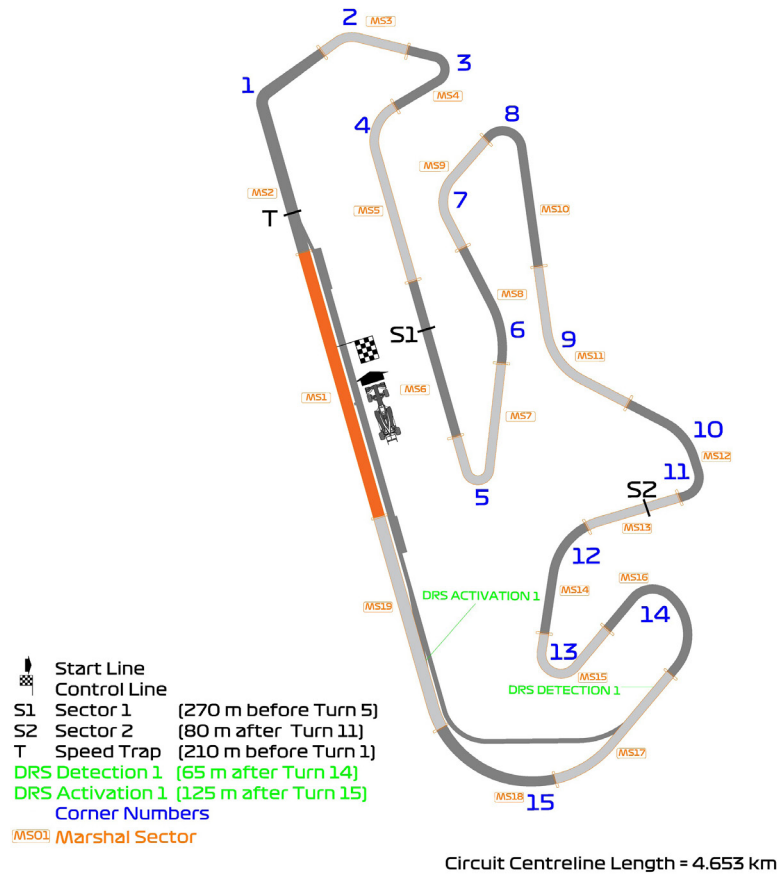
**Total race distance:**  
306.826km

**Pitlane speed limits:**  
80km/h in practice, qualifying, and the race.

### DRS ZONES

- ▶ There will be a single DRS zones at the Autódromo Internacional do Algarve. The detection point is 65 metres after Turn 14 and the activation is 125 metres after Turn 15.

Circuit Map



## FAST FACTS

- ▶ This weekend's race will be the 17th Formula 1 World Championship Portuguese Grand Prix and the first for 24 years. The event first appeared on the calendar in 1958 when the race took place at the Circuito do Boavista street track in Porto. For the following year it moved to a circuit in Monsanto forest park near Lisbon but returned to Porto for one more race in 1960. The race then fell off the calendar until 1984 when a new event was organised at the Estoril circuit. The track to the west of Lisbon staged the Portuguese Grand Prix each year until 1996 when the race once again disappeared from the schedule.
- ▶ While the Autódromo Internacional do Algarve has never hosted a Formula 1 grand prix before, the circuit has been used as a test venue for F1 teams on three occasions. Within two months of the circuit's completion in October 2008, Ferrari and McLaren conducted a two-day test at the track in December. A month later McLaren and Toyota visited the track on 17-18 January 2009 for a pre-season test. They were joined a day later for a further three-day outing by Renault, Toro Rosso and Williams.
- ▶ The most successful drivers at the Portuguese Grand Prix are Alain Prost and Nigel Mansell. Both have three victories at Estoril to their name. Prost won in 1984, 1987 and 1988 with McLaren, while Mansell won in 1986 and 1992 with Williams and in 1990 with Ferrari. The only other multiple winner in Portugal is Sir Stirling Moss, who won in 1958 with Vanwall and in 1959 with Cooper. The most recent winner here is Jacques Villeneuve who took Williams to glory at Estoril in 1996.
- ▶ Williams have more Portuguese Grand Prix wins than any other team. As well as Mansell's double and Villeneuve's '96 triumph, the team also won with Riccardo Patrese in 1991, Damon Hill in 1994 and David Coulthard in 1995.
- ▶ Coulthard's 1995 win was his first in F1. Only one other driver has scored his maiden grand prix victory in Portugal – Ayrton Senna. The Brazilian three-time champion won for the first time at the 1985 race at Estoril with Lotus. It was also the occasion of Senna's first grand chelem, as he not only won but also took pole, fastest lap and led every lap of the race.
- ▶ Senna holds the record for Portuguese Grand Prix pole positions with three. As well as 1985 he started on pole in 1986, with Lotus, and 1989, with McLaren.
- ▶ The Portuguese GP has twice been the championship-deciding race. Niki Lauda beat Alain Prost to the 1984 title by half a point thanks to P2 at the final round at Estoril in 1984. In 1993, Prost also sealed the title with a second-place finish. It was enough to give the Frenchman an unassailable lead in the Drivers' standings with two rounds remaining.
- ▶ While the Autódromo Internacional do Algarve is new territory for Formula 1 it's not entirely unfamiliar to a number of drivers on the current grid, including Daniel Ricciardo, who won the British F3 championship here in 2009 and raced at the circuit in Formula Renault 3.5 in the same year, and Sergio Pérez who competed here in GP2 in 2009. In 2015 Alex Albon, Charles Leclerc, George Russell and Lance Stroll competed here in the FIA Formula 3 European Championship. Albon took second place in race one, while Stroll was third in race two and race three.

# RACE STEWARDS BIOGRAPHIES

## TIM MAYER

### **FIA STEWARD, ORGANISER OF THE FIA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS IN THE USA**

As the son of former McLaren founder Teddy Mayer, Tim Mayer grew up around motor sport. He organised IndyCar races internationally from 1992-98, aided the construction of several circuits, and produced international TV for multiple series. In 1998 he became CART's Senior VP for Racing Operations then in 2003, Mayer became COO of IMSA, operating multiple series at all levels, including the American Le Mans Series. In 2009 he left IMSA, working independently for several US series and focusing on coordinating US motorsports with the FIA. He was elected an Independent Director of ACCUS and US FIA Delegate, responsible for World Championship events in the US. He Stewards the FIA's F1, WEC and World RX championships as well as teaching and working on multiple commissions.



## FELIX HOLTER

### **MEMBER FIA INTERNATIONAL STEWARDS PANEL, PERMANENT CHAIRMAN OF STEWARDS, DTM**

Involved in motorsport in his native Germany from a young age, Felix Holter followed a junior national-level karting career by moving into event organisation as a board member of his local motorsport club. He began his stewarding at national level in 2007 and by 2011 was acting as Chairman of the Stewards of the ADAC GT Masters Series, as well as stewarding at the German round of the FIA World Touring Car Championship, DTM, the F3 Euro Series and the FIA F3 Trophy. In 2013 became permanent Chairman of the Stewards in DTM, while at the same time continuing to work in the GT Masters, German F4 and ADAC TCR Germany series. From 2014-20-18 he fulfilled the role of national steward at the Formula One German Grand Prix. In 2018 he became a member of the FIA International Stewards Panel. Holter also organises training activities for International Stewards on behalf of the German ASN, the DMSB.



## VITALY PETROV

### **FORMER FIA FORMULA 1, DTM AND FIA WORLD ENDURANCE CHAMPIONSHIP DRIVER**

Hailing from the town Vyborg in Russia, Vitaly Petrov emerged from domestic racing series and a successful junior career in Formula Renault and Euroseries 2000 to finish second in the 2009 GP2 championship. In 2010 he secured a seat at Renault to become his nation's first Formula 1 and made his F1 race debut at that season's Bahrain Grand Prix. In total, he made 57 grand prix starts across three seasons: two with Renault, where he became the first Russian on the F1 podium thanks to third place at the 2011 Australian Grand Prix, and a final campaign with Caterham in 2013. The following year Petrov moved to the DTM series for a single season before switching to Endurance racing. Driving for SMP Racing, he twice finished third in the LMP2 class, in his debut WEC season of 2016 and in 2019. This is his first appearance as a Formula 1 steward.



### **NATIONAL STEWARD**

## PAULO MAGALHÃES

### **SPORTING CO-ORDINATOR FEDERAÇÃO PORTUGUESA DE AUTOMOBILISMO E KARTING (FPAK), TCR EUROPE STEWARD, FIA WRC RALLY PORTUGAL STAGE COMMANDER**

Paulo Castro Magalhães' career in motor sport extends back almost four decades to the beginning of the 1980s when he became involved as a marshal at circuit and hill climb events and at Rally Portugal, an event he has maintained strong ties to since, eventually becoming a stage commander in 2016. Since 2011 he has also acted as the rally's Safety Team Co-ordinator. Paulo's stewarding activities began in 2007 and in recent years he has been chiefly involved in TCR Europe events, acting as Chairman of the Stewards at a number of event across the continent since 2018. He has also acted Clerk of the Course at numerous Portuguese rally events, many of which he has also promoted. At Portuguese ASN FPAK he has acted as Sporting Co-ordinator since 2017.



# 2020 FIA Formula One World Championship

## DRIVERS' CHAMPIONSHIP STANDINGS

|    |               | AUSTRIA   | STYRIA   | HUNGARY   | GREAT BRITAIN | 70 <sup>TH</sup> ANNIV. | SPAIN     | BELGIUM   | ITALY    | TUSCANY   | RUSSIA    | Eifel   | PORTUGAL | E.-ROMAGNA | TURKEY | BAHRAIN | SAKHIR | ABU DHABI |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |     |  | POINTS |
|----|---------------|-----------|----------|-----------|---------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|----------|------------|--------|---------|--------|-----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|-----|--|--------|
| 1  | L. HAMILTON   | 12<br>4   | 25<br>1  | 26<br>F 1 | 25<br>1       | 19<br>F 2               | 25<br>1   | 25<br>1   | 7<br>F 7 | 26<br>F 1 | 15<br>3   | 25<br>1 |          |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 230 |  |        |
| 2  | V. BOTTAS     | 25<br>1   | 18<br>2  | 15<br>3   | 11            | 15<br>3                 | 16<br>F 3 | 18<br>2   | 10<br>5  | 18<br>2   | 26<br>F 1 | NC      |          |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 161 |  |        |
| 3  | M. VERSTAPPEN | NC        | 15<br>3  | 18<br>2   | 19<br>F 2     | 25<br>1                 | 18<br>2   | 15<br>3   | NC       | NC        | 18<br>2   | 18<br>2 |          |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 147 |  |        |
| 4  | D. RICCIARDO  | NC        | 4<br>8   | 4<br>8    | 12<br>4       | 14                      | 11        | 13<br>F 4 | 8<br>6   | 12<br>4   | 10<br>5   | 15<br>3 |          |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 78  |  |        |
| 5  | S. PÉREZ      | 8<br>6    | 8<br>6   | 6<br>7    | -             | -                       | 10<br>5   | 1<br>10   | 1<br>10  | 10<br>5   | 12<br>4   | 12<br>4 |          |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 68  |  |        |
| 6  | L. NORRIS     | 16<br>F 3 | 10<br>5  | 13        | 10<br>5       | 2<br>9                  | 1<br>10   | 6<br>7    | 12<br>4  | 8<br>6    | 15        | NC      |          |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 65  |  |        |
| 7  | A. ALBON      | 13        | 12<br>4  | 10<br>5   | 4<br>8        | 10<br>5                 | 4<br>8    | 8<br>6    | 15       | 15<br>3   | 1<br>10   | NC      |          |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 64  |  |        |
| 8  | C. LECLERC    | 18<br>2   | NC       | 11        | 15<br>3       | 12<br>4                 | NC        | 14        | NC       | 4<br>8    | 8<br>6    | 6<br>7  |          |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 63  |  |        |
| 9  | L. STROLL     | NC        | 6<br>7   | 12<br>4   | 2<br>9        | 8<br>6                  | 12<br>4   | 2<br>9    | 15<br>3  | NC        | NC        | -       |          |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 57  |  |        |
| 10 | P. GASLY      | 6<br>7    | 15       | NC        | 6<br>7        | 11                      | 2<br>9    | 4<br>8    | 25<br>1  | NC        | 2<br>9    | 8<br>6  |          |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 53  |  |        |
| 11 | C. SAINZ      | 10<br>5   | 3<br>F 9 | 2<br>9    | 13            | 13                      | 8<br>6    | DNS       | 2        | NC        | NC        | 10<br>5 |          |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 51  |  |        |
| 12 | E. OCON       | 4<br>8    | NC       | 14        | 8<br>6        | 4<br>8                  | 13        | 10<br>5   | 4<br>8   | NC        | 6<br>7    | NC      |          |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 36  |  |        |
| 13 | S. VETTEL     | 1<br>10   | NC       | 8<br>6    | 1<br>10       | 12                      | 6<br>7    | 13        | NC       | 1         | 10        | 13      | 11       |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 17  |  |        |
| 14 | D. KVYAT      | 12        | 1<br>10  | 12        | NC            | 1<br>10                 | 12        | 11        | 2<br>9   | 6<br>7    | 4<br>8    | 15      |          |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 14  |  |        |
| 15 | N. HÜLKENBERG |           |          |           | DNS           | 6<br>7                  | -         | -         | -        | -         | -         | 4<br>8  |          |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 10  |  |        |
| 16 | A. GIOVINAZZI | 2<br>9    | 14       | 17        | 14            | 17                      | 16        | NC        | 16       | NC        | 11        | 10      |          |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3   |  |        |
| 17 | K. RÄIKÖNEN   | NC        | 11       | 15        | 17            | 15                      | 14        | 12        | 13       | 2<br>9    | 14        | 12      |          |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2   |  |        |
| 18 | R. GROSJEAN   | NC        | 13       | 16        | 16            | 16                      | 19        | 15        | 12       | 12        | 17        | 9       | 2        |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2   |  |        |
| 19 | K. MAGNUSSEN  | NC        | 12       | 1<br>10   | NC            | NC                      | 15        | 17        | NC       | NC        | 12        | 13      |          |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1   |  |        |
| 20 | N. LATIFI     | 11        | 17       | 19        | 15            | 19                      | 18        | 16        | 11       | NC        | 16        | 14      |          |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0   |  |        |
| 21 | G. RUSSELL    | NC        | 16       | 18        | 12            | 18                      | 17        | NC        | 14       | 11        | 18        | NC      |          |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0   |  |        |

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## CONSTRUCTORS' CHAMPIONSHIP STANDINGS

|    | AUSTRA                              | STYRIA         | HUNGARY        | GREAT BRITAIN  | 70 <sup>TH</sup> ANNIV. | SPAIN          | BELGIUM        | ITALY          | TUSCANY        | RUSSIA         | EIFEL          | PORTUGAL        | E.-ROMAGNA | TURKEY | BAHRAIN | SAKHIR | ABU DHABI |  |  |  |  |  |  | POINTS |     |
|----|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|------------|--------|---------|--------|-----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--------|-----|
| 1  | MERCEDES AMG<br>PETRONAS MOTORSPORT | 37<br>1<br>4   | 43<br>2        | 41<br>F 1<br>3 | 25<br>1<br>11           | 34<br>F 2<br>3 | 41<br>1<br>F 3 | 43<br>1<br>2   | 17<br>5<br>F 7 | 44<br>F 1<br>2 | 41<br>F 1<br>3 | 25<br>1<br>NC   |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |        | 391 |
| 2  | ASTON MARTIN<br>RED BULL RACING     |                | 27<br>3<br>4   | 28<br>2<br>5   | 23<br>F 2<br>8          | 35<br>1<br>5   | 22<br>2<br>8   | 23<br>3<br>6   | 15<br>15<br>NC | 19<br>3<br>NC  | 19<br>2<br>10  | 19<br>F 2<br>NC |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |        | 211 |
| 3  | BWT RACING POINT<br>F1 TEAM         | 8<br>6<br>NC   | -1<br>6<br>7   | 18<br>4<br>7   | 2<br>9<br>DNS           | 14<br>6<br>7   | 22<br>4<br>5   | 3<br>9<br>10   | 16<br>3<br>10  | 10<br>5<br>NC  | 12<br>4<br>NC  | 16<br>4<br>8    |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |        | 120 |
| 4  | McLAREN F1 TEAM                     | 26<br>F 3<br>5 | 13<br>5<br>F 9 | 2<br>9<br>13   | 10<br>5<br>13           | 2<br>9<br>13   | 9<br>6<br>10   | 6<br>7<br>NC   | 30<br>2<br>4   | 8<br>6<br>NC   | 10<br>15<br>NC | 10<br>5<br>NC   |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |        | 116 |
| 5  | RENAULT DP WORLD<br>F1 TEAM         | 4<br>8<br>NC   | 4<br>8<br>NC   | 4<br>8<br>14   | 20<br>4<br>6            | 4<br>8<br>14   | 11<br>11<br>13 | 23<br>F 4<br>5 | 12<br>6<br>8   | 12<br>4<br>NC  | 16<br>5<br>7   | 15<br>3<br>NC   |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |        | 114 |
| 6  | SCUDERIA FERRARI                    | 19<br>2<br>10  | NC<br>NC       | 8<br>6<br>11   | 16<br>3<br>10           | 12<br>4<br>12  | 6<br>7<br>NC   | 13<br>13<br>14 | NC<br>NC       | 5<br>8<br>10   | 8<br>6<br>13   | 6<br>7<br>11    |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |        | 80  |
| 7  | SCUDERIA ALPHATAURI<br>HONDA        | 6<br>7<br>12   | 1<br>10<br>15  | 12<br>NC       | 6<br>7<br>NC            | 1<br>10<br>11  | 2<br>9<br>12   | 4<br>8<br>11   | 27<br>1<br>9   | 6<br>7<br>NC   | 6<br>8<br>9    | 8<br>6<br>15    |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |        | 67  |
| 8  | ALFA ROMEO<br>RACING ORLEN          | 2<br>9<br>NC   | 11<br>14       | 15<br>17       | 14<br>17                | 15<br>17       | 14<br>16       | 12<br>NC       | 13<br>16       | NC<br>NC       | 11<br>14       | 10<br>12        |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |        | 5   |
| 9  | HAAS F1 TEAM                        | NC<br>NC       | 12<br>13       | 10<br>16       | 16<br>NC                | 16<br>NC       | 15<br>19       | 15<br>17       | 12<br>NC       | 12<br>NC       | 12<br>17       | 9<br>13         |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |        | 3   |
| 10 | WILLIAMS RACING                     | 11<br>NC       | 17<br>17       | 18<br>19       | 12<br>15                | 18<br>19       | 17<br>18       | 16<br>NC       | 11<br>14       | 11<br>NC       | 16<br>18       | 14<br>NC        |            |        |         |        |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |        | 0   |

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# FORMULA 1 TIMETABLE & FIA MEDIA SCHEDULE

## THURSDAY

**Press conference** 1400-1715

## FRIDAY

**Practice session 1** 1100-1230

**Press conference** 1300-1400

**Practice session 2** 1500-1630

## SATURDAY

**Practice session 3** 1100-1200

**Qualifying** 1400-1500

## SUNDAY

**Race** 1310-1510

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