

A three-continent triple-header concludes this week with a visit to the Losail International Circuit for the inaugural Qatar Grand Prix, Round 20 of the 2021 FIA Formula One World Championship.

This is Formula 1's first visit to Losail. The dominant characteristic of the circuit is the relentless sequence of predominantly high-speed corners. Downforce levels will be high – but whether or not they are at maximum will depend on how many of those corners are power- rather than grip-limited.

Pirelli classify the circuit as high severity, and bring their three hardest compounds here. The grip level is something of an unknown factor: the asphalt is expected to have good grip – but the teams also expect the surface to be dusty, and thus are planning for high track evolution over the weekend.

A return to form at last weekend's São Paulo Grand Prix saw Mercedes extend their lead over Red Bull Racing at the top of the Constructors' Championship, with their advantage now 11 points. In the Drivers' Championship, victory in Brazil for Lewis Hamilton cut Max Verstappen's lead to 14 points, with 78 still available.

LOSAIL INTERNATIONAL CIRCUIT

Length of lap: 5.380 km

Lap record: N/A

Start line/finish line offset: 0.000km

Total number of race laps: 57

Total race distance: 306.66km

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

DRS ZONES

DRS 1 **Detection** – 125m before Turn 16

Activation – 200m after Turn 16

CIRCUIT CHANGES

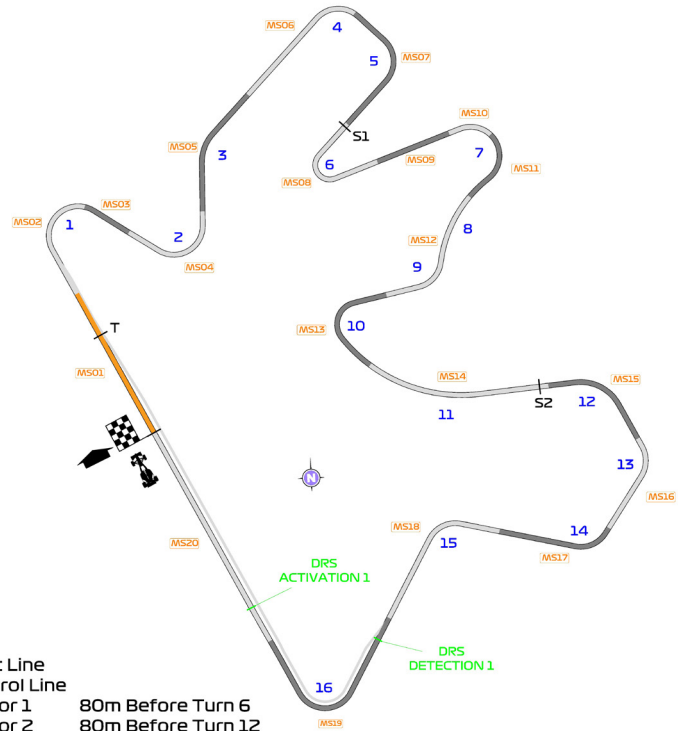
» As this is a new venue there are no changes.



2021 QATAR GRAND PRIX

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Media Map



- Start Line
- Control Line
- S1 Sector 1 80m Before Turn 6
- S2 Sector 2 80m Before Turn 12
- T Speed Trap 210m Before Turn 1
- DRS Detection 125m Before Turn 16
- DRS Activation 200m After Turn 16
- Corner Numbers
- M22 Marshal Post
- FIA Marshal Light No.

Circuit Centreline Length = 5.380km

TYRES



C1 - HARD

C2 - MEDIUM

C3 - SOFT

FAST FACTS

- » Losail is the 74th track to host an FIA Formula One World Championship grand prix.
- » The Qatar Grand Prix is the 51st event name to be used in the World Championship but it is the third race in a row to introduce a new title to the sport, after the Mexico City and São Paulo Grands Prix. The Saudi Arabian Grand Prix will extend that run to four. Qatar is the 33rd country to host a round.
- » Sergio Pérez is the only current F1 driver to have raced at Losail. The Mexican contested two rounds of the 2008-2009 GP2 Asia series at this circuit. He finished second to Nico Hülkenberg in the Feature race and won the Sprint, in which he also set the fastest lap.
- » Opened in 2004, Losail is best known for hosting the Qatar rounds of MotoGP – in 2004-2019 and in 2021 with a

double-header in March/April. The circuit has also hosted the Superbike World Championship on numerous occasions. In addition to GP2 Asia, on four wheels the track has hosted the World Touring Car Championship (2015-2017), the Speedcar Series (2009) and the GP Masters Series (2006).

- » This is the fourth F1 venue to race under lights, joining Marina Bay, Yas Marina and the Bahrain International Circuit. The Saudi Arabian Grand Prix will also be floodlit. This race will run with a similar timetable to that used in Bahrain with the 17.00 start time scheduled to coincide with twilight. Sunset in Losail on Sunday will be at 16.44.
- » McLaren are set to make their 900th race start this weekend. The team made its championship debut at the 1966

Monaco Grand Prix, with team owner Bruce McLaren at the wheel of the single M2B. Since then the team has taken 183 wins, 156 pole positions and eight Constructors' Championship titles.

- » Losail is the fifth track to make an F1 debut during the hybrid era, with the previous four inaugural races all being won by Mercedes. Lewis Hamilton won the 2014 Russian GP in Sochi; Nico Rosberg won the 2016 European GP in Baku; and Hamilton won at Mugello in the Tuscan GP and Portimão for the Portuguese GP last year.
- » Daniel Ricciardo's DNF at Interlagos reduces to two the number of drivers that have finished every race this season. Going into Round 20, only Carlos Sainz and Antonio Giovinazzi have been ever-present at the flag.



RACE STEWARDS BIOGRAPHIES



GARRY CONNELLY

CHAIRMAN, AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF MOTOR SPORT SAFETY; FIA WMSC MEMBER, FIA SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER

Garry was instrumental in bringing the World Rally Championship to Australia in 1988 and served as Chairman of the Organising Committee, Board member and Clerk of Course of Rally Australia until December 2002. He has been an FIA Steward and FIA Observer since 1989, covering the FIA WRC, the FIA WTCC and the FIA Formula One World Championship. He is Chairman of the Australian Institute of Motor Sport Safety and director of the Australian Road Safety Foundation. He is a member of the FIA World Motor Sport Council, a member of the FIA Scientific Advisory Committee and FIA Environmental Delegate.

LOÏC BACQUELAINE

FIA FORMULA 3 STEWARD

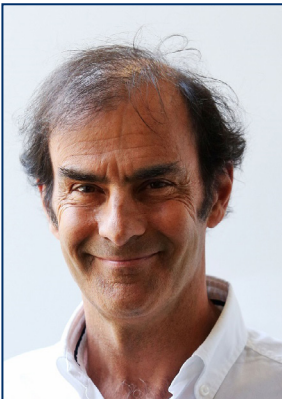
Born in the Ardennes near the famous Circuit de Spa-Francorchamps, Loïc Bacquelaine has been involved in motor sport from an early age. He works in Luxembourg in the legal profession, specialising in financial law. Alongside his role as a steward in FIA Formula 3, he has also worked as a steward across a wide range of international motorsport classes, including the Porsche Supercup, TCR, Le Mans Cup and Porsche GT Cup.



EMANUELE PIRRO

FORMER FORMULA 1 DRIVER AND FIVE-TIMES LE MANS WINNER; MEMBER OF THE FIA DRIVERS' COMMISSION

During a motor sport career spanning 40 years, Emanuele Pirro has achieved a huge amount of success, most notably in sportscar racing, with five Le Mans wins, victory at the Daytona 24H and two wins at the Sebring 12H. In addition, the Italian driver raced in F1 for three seasons, has won the German and Italian Touring Car championships (the latter twice) and twice been American Le Mans Series Champion.



AMRO AL-HAMAD

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, QATAR MOTOR & MOTORCYCLE FEDERATION

Amro Al-Hamad's motor sport career encompasses both competition and organisation. Behind the wheel he was crowned Qatar National Sprint Champion in 2008 and in 2014 became Middle East Radical Champion. He has gone on to compete internationally in a wide variety of Endurance racing events in Dubai, Abu Dhabi, and at Zandvoort and Zolder. Off track he has acted as Race Director in the Muscat Auto X Championship and Clerk of the Course in the Manateq National Sprint Championship. He is also managing director of the Losail Circuit Sports Club.





2021 FIA FORMULA ONE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

DRIVERS' CHAMPIONSHIP STANDINGS

	BAHRAIN	E.-ROMAGNA	PORTUGAL	SPAIN	MONACO	AZERBAIJAN	FRANCE	STYRIA	AUSTRIA	GREAT BRITAIN	HUNGARY	BELGIUM	NETHERLANDS	ITALY	RUSSIA	TURKEY	USA	MEXICO CITY	SÃO PAULO	QATAR	SAUDI ARABIA	ABU DHABI	POINTS
1 M. VERSTAPPEN	18 2	25 1	18 2	19 F2	25 1	18	26 F1	25 1	26 F1	3 S1	2	12.5 1	25 1	2 S2	18 2	18 2	25 1	25 1	20 S2				332.5
2 L. HAMILTON	25 1	19 F2	25 1	25 1	7 F7	15	18 2	19 F2	12 4	27 S1	18 2	7.5 3	19 F2	NC	25 1	10 5	19 F2	18 2	25 1				318.5
3 V. BOTTAS	16 F3	NC	16 F3	15 3	NC	12	12 4	15 3	18 2	16 S3	NC	12	15 3	18 S1	10 5	26 F1	8 6	15 15	18 S1				203
4 S. PÉREZ	10 5	11	12 4	10 5	12 4	25 1	15 3	12 4	8 6	16	NC	20	4 8	10 5	2 9	15 3	15 3	15 3	13 F4				178
5 L. NORRIS	12 4	15 3	10 5	4 8	15 3	10 5	10 5	10 5	15 3	12 4	NC	14	1 10	18 2	7 F7	6 7	4 8	1 10	1 10				151
6 C. LECLERC	8 6	12 4	8 6	12 4	DNS	12 4	16	6 7	4 8	18 2	NC	2	10 8	12 5	4 15	12 4	12 4	10 5	10 5				148
7 C. SAINZ	4 8	10 5	11	6 7	18 2	4 8	11	8 6	10 5	8 6	15 3	0.5 10	6 7	8 6	15 3	4 8	6 7	8 6	9 S3				139.5
8 D. RICCIARDO	6 7	8 6	2 9	8 6	12	2 9	8 6	13	6 7	10 5	11	6 4	11 F1	27 S3	12 4	10 13	5 12	12 NC					105
9 P. GASLY	17	6 7	1 10	1 10	8 6	15 3	6 7	NC	2 9	11 F5	4 11	12 6	12 4	NC	13	8 6	12 NC	6 4	7				92
10 F. ALONSO	NC	1 10	4 8	17 13	13 6	8 6	4 8	2 9	1 10	6 7	12 4	11	8 6	4 8	8 6	16 NC	NC	2 9	2 9				62
11 E. OCON	13	2 9	6 7	2 9	2 9	NC	14	14	NC	2 9	25 1	7 3	2 9	1 10	1 14	10 NC	13	4 8					50
12 S. VETTEL	15	15	13	13	10 5	18 2	2 9	12 17	17 NC	DSQ	5	5	13	12	12	18	1 10	6 7					42
13 L. STROLL	1 10	4 8	14 11	11 8	4 NC	1 10	4 8	2 13	1 13	6 8	12 NC	18	12	6 7	11	9	12	14	NC				26
14 Y. TSUNODA	2 9	12	15	NC	16	6 7	13	10	12	10	6	15	NC	DNS	17	14	9	NC	15				20
15 G. RUSSELL	14	NC	16	14	14	17	12	NC	11	12	8	4 9	2 17	9 10	2 15	10 15	14	16	13				16
16 K. RÄIKÖNEN	11	13	NC	12	11	10	17	11	15	15	10	19	-	-	4 8	12	13	4 8					10
17 N. LATIFI	18	NC	18	16	15	16	18	17	16	14	7	6 9	1 16	11	19	17	15	17	16				7
18 A. GIOVINAZZI	12	14	12	15	10	11	15	15	14	13	13	13	14	13	16	11	11	11	14				1
19 M. SCHUMACHER	16	16	17	18	18	13	19	16	18	18	12	16	18	15	NC	19	16	NC	18				0
20 R. KUBICA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	14	-	-	-	-	-				0
21 N. MAZEPIN	NC	17	19	19	17	14	20	18	19	17	NC	17	NC	NC	18	20	17	18	17				0

F = FASTEST LAP
S = SPRINT QUALIFYING



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CONSTRUCTORS' CHAMPIONSHIP STANDINGS

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1	MERCEDES AMG PETRONAS F1 TEAM		41 1 3	19 F2 NC	41 1 F3	40 1 F7 NC	7 12 15	30 2 4	34 F2 3	30 2 4	43 1 3	18 NC	7.5 3 12	34 F2 3	18 NC	35 1 5	36 F1 5	27 F2 6	18 2 15	43 1 3				521.5
2	RED BULL RACING		28 2 5	25 1 11	30 2 4	29 F2 5	37 1 4	25 1 18	41 F1 3	37 1 4	34 F1 6	3 16 NC	2 9 NC	12.5 1 19	29 1 8	12 5 NC	20 2 9	33 2 3	40 1 3	40 1 3	33 F4			510.5
3	SCUDERIA FERRARI		12 6 8	22 4 5	8 6 11	18 4 7	18 2 DNS	16 4 8	11 11 16	14 6 7	12 5 8	26 2 6	15 3 NC	2.5 8 10	16 5 7	20 4 6	15 3 15	16 4 8	18 4 7	18 5 6	19 5 6			287.5
4	MCLAREN F1 TEAM		18 4 7	23 3 6	12 5 9	12 6 8	15 3 12	12 5 9	18 5 6	10 5 13	21 3 7	22 4 5	6 14 14	1 10 11	45 F1 2	19 F7	6 4 13	14 7 13	1 5 8	1 10 12	1 10 NC			256
5	ALPINE F1 TEAM		13 NC	3 9 10	10 7 8	2 9 17	2 9 13	8 6 8	4 8 14	2 14 14	1 10 NC	8 7 9	37 1 4	3 7 11	10 6 9	5 8 10	8 6 14	1 10 16	NC NC	2 13	6 9 8			112
6	SCUDERIA ALPHATAURI HONDA		2 9 17	6 7 12	1 10 15	1 10 NC	8 6 16	21 3 7	6 7 13	1 10 NC	2 9 12	1 10 11	19 F5 6	4 6 15	12 4 NC	NC DNS	13 17	8 6 14	2 10 NC	12 9 NC	6 7 15			112
7	ASTON MARTIN COGNIZANT F1 TEAM		1 10 15	4 8 15	13 13 14	11 11 13	14 5 8	18 2 NC	3 9 10	4 8 12	13 13 17	4 8 NC	5 20 DSQ	12 13 12	7 12 12	11 12 18	9 9 17	10 12 18	6 12 14	1 7 14	11 14 NC			68
8	WILLIAMS RACING		14 18	NC NC	16 18	14 16	14 15	16 17	12 18	17 NC	11 16	12 14	7 8	10 10	2 9	16 17	9 11	10 19	15 17	14 15	16 17	13 16		23
9	ALFA ROMEO RACING ORLEN		11 12	13 14	12 NC	12 15	10 11	10 11	15 17	11 15	14 15	13 15	10 13	13 18	14 15	13 14	8 16	11 12	11 13	4 11	8 14	12 14		11
10	HAAS F1 TEAM		16 NC	16 17	17 19	18 19	17 18	13 14	19 20	16 18	18 19	17 18	12 NC	16 17	18 NC	15 NC	18 NC	19 20	16 17	18 NC	17 18		0	



FORMULA 1 TIMETABLE & FIA MEDIA SCHEDULE

THURSDAY

Press Conference 14.30 - 18.00

FRIDAY

Practice session 1 14.30 - 18.00

Press Conference 15.00 - 16.00

Practice session 2 17.00 - 18.00

SATURDAY

Practice session 3 14.00 - 15.00

Qualifying 17.00 - 18.00

SUNDAY

Race 17.00 - 19.00

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