



Round 17 of the 2021 FIA Formula One World Championship sees teams and drivers return to race in North America for the first time since 2019, with the United States Grand Prix at the Circuit of the Americas in Austin, Texas.

Since its first calendar appearance in 2012 COTA has established itself as a favourite with drivers, chiefly due to the variety of challenges it presents. The first sector features a wide, blind first corner that allows for multiple lines followed by a sequence of rapid changes of direction similar to Suzuka's Esses that rewards good car balance. The second sector features a long high-speed straight followed by a heavy-braking overtaking point at Turn 12, while in the final sector, the Hockenheim-inspired stadium section rewards precision and good traction out of its complex of slower corners.

In the battles for the titles, Max Verstappen has a slim six-point Driver's Championship lead over Lewis Hamilton, while in the Constructors' Championship, Valtteri Bottas' victory and fastest lap in Turkey, allied to Hamilton's P5, means the Silver Arrows have 433.5 points, 36 ahead of Red Bull Racing.

CIRCUIT OF THE AMERICAS

Length of lap: 5.513km

Lap record: 1:36.169 (Charles Leclerc, Ferrari 2019)

Start line/finish line offset: 0.323km

Total number of race laps: 56

Total race distance: 308.405km

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

DRS ZONES

- DRS 1** **Detection** – 150m after Turn 10
 Activation – 250m after Turn 11
- DRS 2** **Detection** – 65m after Turn 18
 Activation – 80m after Turn 20

CIRCUIT CHANGES

- » The circuit has been resurfaced at: the end of the pit straight, including the pit lane exit road from the end of the pit signalling wall to the exit of Turn 1; the exit of Turn 9 to the exit of Turn 10; the exit of Turn 11 to the exit of Turn 12; Midway through Turn 15 to midway through Turn 19.
- » Milling of the track surface will take place at the depression between Turn 2 and Turn 3 and the depressions in the vicinity of Turns 4, 6, 10 and 14.



2021 UNITED STATES GRAND PRIX

2019 STATS

WINNER:	V. Bottas (Mercedes)
PODIUM:	1. V. Bottas (Mercedes) 2. L. Hamilton (Mercedes) 3. M. Verstappen (Red Bull Racing)
FASTEST LAP:	C. Leclerc (Ferrari) 1:36.169
WINNING STRATEGY:	V. Bottas – C3u, C2n (14), C3n (35)
POLE POSITION:	V. Bottas (Mercedes) 1:32.029

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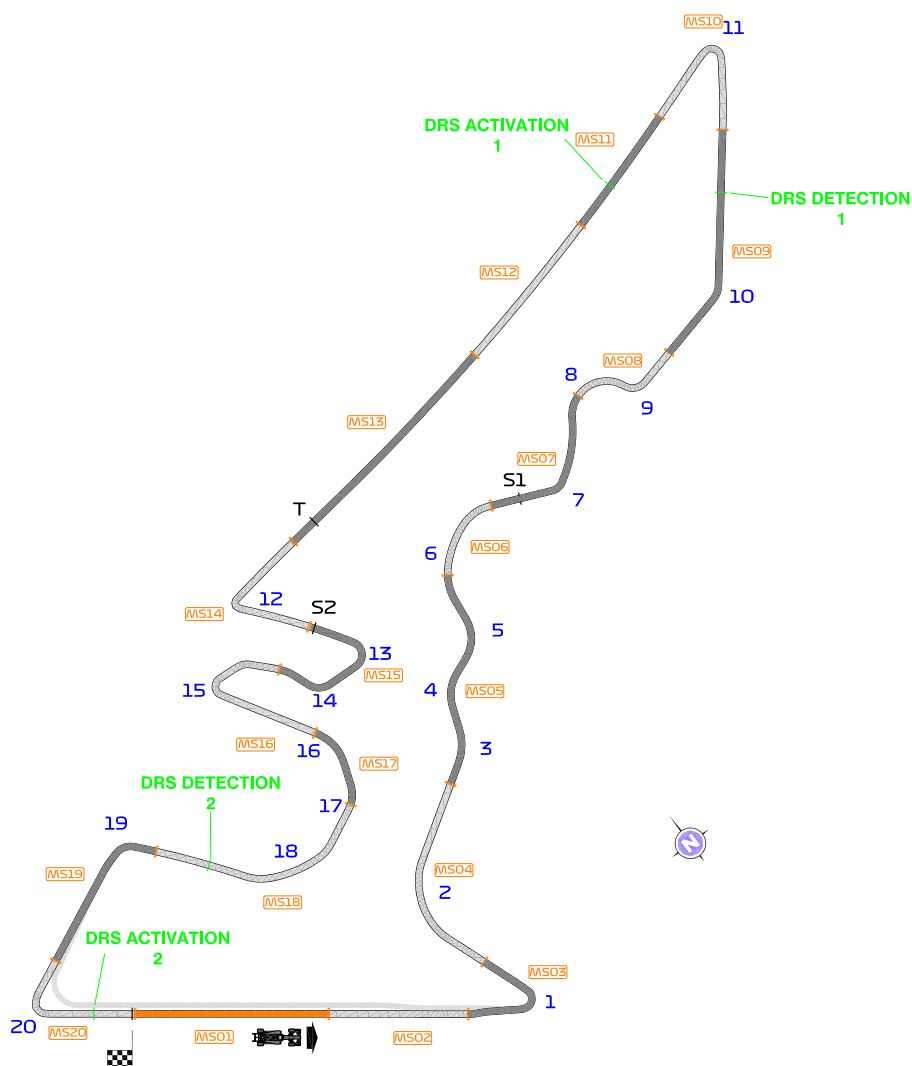
C2 - HARD



C3 - MEDIUM



C4 - SOFT



Circuit Centreline Length = 5.513 km

FAST FACTS

- » This is the 42nd FIA Formula One World Championship United States Grand Prix. The event has been held at six different venues with the first taking place at Sebring in 1959. Races followed at Riverside (1960), Watkins Glen (1961-1980), Phoenix (1989-1991) and Indianapolis (2000-2007). The Circuit of the Americas joined the calendar in 2012 and with the exception of last year, when it was cancelled due to the global pandemic, has hosted the race each year since.
- » Lewis Hamilton is the most successful driver in the history of the United States Grand Prix with six victories. The Briton took his second career win at the final US GP held at Indianapolis in 2007 with McLaren. Five years later, on F1's return to the United States, he won the inaugural race at COTA, again with McLaren. He has since won four times

- with Mercedes, in 2014, 2015, 2016 (his 50th career victory) and 2017.
- » Ferrari are the most successful constructor at the US Grand Prix, with 10 victories. Niki Lauda scored the team's first in 1975, while Carlos Reutemann won in 1978 and Gilles Villeneuve was victorious in 1979. Michael Schumacher scored five wins at Indianapolis, in 2000 and 2003-2006 and team-mate Rubens Barrichello won the 2002 event at the Brickyard. Ferrari's most recent win was with Kimi Räikkönen at COTA in 2018.
- » At this circuit, Mercedes have the best record, with five wins. In addition to Hamilton's four victories, Valtteri Bottas won the race here in 2019.
- » Hamilton and Schumacher share the record for pole positions with four each. However, Lewis has seven front-row starts compared to Michael's five.

- » A front row start has so far been key at COTA. All eight races have been won from the front two places on the grid, with four victories from pole and four from P2.
- » Mercedes have taken the last six pole positions at COTA, with Nico Rosberg in 2014 and 2015, Hamilton from 2016-2018 and Bottas last year. The only other driver to start from pole in Austin is Sebastian Vettel. The German started from P1 with Red Bull Racing in 2012 and 2013.
- » Williams' Nicholas Latifi has not raced at this circuit before but he does have experience of the track in an F1 car, albeit briefly. In 2019 he completed seven laps of the circuit for Williams in FP1 before a gearbox issue ended his session. The circuit is totally new to AlphaTauri's Yuki Tsunoda and Haas' Mick Schumacher and Nikita Mazepin.



RACE STEWARDS BIOGRAPHIES



DR GERD ENNSER

MEMBER OF THE DMSB'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR AUTOMOBILE SPORT, FORMULA 1 AND DTM STEWARD

Dr Gerd Ennser has successfully combined his formal education in law with his passion for motor racing. Since 2006 he has been a permanent steward at every round of Germany's DTM championship. Since 2010 he has also been a Formula 1 steward. Dr Ennser, who has worked as a judge, a prosecutor and in the legal department of an automotive-industry company, has also acted as a member of the steering committee of German motor sport body, the DMSB, since spring 2010, where he is responsible for automobile sport. In addition, Dr Ennser is a board member of the South Bavaria Section of ADAC, Germany's biggest auto club.

RICHARD NORBURY

PERMANENT CHAIRMAN OF STEWARDS, PORSCHE SUPERCUP; PERMANENT STEWARD, GT WORLD CHALLENGE, BTCC

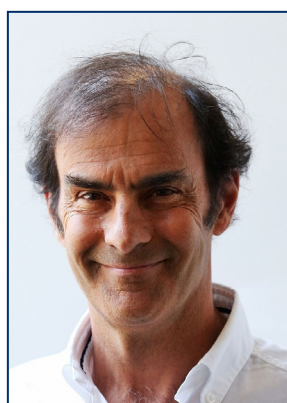
Richard Norbury is the Permanent Chairman of Stewards for the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup and Permanent Steward for the GT World Challenge series. He has acted as FIA Steward and Observer for FIA Historic race championships, as well as working regularly as National Steward at the British Formula 1 Grand Prix and FIA World and European Karting events. He is a Permanent Steward to the British Touring Car Championship. He sits on the Board of Directors of Motorsport UK and is Chairman of both their Rules Committee and Judicial Committee. He is also a member of the body's Motor Sports Council and sits on its National Court.



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 24 Hours and two wins at the Sebring 12 Hours. In addition, the Italian driver has won the German and Italian Touring Car championships (the latter twice) and has twice been American Le Mans Series Champion. Pirro, enjoyed a three-season F1 career from 1989 to 1991, firstly with Benetton and then for Scuderia Italia. His debut as an FIA Steward came at the 2010 Abu Dhabi Grand Prix and he has returned regularly since.



DENNIS DEAN

FIA WMSC MEMBER; MEMBER, INTERNATIONAL SPORTING CODE REVIEW COMMISSION; F2, FORMULA E STEWARD

Dennis Dean has been involved in motor sport since becoming a scrutineer with the Sports Car Club of America (SCCA) in the late 1970s. He has served at national level as a scrutineer, steward, and race director, including 10 years as either assistant chief steward or chief steward (race director) of the SCCA's National Championship Runoffs. He has scrutineered at 10 US Formula One races, in Las Vegas, Indianapolis and Austin. He was also vice president of Club Racing and Rally/Solo for SCCA. He currently serves as a member of both the FIA's International Sporting Code Review Commission.





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 F 2	25 1	18	26 F 1	25 1	26 F 1	3 NC S 1	2 9	12.5 1	25 1	2 NC S 2	18 2	18 2							262.5
2 L. HAMILTON	25 1	19 F 2	25 1	25 1	7 F 7	15	18 2	19 F 2	12 4	27 1 S 2	18 2	7.5 3	19 F 2	NC	25 1	10 5							256.5
3 V. BOTTAS	16 F 3	NC	16 F 3	15 3	NC	12	12 4	15 3	18 2	16 3 S 3	NC	12	15 3	18 3 S 1	10 5	26 F 1							177
4 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 F 7	6 7							145
5 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							135
6 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							116.5
7 C. LECLERC	8 6	12 4	8 6	12 4	DNS	12 4	16 7	6 13	4 7	18 2	NC	2 8	10 5	12 4	15 4	12 4							116
8 D. RICCIARDO	6 7	8 6	2 9	8 6	12	2 9	8 6	13	6 7	10 5	11	6 4	27 F 1 S 3	12 4	13								95
9 P. GASLY	17	6 7	1 10	1 10	8 6	15 3	6 7	NC	2 9	11 F 5	4 6	12 4	NC	13	8 6								74
10 F. ALONSO	NC	1 10	4 8	17	13	8 6	4 8	2 9	1 10	6 7	12 4	11	8 6	4 8	8 6	16							58
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							46
12 S. VETTEL	15	15	13	13	10 5	18 2	2 9	12	17	NC	DSQ	5	13	12	12	18							35
13 L. STROLL	1 10	4 8	14	11	4 8	NC	1 10	4 8	13	4 8	NC	18	12	6 7	11	2 9							26
14 Y. TSUNODA	2 9	12	15	NC	6 16	1 7	13	10	12	1 10	8 6	15	NC	DNS	17	14							18
15 G. RUSSELL	14	NC	16	14	14	17	12	NC	11	12	4 8	9 2	17	2 9	1 10	15							16
16 N. LATIFI	18	NC	18	16	15	16	18	17	16	14	6 7	1 9	16	11	19	17							7
17 K. RÄIKKÖNEN	11	13	NC	12	11	10	17	11	15	15	10	19	-	-	4 8	12							6
18 A. GIOVINAZZI	12	14	12	15	1 10	11	15	15	14	13	13	13	14	13	16	11							1
19 M. SCHUMACHER	16	16	17	18	18	13	19	16	18	18	12	16	18	15	NC	19							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							0

F = FASTEST LAP

S = SPRINT QUALIFYING



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CONSTRUCTORS' 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	MERCEDES AMG PETRONAS F1 TEAM	41 1 3	19 F2 NC	41 1 F3	40 1 3	7 F7 NC	12 15	30 2 4	34 F2 3	30 2 4	43 1 3	18 2 NC	7.5 3 12	34 F2 3	18 3 NC	35 1 5	36 F1 5							433.5
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							397.5
3	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	11 NC	6 4 14	1 10 11	45 F1 2	19 4 F7	6 7 13							240
4	SCUDERIA FERRARI	12 6 8	22 4 5	8 6 11	18 4 7	18 2 DNS	16 4 8	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							232.5
5	ALPINE F1 TEAM	13 NC	3 9 10	10 7 8	2 9 17	2 9 13	8 6 NC	4 8 14	2 8 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							104
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							92
7	ASTON MARTIN COGNIZANT F1 TEAM	1 10 15	4 8 15	13 14	11 13	14 5 8	18 2 NC	3 9 10	4 8 12	13 17	4 8 NC	NC DSQ	5 20	12 13	6 7 12	11 12	2 9 18							61
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 9	16 17	2 11	9 19	10 17							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							7
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							0



FORMULA 1 TIMETABLE & FIA MEDIA SCHEDULE

THURSDAY

Press Conference 12.30 - 16.00

FRIDAY

Practice session 1 11.30 - 12.30

Press Conference 13.00 - 14.00

Practice session 2 15.00 - 16.00

SATURDAY

Practice session 3 13.00 - 14.00

Qualifying 16.00 - 17.00

SUNDAY

Race 14.00 - 16.00

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