



FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE L'AUTOMOBILE



RACE PREVIEW / 2022 EMILIA ROMAGNA GRAND PRIX, 22-24 APRIL



ROUND 04

Following three opening 'flyaway' races, F1 returns to its European heartland for round four of the 2022 FIA Formula One World Championship, the Emilia Romagna Grand Prix.

And this weekend's event at the Autodromo Internazionale Enzo e Dino Ferrari presents an extra challenge in the shape of this season's first Sprint event. With just one practice session to get up to speed before Friday afternoon's Qualifying session, teams and drivers face a race against the clock to find the right set-up on a track where speeds are as high as the potential for costly error. With overtaking opportunities at a premium on the tight circuit, Saturday's Sprint could also provide fireworks and, possibly, upsets.

The intensity of the weekend in Imola is likely to be heightened by the fact that Ferrari's Charles Leclerc sits atop the Drivers' standings on 71 points, 34 clear of Mercedes' George Russell, with Carlos Sainz third in the other Ferrari. The Scuderia has established a strong Constructors' Championship lead across the first three rounds, and with 104 points the home team is 39 clear of Mercedes, with Red Bull Racing 10 points further back in third.

AUTODROMO INTERNAZIONALE ENZO E DINO FERRARI

Length of lap: 4.909km

Lap record: 1:15.484 (Lewis Hamilton, Mercedes, 2020)

Start line/finish line offset: 0.218km

Total number of race laps: 63

Total race distance: 309.049km

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

DRS ZONES

DRS 1 **Detection** – 385m before Turn 17
Activation – 60m before Turn 19

CIRCUIT CHANGES

» There have been no changes of significance since the last event.

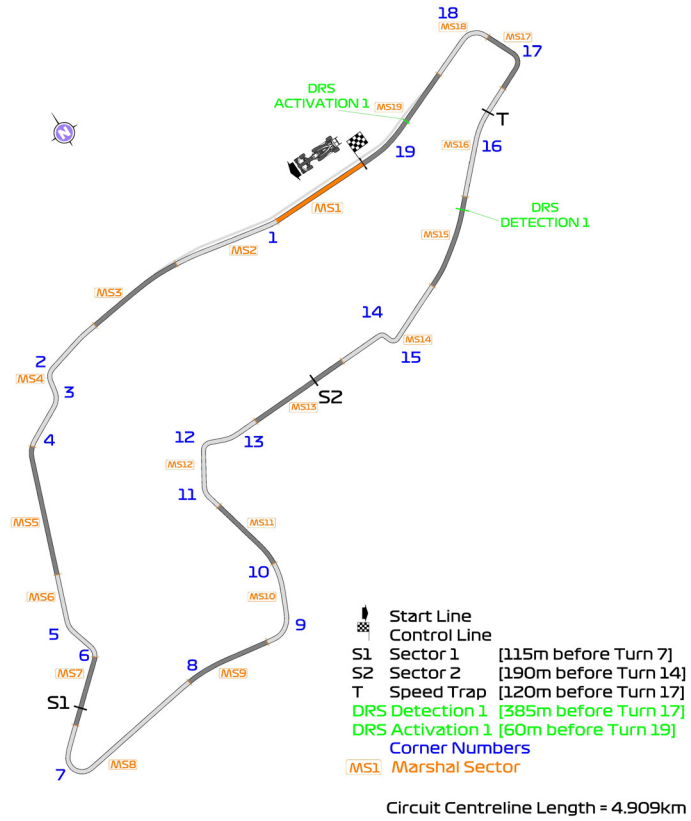


2022 EMILIA ROMAGNA GRAND PRIX

2021 STATS

WINNER:	M. Verstappen (Red Bull Racing)
PODIUM:	1. M. Verstappen (Red Bull Racing) 2. L. Hamilton (Mercedes) 3. L. Norris (McLaren)
FASTEST LAP:	L. Hamilton (Mercedes) 1:16.702
WINNING STRATEGY:	M. Verstappen (Red Bull Racing) In, Mn (27), Mu (33)
POLE POSITION:	L. Hamilton (Mercedes) 1:14.411

FORMULA 1 ROLEX GRAN PREMIO DEL MADE IN ITALY E DELL'EMILIA ROMAGNA 2022 - Imola



TYRES



C2 - HARD C3 - MEDIUM C4 - SOFT

FAST FACTS

- » This is the third FIA Formula One World Championship Emilia Romagna Grand Prix and the 30th F1 Grand Prix to be held at the Autodromo Internazionale Enzo e Dino Ferrari. The track first hosted the sport in 1980 with the only edition of F1's Italian Grand Prix to be held away from Monza. It was then the venue for the San Marino Grand Prix from 1981 to 2006.
- » Michael Schumacher is far and away the most successful driver at Imola. The German legend scored seven San Marino Grand Prix wins, starting in 1994 with Benetton. He then won with Ferrari in 1999, 2000, from 2002 to 2004 and finally in 2006, the last edition of that race. He is followed by Brazil's Ayrton Senna and France's Alain Prost each of whom has three wins at this track.

- » There are three Imola winners entered for this weekend's event. Fernando Alonso won here in 2005 with Renault, while Lewis Hamilton (2020) and Max Verstappen (2021) are the winners of the Emilia Romagna Grand Prix so far.
- » Schumacher may have the most wins at this track, but the record for pole positions goes to Senna. The Brazilian started from the front of the grid eight times – with Lotus in 1985, '86 and '87, with McLaren from 1988-'91 and with Williams in 1994. Schumacher is next on the list with five poles here, while René Arnoux started from the front three times.
- » Williams and Ferrari share the honours for most successful team at this track, with eight wins each. Williams were victorious in 1987 and 1992 with Nigel Mansell, with Riccardo Patrese in

- 1990, with Prost in 1993, with Damon Hill in 1995-'96, with Heinz-Harald Frentzen in 1997, and finally with Ralf Schumacher in 2001. Ferrari won for the first time in 1982 with Didier Pironi, repeated the feat in 1983 with Patrick Tambay and then won six times with Schumacher.
- » This weekend might be 2022 rookie Zhou Guanyu's first experience of Imola in an F1 car but the Chinese driver has raced here in junior series, though some time ago. In 2015 he finished on the podium here at Imola in Italian F4 with two second places at Round 3 and a third in opening race of Round 6. He raced here again in 2016 in the FIA Formula 3 European Championship. Formula 2 did not race here in either of the past two years when Guanyu competed in the series.



RACE STEWARDS BIOGRAPHIES



NISH SHETTY

FIA STEWARD AND MEMBER OF THE FIA INTERNATIONAL COURT OF APPEAL

Nish Shetty sits on the FIA International Court of Appeal as a judge and is a permanent member of the National Court of Appeal (Singapore). He is also Chairman of the Disciplinary Commission of the Singapore Motor Sports Association and a national steward of the Singapore Grand Prix. Shetty has assisted the Association for many years as a legal advisor and committee member. In addition to being involved in the Singapore Grand Prix, Shetty has acted as a steward in the Singapore Karting Championship. Away from motor sport, he is a Partner and Head of International Arbitration and Dispute Resolution, South East Asia at global law firm Clifford Chance.

FELIX HOLTER

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

Involved in motor sport in his native Germany from a young age, Felix Holter followed a junior karting career by moving into event organisation at 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 WTCC, DTM, the F3 Euro Series and the FIA F3 Trophy. In 2013 he became permanent Chairman of the Stewards in DTM. In 2018 he became a member of the FIA International Stewards Panel. Holter also organises training activities for International Stewards.



MIKA SALO

FORMER FORMULA 1, GT DRIVER

Finnish racer Mika Salo competed in over 100 grands prix between 1994-2002. After junior success in Britain and Japan, Salo made his Formula 1 debut for Lotus at the last two rounds of the 1994 season. Over the next eight years the Finn drove for Tyrrell, Arrows, BAR, Ferrari, Sauber and Toyota. He twice finished on the podium for Ferrari and scored points for Toyota in the Japanese manufacturer's debut race. After calling time on his F1 career, Salo competed predominantly in sports cars, most notably racing in GT classes. He has GT2 victories at both Le Mans and Sebring to his name, and in 2007 won the GT class in ALMS.

PAOLO LONGONI

NATIONAL STEWARD

Paolo Longoni has more than 30 years' experience of officiating at motor sport events. He began his stewards' training at his home circuit of Monza in 1990 and was immediately bitten by the motor sport bug. In 2009 he became an FIA steward and during the years since has officiated at Formula 1, Formula 2 and Formula 3 events. He has also acted as a steward in the FIA World Endurance Championship, FIA Formula E and the FIA World Touring Car Cup, regularly serving as Chairman of the panel of the Stewards. He is a regular national steward at the Italian Grand Prix.





FORMULA 1 TIMETABLE & FIA MEDIA SCHEDULE

FRIDAY

Press Conference	10.00 - 12.00
Practice session 1	13.30 - 14.30
Qualifying	17.00 - 18.00
Car Presentation	18:30 - 19.00

SATURDAY

Press Conference	10.00 - 11.00
Practice session 2	12.30 - 13.30
Sprint	16.30 - 17.00

SUNDAY

Race	15.00 - 17.00
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