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THE FORMULA 1 AZERBAIJAN GRAND PRIX 2019 – IGNITE THE CITY!

Dear friends,

On behalf of Baku City Circuit, please let me welcome you to the fourth successive Formula 1 race weekend in Azerbaijan.

Last year's race in Baku was once again an absolute thriller and confirms our fledgling race weekend as one of the most exciting and dramatic races on the F1 calendar where absolutely anything can – and often does – happen. Following on from the 2017 classic, the 2018 instalment of the Azerbaijan Grand Prix was a race that had it all, culminating in the most dramatic closing laps of any race in decades.

The 20 drivers who battled it out on the streets of our beautiful city really lived up to the moniker of Street Fighters – with a few perhaps taking it a little too literally!

This year we once again welcome the world to Baku to bear witness to the awe-inspiring sight of F1 cars negotiating one of the most challenging circuits in Formula 1. Baku City Circuit's winding, narrow sequences, 90-degree turns and high-speed straights - all set against the breath-taking backdrop of Baku's UNESCO-protected old city, magnificent skylines and beautiful seaside promenade - have proven to be a major challenge to the current F1 grid, resulting in the previous two years' spectacular outcomes and many on-track altercations.

We are very confident of a similar explosion of drama, speed and bravery igniting the city in 2019.

Furthermore, the off-track entertainment will once again ensure a jam-packed weekend of fun and games for all the family. World-class music, visual and conceptual artists will be performing all along the specially constructed Fan Zone all weekend. The highlight will be the headline concerts by two of the most successful artists in music today: Grammy & Academy Award winning singing sensation, Sam Smith and the spectacular, record and ground-breaking rap superstar Cardi B who will be performing in Baku's magnificent Crystal Hall on the Saturday and Sunday of the race weekend respectively. In addition, we are proud to launch our Official Baku City Sounds After Party featuring several of the world's best DJ's playing late into the night, every night across the weekend in the Elektra Hall.

Since our first race in 2016, Baku has established itself as an iconic host venue and continues to surprise and inspire all visitors. We encourage you to enjoy the warm Azerbaijani welcome and all the culinary and cultural delights our wonderful city has to offer.

The FORMULA 1 AZERBAIJAN GRAND PRIX 2019 is guaranteed to once again be an incredible weekend of racing action and live entertainment. It is our great hope that you will once again experience an unforgettable Formula 1 weekend with us here in Baku.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

TIMETABLE – FORMULA 1 2019 AZERBAIJAN GRAND PRIX BAKU 26-27-28 APRIL

THURSDAY

13:00	19:00	FIA	INITIAL SCRUTINEERING
14:00	15:30	PROMOTER ACTIVITY	3 DAY TICKET HOLDER PIT LANE WALK ONLY
15:00	16:00	FORMULA 1	TEAM MANAGERS' MEETING
16:00	18:00	FORMULA 1	TRACK CLOSED FIA/F1 SYSTEMS CHECKS – TRACK ACCESS RESTRICTED TO FIA/F1 ONLY
16:30	17:00	FIA FORMULA 2	DRIVERS' & TEAM MANAGERS' MEETING
16:45	17:00	FIA	TRACK INSPECTION
17:00	18:00	FORMULA 1	PRESS CONFERENCE
17:00	18:00	FIA	HIGH SPEED TRACK TEST – FIA SAFETY AND MEDICAL CARS
18:05	19:35	FORMULA 1	F1 EXPERIENCE – PIT LANE WALK
18:05	19:35	FORMULA 1	F1 EXPERIENCE – TRUCK TOUR

FRIDAY

10:30	10:45	FIA	TRACK & MEDICAL INSPECTION AND SAFETY CAR TEST
11:00	11:45¹	FIA FORMULA 2	PRACTICE SESSION
11:55	12:25	PADDOCK CLUB	PADDOCK CLUB TRUCK TOUR
11:55	12:45	PADDOCK CLUB	PADDOCK CLUB PIT LANE WALK
12:30	12:40	FIA	TRACK INSPECTION
13:00	14:30¹	FORMULA 1	FIRST PRACTICE SESSION
15:00	15:30	FIA FORMULA 2	QUALIFYING SESSION
15:00	16:00	FORMULA 1	PRESS CONFERENCE
15:40	16:10	PADDOCK CLUB	PADDOCK CLUB TRUCK TOUR
15:40	16:45	PADDOCK CLUB	PADDOCK CLUB PIT LANE WALK
16:00	16:30	FIA FORMULA 2	PRESS CONFERENCE
16:30	16:40	FIA	TRACK INSPECTION
17:00	18:30¹	FORMULA 1	SECOND PRACTICE SESSION
18:45	19:30	PADDOCK CLUB	PADDOCK CLUB TRUCK TOUR
18:45	19:30	PROMOTER ACTIVITY	MARSHAL/VOLUNTEER PIT LANE WALK
20:00	21:00	FORMULA 1	DRIVERS' MEETING

* These times refer to the start of the formation lap

¹ Fixed End Session ² Approximate Finishing time

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SATURDAY

10:30	11:00	Paddock Club	Paddock Club Truck Tour
10:20	10:50	Paddock Club	Paddock Club Pit Lane Walk
11:00	11:15	FIA	Track & Medical Inspection and Safety Car Test
11:00	11:30	Formula 1	Team Pit Stop Practice
11:45	11:50	FIA Formula 2	Pit Lane Open
12:00*	13:05²	FIA Formula 2	First Race (29 Laps or 60 Mins)
13:20	13:50	FIA Formula 2	Press Conference
13:30	13:40	FIA	Track Inspection
14:00	15:00¹	Formula 1	Third Practice Session
15:15	15:45	Paddock Club	Paddock Club Truck Tour
15:30	16:30	Paddock Club	Paddock Club Pit Lane Walk
16:30	16:40	FIA	Track Inspection
17:00	18:00	Formula 1	Qualifying Session
18:00	19:00	Formula 1	Press Conference
18:30	19:00	Paddock Club	Paddock Club Truck Tour

SUNDAY

11:45	12:15	Paddock Club	Paddock Club Truck Tour
11:45	12:15	Paddock Club	Paddock Club Pit Lane Walk
11:45	12:15	FIA Formula 2	Drivers' Track Parade
12:20	12:35	FIA	Track & Medical Inspection and Track Test
12:55	13:00	FIA Formula 2	Pit Lane Open
13:10*	14:00²	FIA Formula 2	Second Race (21 Laps or 45 Mins)
14:10	15:00	Paddock Club	Paddock Club Pit Lane Walk
14:15	14:45	FIA Formula 2	Press Conference
14:25	14:55	Paddock Club	Paddock Club Truck Tour
14:30	15:00	Formula 1	Drivers' Track Parade
15:10	15:20	FIA	Track & Medical Inspection
15:30	15:40	Formula 1	Pit Lane Open
15:54	15:56	Formula 1	National Anthem
16:10*	18:10²	Formula 1	Grand Prix (51 Laps or 120 Mins)

*These times refer to the start of the formation lap

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BAKU CITY CIRCUIT MAP



CIRCUIT STATISTICS

Track Length: 6.003km

Official Top Speed in 2016: 366km/h

Laps: 51

Pit Lane Length: 330m

Pit Lane Speed:

80km/h

Turns: 20

Fastest pit stop: 1.92 seconds

Fastest Qualification Lap - Lewis Hamilton / Mercedes / 1:40.593 / Average Speed 214.834km/h (2017)

Fastest Race Lap - Sebastian Vettel / Ferrari / lap 47 / 1:43.441 / Average Speed 208.919km/h (2017)

Fastest Race - Nico Rosberg / Mercedes / 1:32'52.366 / Average Speed 197.721km/h (2016)

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CIRCUIT STATISTICS

The below picture shows the various speeds reached at different points of the track (2017 Qualifying Data).



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TRAVEL INFORMATION

HOW TO GET TO BAKU CITY CIRCUIT

The following information is provided to inform Spectators, local residents and businesses located around the Race Track of changes to the surrounding areas as a result of the 2019 Formula 1® Azerbaijan Grand Prix. To facilitate the set-up of race infrastructure, roads that make up the street circuit will be closed to pedestrian and public vehicular traffic.

Plan your arrival at the Vending Area carefully. Due to the road closures there are strict limitations on arrival by private vehicle or taxi, it is not possible to be dropped off at the circuit gates. You can access the circuit gates via the temporary overhead and underground passes.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Since there is NO parking reserved for spectators, Public Transport is the easiest way to get to and from the Race Track.

Airport

There are buses and taxis connecting the airport and the city.

Distance from the Airport to the Race Track - 23.7 km

There is a shuttle bus line operating 24/7 using the route Airport – City Centre – Airport, please refer to <http://www.aeroexpress.az/> for more details.

Metro

Baku's highly efficient Metro system provides an easy way for getting around the city centre.

The closest metro stations to the Race Track are as follows;

1. Icheri Sheher metro station - in the immediate vicinity of the Race Track.
2. 28 May metro station - 0.7 km from the Race Track.
3. Sahil metro station - in the immediate vicinity of the Race Track.

On 26, 27 and 28 April '19, Icheri Sheher, 28 May and Sahil metro stations will be operational for Entry & Exit until 02:00a.m., and the remaining ones until 02:00am **for Exit only**.

Please refer to <http://www.metro.gov.az/en/> for more details.

Public Buses

On Saturday, 27th April 2019, and Sunday, 28th April 2019, the below Public Bus routes will be operational from 06:00 AM until 02:00 AM.

Bus route #65

Operator: BNA

Operator's website: <http://bna.az/en>

Nearest Stop at the Venue: Azerbaijan Avenue (near MUM Store)

Route frequency: 5 minutes

Stops by route: Fuzuli Square, M. Mukhtarov Street, Nizami Street and S. Rustamov Street

Route: A. Javad Street → Azerbaijan Avenue → Fuzuli Square → Z. Ahmadbayov Street → Tbilisi Avenue → 20 January Street → A. Maharramov Street → Mir Jalal Street.

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Bus route #5

Operator: BakuBus

Operator's website: <https://www.bakubus.az/en>

Nearest Stop at the Venue: Rashid Behbudov Street (close to Rashid Behbudov Theatre)

Stops by route: Narimanov Metro Station, 28 May Metro Station at Salatin Asgarova Street, 28 May Metro Station at Jafar Jabbarli Street, 28 May Street at Samed Vurgun Park, Nizami Street and Rashid Behbudov Street (close to Rashid Behbudov Theatre)

Route frequency: 3 minutes

Route: Narimanov Metro Station → 28 May Metro Station at Salatin Asgarova Street → 28 May Metro Station at Jafar Jabbarli Street → 28 May Street at Samed Vurgun Park → Nizami Street and Rashid Behbudov Street (close to Rashid Behbudov Theatre)

Bus route #53

Operator: BNA

Operator's website: <http://bna.az/en>

Nearest Stop at the Venue: Intourist Hotel (Boulevard side)

Stops by route: 20th Zone Roundabout, Aquatic Centre, National Flag Square and opposite Intourist Hotel (Boulevard side till 17:00)

Route frequency: 6 minutes

Route: 20th Zone Roundabout → Bibiheybat Road (city direction) → Neftchilar Avenue (E119 city direction) → turning manoeuvre at U-turn at Intourist Hotel (from Boulevard side till 17:00)

However, please note that public buses servicing the vicinity of the Race Track may be disrupted.

Taxi

A cab can take you to the passenger drop-off point close to the Race Track, but NOT to the Venue entrance Gates. Please refer to <https://www.bakutaxi.info/taxi> where you can find information on all taxi companies which are operational in Baku.

Having learned in advance the cost of the trip via the above website, you can compare the various services and choose the more affordable among them. In the event of any issues with your driver, you can complain to the taxi company. Similarly, for any lost or forgotten items, you can speak to management of your taxi company.

You can call a taxi in various ways: by calling the dispatch service number, placing an order online through the above site or through an application on your smartphone, which is very convenient. Taxi fares vary depending on the class of the car. The average travel time is 10-15 minutes.

For the convenience of customers, the taxi companies offer many different payment options:

- Cash
- Visa and MasterCard when booking online,
- Mobile application or bank terminal;

The possibility of paying by credit card must be specified in advance, as not all companies provide such a service.

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Spectator Shuttle Service from Race Track to / from Baku Crystal Hall

On Saturday, 27th April 2019, and Sunday, 28th April 2019, the Main Concerts will take place in Baku's Crystal Hall on the Coastal Boulevard adjacent to Flag Square.

The walking distance from the far point of the Boulevard Vending Area to Baku Crystal Hall is approximately 5km. For ticketholders who prefer using public transport instead of walking, shuttle buses will be available to reach the Crystal Hall.

The schedule of operations for the shuttle buses are as follows:

Transfers from Baku City Circuit to Baku Crystal Hall

Saturday: 19:00 approx. – 21:30

Sunday: 18:30 approx. – 21:30

Vehicle: IVECO Crealis

Capacity: 75 – 100 PAX

Transfers from Baku Crystal Hall to Baku City Circuit

Saturday: 23:00 – 01:30 approx. (next day)

Sunday: 23:00 – 01:30 approx. (next day)

Vehicle: IVECO Crealis

Capacity: 75 – 100 PAX

Spectator Shuttle Service at Baku City Circuit (internal)

On Friday, 26th April 2019, and Saturday, 27th April 2019, after completion of the main events on track, an internal shuttle bus service will be activated for ticketholders participating in the spectator track walk.

The schedule of operations for these shuttles is as follows:

Thursday: 20:00 – 01:30 (next day)

Friday: 20:00 – 01:30 (next day)

Saturday: 19:00 – 01:30 (next day)

Vehicle: IVECO Crealis

Capacity: 75 – 100 PAX

Spectator Shuttle Service from the Boulevard Vending Area to / from Baku Crystal Hall via Ferry

In addition to the shuttle bus services to the Crystal Hall, there will also be free of charge ferry transfers (weather depending) made available from the Boulevard Vending Area to and from Baku Crystal Hall as per the below schedule:

Saturday, 27th April 2019

18:55-19:10 Check-in & Embarkation at Boulevard wharf
19:10-19:30 Sailaway and Transit to Crystal Hall
19:30-19:40 Arrival & Disembarkation at Crystal Hall wharf
19:40-20:00 Sailaway and Transit back to Boulevard wharf
20:00-20:15 Check-in & Embarkation at Boulevard wharf
20:15-20:35 Sailaway and Transit to Crystal Hall
20:35-20:45 Arrival & Disembarkation at Crystal Hall wharf
20:45-21:05 Sailaway and Transit back to Boulevard wharf

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Sunday, 28th April 2019

18:55-19:10 Check-in & Embarkation at Boulevard wharf
19:10-19:30 Sailaway and Transit to Crystal Hall
19:30-19:40 Arrival & Disembarkation at Crystal Hall wharf
19:40-20:00 Sailaway and Transit back to Boulevard wharf
20:00-20:15 Check-in & Embarkation at Boulevard wharf
20:15-20:35 Sailaway and Transit to Crystal Hall
20:35-20:45 Arrival & Disembarkation at Crystal Hall wharf
20:45-21:05 Sailaway and Transit back to Boulevard wharf

Vessel – “Mirvari”

Capacity – 450 passengers

Smoking and e-cigarettes are not allowed on the vessel. All smoking materials must be extinguished before boarding the vessel. No smoking is allowed within 25 meters of entry to the ferry wharf.

Road Closures, Traffic and Parking Control

Road Closures, Traffic and Parking Control Plan will be implemented starting from 22nd April 2019, at 01:00.

Road Closures, Traffic and Parking Control Plan will be deactivated on Tuesday, 30th April 2019, at 06:00.

During the Race-Week there will be NO restrictions for Local Residents in terms of walking on foot, except with regards entrance to the Venue. The entrance to the Venue is only accessible to Ticket Holders and for Event staff with appropriate accreditation.

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BAKU CITY INFORMATION – HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY

Baku is the capital and largest city of Azerbaijan. It is located on the southern shore of the Absheron Peninsula, which projects into the Caspian Sea. At 28 metres below sea level, Baku is the lowest lying national capital in the world and is home to approximately 3 million people. It is twinned with the European cities of Naples in Italy, Sarajevo in Bosnia and Izmir in Turkey.

The capital city lies on the eastern side of Azerbaijan and is surrounded by the Caspian Sea - the world's largest lake. Baku is famous for the unique Neft Dashlari (Oil Rocks), in the middle of the Caspian Sea, which is the largest inhabited and oldest offshore oil city in the world.

Baku offers visitors the opportunity to enjoy all the attractions that a modern European city has to offer while also embracing traditions and culture that date back to medieval times. Located at the crossroads of Europe and Asia, the city is one of the world's best-kept secrets, hosting world-class sporting and cultural events and modern and ancient attractions, presenting visitors with unlimited things to discover and enjoy.

Perhaps one of the most unique features of Baku is that it is the first European city which the sun rises in. The picturesque city is built on a high hill and forms an amphitheater that slopes down to Baku Bay. It is often compared to San Francisco or Naples in Italy, with whom it is twinned.

Baku's reputation as the 'City of Contrasts' is well earned with the city having perfectly combined the beauty and intrigue of its ancient past with its ambition to establish itself as a modern European city featuring award winning architecture, business centres and skyscrapers.

The city consists of two principal parts: the contemporary downtown area and the old Inner City (Icheri Sheher). The Old City of Baku along with the Palace of the Shirvanshahs and Maiden Tower were confirmed as UNESCO World Heritage Sites in 2000. Baku has existed for thousands of years and is firmly established as the pearl of Azerbaijani architecture and culture. Within its old town walls visitors can travel back in time as they explore a maze of narrow cobbled streets, ancient buildings and courtyards surrounding the 12th century Maiden Tower and the ornate Palace of the Shirvanshahs.

The modern face of Baku is equally impressive. New developments have redefined the hills that line the picturesque Bay of Baku and even the coastline itself. The iconic Heydar Aliyev Centre, designed by well-known architect Zaha Hadid, provides a stunning setting for music performances of world stars, museum exhibits and modern art collections. Visits to the National Art Museum and Museum of Modern Art are also highly recommended.

Baku's Flame Towers are the tallest skyscrapers in the city at 190 meters, the flame shaped design symbolizing the essence of Baku. These spectacular buildings, which have become a symbol of the city's new modern outlook, comprise apartments, a hotel and offices. The Flame Towers take on another dimension each evening when thousands of LED lights illuminate the façade of the three towers to display the movement of a fire visible from the farthest points of the city.

The giant national flag, standing at 162 meters, was once named in the Guinness World Record Book as the tallest unsupported flagpole. It stands just next to the Crystal Hall that was built specifically for the 2012 Eurovision Song Contest and which has played host to performances from international superstars, including Jennifer Lopez, Rihanna and Shakira.

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USEFUL INFORMATION

Banks and credit cards

There are a multitude of ATM machines located around Baku, most of which accept international debit and credit cards. Larger bank branches are open Mondays to Fridays (shorter day) but are closed on Saturdays and Sundays. International credit and debit cards are accepted in most restaurants and larger shops.

Currency

The national currency is the Azerbaijani Manat (AZN). One hundred Gépik (coins) equals one Manat, and Manat notes come in 1, 5, 10, 20, 50 and 100 denominations. It is not possible to exchange currency into Manat in countries other than Azerbaijan, so visitors will need to use the foreign exchange desk at the arrivals hall at the airport or withdraw from ATMs around the city.

Electricity

Standard electrical power in Azerbaijan is 220v. Electrical equipment and appliances use the standard European 220-240v two-pin plug.

Gratuities and tipping

Tipping is not expected across Azerbaijan but is common in Baku. Occasionally a service charge is included on the bill, particularly in more established hotels and restaurants. Like any other place in the world, tipping for above-average service will be appreciated.

Language

The official language is Azerbaijani but many people also speak Russian, Turkish and English.

General Opening Hours

Office hours are officially 09:00 to 18:00 Mondays through Fridays. Banks operate from 09:00 to 18:00, while service hours are from 09:30 to 17:00. Shops generally open around 09:30 or 10:00 and close around 20:00. Shops are open seven days a week. Bars and restaurants are open until at least 23:00.

Smoking

Smoking is permitted in public areas across Azerbaijan, including most restaurants and bars. Smoking will not be permitted in any Baku City Circuit venue, except for designated smoking areas.

Taxes (VAT)

VAT in Azerbaijan is similar to that in most European VAT systems, with tax levied on the supply of most goods and services and on the import of goods. VAT payers are entitled to recover the amount of VAT paid on purchases (input VAT) that exceeds the VAT received from their taxable supplies (output VAT).

Telephones

The country code for Azerbaijan is 994 and the city code for Baku is 012. The international exit code for calling out of Azerbaijan is 00 and must be dialled before the relevant country code and telephone number. Azerbaijani mobile phone numbers have 10 digits and most mobile numbers start with 050 or 051. All 10 digits must be dialled for calls within Azerbaijan. For example: 050-123-XXXX. When calling from outside Azerbaijan, the country code then number minus the zero should be dialled. For example: +994-50-123-XXXX.

Time Zone

Azerbaijan is UTC+4 hour

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BAKU CARD

3 DIFFERENT CARD TYPES

BakuCard is the official pass that unlocks Azerbaijan's vibrant capital making the spectacular city even more appealing for visitors. BakuCard includes free public transport, entry to selected city museums and attractions, plus discounts and special offers at shops, cafes, restaurants and much more.

- 24 Hour BakuCard – 24 AZN (approx. 12 Euro)
- 72 Hour BakuCard – 45 AZN (approx. 22 Euro)
- 1 Week BakuCard – 70 AZN (approx. 35 Euro)
- Free public transport
- Easier access to local museums and UNESCO listed monuments
- Over 300 cooperating partners
- Discounts in Cafés & Restaurants, Shops, Entertainment Centres etc.
- Half-price for the Hop-On Hop-Off Baku City Tour

Please use the following link to review the full list of partners. <http://bakucard.az/partners/>

EMERGENCY AND USEFUL NUMBERS

101 Fire brigade	+(994 12) 590 91 19 Lost Property Office
102 Police	+(994 12) 497 27 27 Airport Directory
103 Ambulance	+(994 12) 493 93 66 Railway Station Directory
106 Exact Time	+(994 12) 493 08 68 Sea Port Directory
112 Ministry of Emergency Situations	www.baku.azerbaijan.travel Baku Tourism Info
113 Ambulance Traffic Accidents	
919 State Migration Service	
URGENT ON-SITE ASSISTANCE	+(994 50) 254 77 29 Venue +(994 50) 254 77 02 Paddock +(994 12) 497 09 11 Medi Club/ Nearest Hospital

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BCC ENTERTAINMENT

RACE WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

After three successful races since its debut in 2016, the Formula 1 Azerbaijan Grand Prix returns to Baku in 2019 with an even more impressive racing and entertainment program to get Formula 1 fans into the outdoor festival spirit!

Baku City Circuit is home to the most beautiful vending area in Formula 1, situated as it is along the shores of the Caspian Sea boulevard in downtown Baku and is made up of three differently themed Zones adjacent to the main grandstands where fans can enjoy a variety of amazing entertainment activities and live performances by visual artists, musicians and much more.

The most amazing and unforgettable part of the off-track entertainment offering at the Formula 1 race weekend will be the two nightly concerts by Sam Smith and Cardi B on Saturday and Sunday respectively.

Entertainments at our Vending Zones

F1 Fan Zone / Zone 1 - there is a huge range of entertainment on offer for F1 fans of all ages in the largest and most active fan zone. Hanging Cars and Memory Boards are on site to let you take home a special memory as a part of your F1 story and leave an imprint of your stay in Baku.

You can also challenge yourself at the exciting F1 Pit Stop Challenge, F1 Reaction Challenge, and E-Sports Game Zone.

You will also have plenty of time and opportunity to rest and recharge at our colorful Chill Out points while the little F1 fans can enjoy art classes at the Kids Pit Stop.

The Replica Podium will allow you to feel what it is like to win a Grand Prix and take home a special photo memento from the top step. You won't only create art at the Helmet Art painting station but also become a part of said art when you enter the multi-reflective Infinity Room.

To feel the true spirit of Azerbaijani culture, tradition and hospitality you must also visit the Azerbaijan Cultural Lounge. One of the most fabulous and memorable aspects of the race weekend for F1 fans are the Autograph Sessions that give fans a chance to meet their F1 heroes, get their autographs and take a picture with them.

Funfair Zone / Zone 2 is dedicated to providing F1 Fans with an exciting, memorable and premium event experience. You can relax in the very comfortable Chill Out zone, enjoy the amazing roaming entertainers' and dancers' performances and spend a fantastic and unforgettable time participating in the exciting, magical Travelling Funfair. This street theatre performance will definitely amaze you! A large variety of outdoor Games, fortune-teller, puppeteers, magicians and much more will be waiting for you!

Red Zone / Zone 3 is a truly wonderful place where not only kids but also adults will enjoy the entertainment on offer. A Children's Driving School is designed for kids to learn more about motorsports and foster a love for the sport that will hopefully last forever. The busy and bustling nature of this zone also allows for plenty of opportunities to get more acquainted with lots of people from all over the world. In addition, this Zone also has the popular Chill Out areas, Azerbaijan Cultural Lounge, a Memory Boards and Replica Podium for spectators to enjoy. The Game Zone also offers all ticket holders the chance to test their driving skills on the simulator.

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RACE WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

Baku Crystal Hall / Yellow Zone - with its distinct character and astonishing acoustic sounds, Baku's Crystal Hall has been chosen as the venue for the headline concerts once again. This incredible venue is dedicated to delivering a high-class concert experience for fans at the Formula 1 Azerbaijan Grand Prix 2019. By hosting two major concerts with global superstars Sam Smith and Cardi B – on Saturday and Sunday respectively – the Crystal Hall will be the perfect venue to keep the party going each night.

Driver Autograph Sessions

Get close to your F1 heroes at the 2019 Formula 1 Azerbaijan Grand Prix weekend during the hugely popular Driver Autograph Sessions. Fans can get an autograph, take a selfie and shake the hand of their favorite driver throughout the weekend. The signing sessions will take place on the main F1 stage on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Q&A Sessions

We want to bring Baku City Circuit guests a powerful and informative learning experience through a series of engaging live Q&A sessions with key personnel in the world of motor racing. These sessions are often the only time during the weekend dedicated to audience interaction with motorsport stars and F1 figures on the main Stage.

Drivers' Parade

The Drivers' Parade is a lap around the Baku City Circuit taken by all the F1 drivers - usually on a single vehicle - where they can greet all the F1 fans that have come to cheer them on before the race starts. The Driver's Parade will take place on 28th April, about an hour before the race starts and is certainly an experience not to be missed.

National Anthem

The National Anthem Ceremony is always a proud moment for everyone associated with the Formula 1 Azerbaijan Grand Prix as it pays tribute to Azerbaijan, as well all the countries involved in this special occasion. Political and F1 dignitaries, as well as all the drivers, will line up before the start of the race on April 28th as the Azerbaijani National Anthem is played in full as a mark of respect to the country hosting this major event.

Podium Ceremony (Track Invasion)

The Podium Ceremony takes place after the race is finished on Sunday when the top three drivers celebrate their success in front of their adoring fans. Accompanied by fireworks and confetti the winners will traditionally spray the champagne and create a festive mood. Ahead of the ceremony, the track gates in the F1 Fan Zone will open for fans to come closer to the podium and 'invade' the track to cheer on the winning driver(s)!

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ACCREDITATION AND MEDIA CENTRE

ACCREDITATION

The MAC will be located at the following address:

Port Baku Mall,
151 Neftchilar Ave,
Baku AZ1010,
Azerbaijan
Phone: +994 55 900 35 39

Media Accreditation Centre Operational Period	Hours of Operation
Wednesday, 24- Apr -19	10:00-19:00
Thursday, 25- Apr -19	10:00-19:00
Friday, 26- Apr -19	10:00-19:00
Saturday, 27- Apr -19	10:00-15:00
Sunday, 28- Apr -19	10:00-15:00

MEDIA CENTRE

The Media Centre is located on the second floor of the Hilton Hotel, Baku, offering views of the Formula 1 Paddock and Baku City Circuit.

Media Centre Operational Period	Hours of Operation
Wednesday, 24 - Apr -19	11:00-23:00
Thursday, 25 - Apr -19	09:00-23:00
Friday, 26- Apr -19	09:00-23:00
Saturday, 27 - Apr -19	09:00-00:00
Sunday, 28 - Apr -19	08:00- (until the last journalist leaves)

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FACILITIES

Press Room

- 442 seats for media & photographers
- 112 TV / Timing monitors
- P.A speakers / date / Wi-Fi

Locker Room

- 540 lockers (460 regular; 80 large lockers)

(Please obtain a key from one of the Media Centre staff at the reception desk. A small deposit per key is applicable.)

Telecom Centre

- 2 printers / photocopier / scanner
- 12 seats
- 6 telephones & 6 public PCs
- Telefax services are available
- upon request TV / Radio

32 boxes are available to television and radio commentators (29 singles; 1 double; 1 speaker booth)

MEDIA TRANSPORT & SHUTTLES

From Airport – to Hotel

A free taxi service has been organized for media providing transportation from Heydar Aliyev International Airport to the designated media hotel. The designated media taxi service will depart from Heydar Aliyev International Airport (GYD), located 20 km northeast of Baku, and is based on advance bookings. These taxis will travel to the Central Park media hotel. To avail of this free taxi service, journalists will have had to provide their flight details and request transportation from BCC beforehand. Upon arrival at the airport, BCC's Arrivals and Departures Team will provide guidance for media transportation.

For those who haven't requested the taxi service prior to their arrival, public transport services from/to GYD are also available via Baku Bus services. This public bus service departs every 30 minutes into the city centre and is priced at approx. 1.7 Manat (1 USD) per trip.

The cost of a standard Taxi service from GYD to downtown Baku is approximately AZN 25.

Uber also operates in Baku.

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MEDIA TRANSPORT & SHUTTLES

Hotel - Media Centre / MAC – Hotel

There is also shuttle bus service from the Central Park media designated hotel to the Media Accreditation Centre and to the Media Centre. Besides from Central Park based media representatives, all media representatives can come to the Central Park hotel to avail of the free shuttle bus service to the Media Accreditation Centre and Media Centre with FOM accreditation.

The shuttle service from media hotels to MAC/MC drop off zone will be provided according to MAC and MC operating hours' schedules.

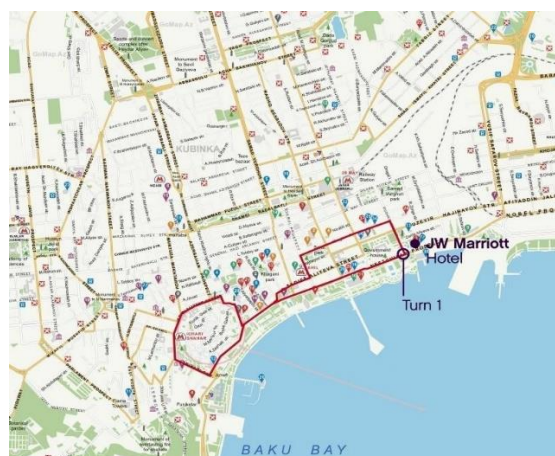
Media Hotel Service to Media Centre & Media Accreditation Centre Operating Times		Approximate Travel time	Frequency
24.04	11:00 – 23:00	15 min	Every hour (Frequency of busses subject to change depending on demand)
25.04	08:30 – 23:00		
26.04	08:30 – 23:00		
27.04	08:30 – 23:00		
28.04	08:30 – 23:00		

Car Park Information

For those media representatives using rent a car or their own vehicle to reach Media Centre, the media Car Park is located right next to the Media Accreditation Centre, in front of the Port Baku Mall main entrance.

Taxis to Media Centre

There is no shortage of taxis across Baku. However, as can be expected during a street race there will be traffic restrictions throughout parts of the city within the circuit's perimeters. For media taking taxis to the Media Centre (located in the Hilton Hotel), you are advised to ask the taxi driver to take you as close as possible to the JW Marriott Hotel by Turn 1 (see map below) and then walk over the footbridge into the Paddock.



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F1 Concerts Info

Million-selling global artists Sam Smith and Cardi B will be performing on Saturday 27th, and Sunday 28th April respectively in Baku's stunning Crystal Hall – adjacent to Flag Square - after the on-track action has ended. All accredited media are guaranteed access to these two concerts. Please ensure you keep your accreditation passes and wristbands (handed out on-site) on you at all times.

The approximate start time for the warm up acts to come on stage is scheduled for 20.00, with the main artists coming on at 21.00 and finishing around 23.00.

How to Get to the Baku Crystal Hall

On Foot

The walking distance from the furthest edge of the F1 Vending Area located along the Boulevard to the Crystal Hall is approximately 5km.

By Media Shuttle

Exclusive Media designated shuttle services will be running between the Hilton Media Centre and Crystal Hall concert area on the respective concert days. Given the high demand on this door to door service this priority service will be operating on a first come first serve basis:

Media Centre - Baku Crystal Hall

Saturday: 19:00 – 21:30

Sunday: 19:00 – 21:30

Vehicle: Mercedes Sprinter (2)

Capacity: PAX 18

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Photographers' Services

Photographers' shuttles before and after each session will link the important corners around the circuit.
Operating Hours: Please refer to the schedule on the Media Centre's official notice board for photographers' shuttles.

In addition to the on-track transport service, the golf cart service operating within the F1 Vending Area will be available during each of the sessions. Please refer to the below map for shuttle and golf carts pick up/drop off points.



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Photographers' buildings

To help ensure a smooth and effective operation with regards to the photographers' windows with the further provision of access and transport to these specific points, Baku City Circuit offers a number of spaces in buildings along the track to enable photographers to get the best possible shots of the race. Access to these buildings will require putting your name down on the sign-up sheet in the MC photographers' room. The list of buildings on offer can be found below:

	<p>Bul-Bul str. 2nd floor balcony Azerbaijan, Baku city, Xaqani 43 street</p>
	<p>Cinema Plus Mahammad Amin Rasulzadeh str., Azerbaijan Cinema</p>
	<p>Rasul Rza Street. Roof of Emporio Armani boutique building</p>

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	<p>25 Istiglaliyyat Street, Roof of Sadikhov's building, facing Philharmonic</p>
	<p>Gosha Gala Gapisi</p>
	<p>31 Istiglaliyyat street. Balconie on 4th floor facing Icheri Sheher Metro Station.</p>
	<p>Turn 15. Niyazi Street, National Museum of Art Building</p>

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Media Sightseeing Tour – Wednesday April 24th

Baku City Circuit is excited to once again welcome the international media to Baku for the 2019 FORMULA 1 AZERBAIJAN GRAND PRIX. In order to enable you to experience more of our beautiful city and to visit the main historic landmarks and cultural highlights away from the track, BCC is once again offering media a complementary sightseeing tour on Wednesday, April 24th.

This year, BCC has organized a tour which will showcase the mysterious old and modern architecture of Azerbaijan to media representatives visiting Baku. The schedule for the planned tour is as follows:

- A visit to the Heydar Aliyev Center , one of the most distinctive and popular buildings in the world, known for its stunning architecture
- A visit to Villa Petrolea – the Azerbaijani residence of the Nobel brothers for a period of 40 years

Please Note: The tour will be carried out on a first come, first served basis with the maximum capacity being 60 people. All you need to do is to sign up by emailing mediaservices@bakugp.az no later than **9am on Tuesday, April 23rd** and providing your full name and details of your media outlet.

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Tour Schedule: Wednesday, 24th April

(Excursion lasts for approximately 4 hours)

10:00 – 10:30 – Transfer from Hilton Hotel Media Center

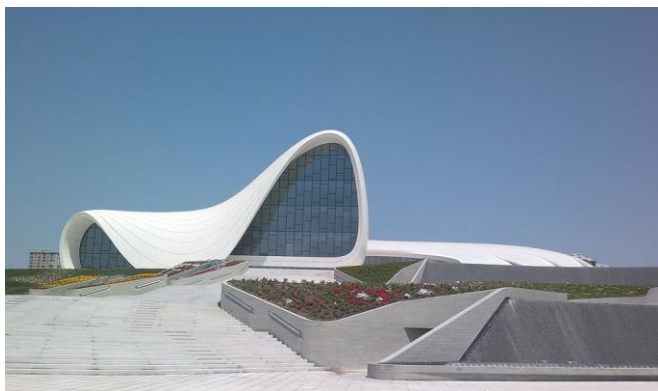
10:30 – 11:30 - Excursion to Heydar Aliyev Center

11:30 – 12:00 – Transfer to Villa Petrolea

12:00 – 13:00 – Visit Villa Petrolea

13:00 – 13:30 – Tour ends – Transfer back to Hilton Hotel Media Centre

Heydar Aliyev Center



Building name: Heydar Aliyev Centre

Architect: Zaha Hadid

Date Built: 2007-2012

The Heydar Aliyev Centre is a building complex in Baku, Azerbaijan designed by Iraqi-British architect Zaha Hadid and noted for its distinctive architecture and flowing, curved style that eschews sharp angles. The centre is named after the national leader of Azerbaijan, Heydar Aliyev. An internationally recognized architectural work, the building of the Heydar Aliyev Centre has become a signature landmark of modern Baku due to its innovative and cutting-edge design.

The building was nominated for awards in 2013 at both the World Architecture Festival and the biennial Inside Festival. In 2014, the Centre won the Design Museum's Design of the Year Award 2014. This makes Zaha Hadid the first woman to win the top prize in that competition.

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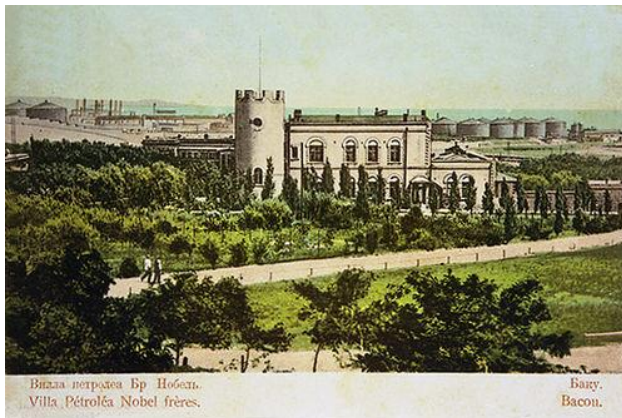
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Villa Petrolea



Constructed in 1884, Villa Petrolea was a residence for the Nobel brothers for almost 40 years. In 1879 they established the Brothers' Nobel Oil Company – "Branobel", which very soon became one of the biggest oil companies in the world and the only vertically integrated. Despite the commonly held belief that Alfred Nobel together with his elder brothers Ludwig and Robert, were the founders and major shareholders of "Branobel", it was in fact the "father" of the company, Ludwig Nobel, who made the most significant contribution to the development of the oil industry in Azerbaijan, aiding its economic, scientific and cultural rise at the end of 19th Century. He was generally regarded as the true 'oil king' of that time. Ludwig Nobel built the city's first oil tanker, oil pipeline and storage reservoirs.

Ludwig Nobel and then his son Emmanuel, who skillfully managed the "Branobel" until 1920, when Bolshevik Red Army invaded in Baku and nationalized the oil industry, considered Baku (Villa Petrolea) as their second home. They created a real oasis, a beautiful park in the famous "Black City" of Baku, with trees and flowers from Italy and France. Their architects, invited from Europe, constructed the modern Village Petrolea with houses for top managers as well as schools, theatres and hospitals, etc. But the central point was the brother's Nobel family house – Villa Petrolea - which was completely reconstructed and restored in 2007 by the Baku Nobel Heritage Fund (BNHF), a non-profit private organization. BNHF was established in 2004 as a civil initiative to restore the Nobel brothers' heritage in Baku. Villa Petrolea is now home to the Nobel Brothers' Museum, International Conference Centre and the Baku Nobel Oil Club.

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PRESS CONFERENCES

FORMULA ONE

Thursday, 17.00 hrs in the Media Centre:

Press Conference for a maximum of five drivers, chosen by the FIA Media Delegate.

Friday, 15:00 hrs in the Media Centre:

Press Conference for a maximum of five team representatives, chosen by the FIA Media Delegate.

Saturday, following the Qualifying session:

TV unilateral interview with the top three drivers of the qualifying session (transmitted in the Media Centre).

Saturday, after the TV unilateral interview in the Media Centre:

Post-Qualifying Press Conference with the top three drivers of the qualifying session.

Sunday, following the podium celebrations:

TV unilateral interview with the top three finishing drivers. (Transmitted into the Media Centre).

Sunday, after the TV unilateral interview in the Media Centre:

Post-Race Press Conference with the top three finishing drivers.

Notice: Photographers are kindly requested to use the platform that has been provided behind the rows for the journalists in the press conference room.

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MEDIA EVENTS

MEDIA COCKTAIL PARTY

Media Welcome Cocktail Party

1001 Baku Nights - Celebrating the New F1 Millennium in Style

Baku City Circuit cordially invites you to celebrate the Formula 1 Azerbaijan Grand Prix 2019 – F1's 1001st race – with us at the Buddha Bar, Baku on Thursday, April 25th.

The event will mark the start of our race weekend as well as the beginning of a new millennium of Formula 1 races. Come join us for an evening of cocktails, delicious food and magnificent surroundings as we usher in the dawn of a new era in our beloved sport.

When: Thursday, April 25th from 8pm to 1am

Where: Buddha Bar, Azadliq Square, JW Marriott Absheron 3rd floor, Baku 1010

Occasion: Media Welcome Cocktail/ Celebrating the 1001th race of the Formula 1 Championship

What: Cocktails, food, all night show: live music & entertainment

Please note:

- *This party is for media, F1 teams and accredited F1/FIA personnel only*
- *Restaurant management will check your credentials upon arrival in the lobby of the Buddha Bar before providing you with a wristband that guarantees access for the evening's entertainment in the Buddha Bar only. As such, please remember to bring your F1 accreditation with you when coming to the party.*

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2019 FIA F1 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

2019 FIA FORMULA ONE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP CALENDAR

15-17 Mar	ROLEX AUSTRALIAN GRAND PRIX	Melbourne
29-31 Mar	GULF AIR BAHRAIN GRAND PRIX	Sakhir
12-14 Apr	HEINEKEN CHINESE GRAND PRIX	Shanghai
26-28 Apr	AZERBAIJAN GRAND PRIX	Baku
10-12 May	EMIRATES GRAN PREMIO DE ESPAÑA	Catalunya
23-26 May	GRAND PRIX DE MONACO	Monte Carlo
07-09 Jun	PIRELLI GRAND PRIX DU CANADA	Montréal
21-23 Jun	GRAND PRIX DE FRANCE	Le Castellet
28-30 Jun	MY WORLD GROSSER PREIS VON ÖSTERREICH	Spielberg
12-14 Jul	ROLEX BRITISH GRAND PRIX	Silverstone
26-28 Jul	MERCEDES BENZ GROSSER PREIS VON DEUTSCHLAND	Hockenheim
02-04 Aug	FORMULA MAGYAR NAGYDÍJ	Budapest
30 Aug-01 Sep	JOHNNY WALKER BELGIAN GRAND PRIX	Spa
06-08 Sep	GRAN PREMIO HEINEKEN D'ITALIA	Monza
20-22 Sep	SINGAPORE AIRLINES SINGAPORE GRAND PRIX	Singapore
27-29 Sep	VTB RUSSIAN GRAND PRIX	Sochi
11-13 Oct	JAPANESE GRAND PRIX	Suzuka
25-27 Oct	GRAN PREMIO DE MEXICO	Mexico City
01- 03 Nov	UNITED STATES GRAND PRIX	Austin
15-17 Nov	HEINEKEN GRANDE PRÊMIO DO BRASIL	São Paulo
29 Nov-01 Dec	ETIHAD AIRWAYS ABU DHABI GRAND PRIX	Yas Marina

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ENTRY LIST

No.	Driver	Country	Team
44	Lewis Hamilton	Great Britain	Mercedes AMG Petronas Motorsport
77	Valtteri Bottas	Finland	Mercedes AMG Petronas Motorsport
5	Sebastian Vettel	Germany	Scuderia Ferrari Mission Winnow
16	Charles Leclerc	Monaco	Scuderia Ferrari Mission Winnow
10	Pierre Gasly	France	Aston Martin Red Bull Racing
33	Max Verstappen	Netherlands	Aston Martin Red Bull Racing
11	Sergio Perez	Mexico	SportPesa Racing Point F1 Team
18	Lance Stroll	Canada	SportPesa Racing Point F1 Team
63	George Russell	Great Britain	ROKiT Williams Racing
88	Robert Kubica	Poland	ROKiT Williams Racing
3	Daniel Ricciardo	Australia	Renault F1 Team
27	Nico Hülkenberg	Germany	Renault F1 Team
23	Alexander Albon	Thailand	Red Bull Toro Rosso Honda
26	Daniil Kvyat	Russia	Red Bull Toro Rosso Honda
8	Romain Grosjean	France	Rich Energy Haas F1 Team
20	Kevin Magnussen	Denmark	Rich Energy Haas F1 Team
4	Lando Norris	Great Britain	McLaren F1 Team
55	Carlos Sainz	Spain	McLaren F1 Team
7	Kimi Raikkonen	Finland	Alfa Romeo Racing
99	Antonio Giovinazzi	Italy	Alfa Romeo Racing

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2019 FIA FORMULA 1 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP™ – NEW RULES IN 2019

New rules for 2019 may not be the wholesale changes due for 2021 – all aimed at making F1 racing even more competitive – but they are laying the all-important groundwork. Some will be obvious – the cars will look noticeably different – but others are subtler, though no less notable. Here you will find some of the main new rules for the 2019 season:

NEW FRONT WING

What's the change: A wider, higher – and much simplified – front wing.

Why has it been made: To help chasing drivers follow the car in front more closely – and in turn increase the possibility of overtaking.

The wing's width is increased by 200mm, its height by 20mm, and it's moved forward by 25mm.

Complex endplates that outwash airflow around the front tyres are banned. Instead, much simpler endplates mean almost the full width of the wing is devoted to direct downforce generation.

The wing's added height further enhances its power and make it less sensitive to stall – so drivers are less likely to suddenly lose front-end grip when they close up on another car.

The multiple under-wing strakes seen on 2018 cars are now limited to two each side, meaning more of the airflow is fed to the underbody. This is less sensitive to aerodynamic disturbance and so creates a less choppy 'wake' for a following driver to deal with.

NEW REAR WING

What's the change: A higher, wider, simpler wing.

Why has it been made: Like the front wing, to help promote even closer racing. Height is up by 20mm, taking the 'rooster tail' wake coming off the back car higher into the air. Combined with a width increase of 100mm, the larger wing assembly creates a bigger hole in the air – to the benefit of cars trying to slipstream behind.

Furthermore, the DRS opening is increased by 20mm, boosting its potential power by around 25 percent, and a limitation has been placed upon the pressure-equalising endplate slots of 2018.

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REVISED TYRE COLOURS

What's the change: Rather than the rainbow of tyre colours used in 2018, Pirelli have cut that down to three for 2019

Why has it been made: To make understanding strategy easier for fans, the terms hypersoft, ultrasoft and supersoft have been consigned to the history books. Now each Grand Prix will feature simply a white-marked hard tyre, a yellow-marked medium, and a red-marked soft. However, the actual compounds used for those three designations will change depending on the circuit, with Pirelli having five to choose from – C1 being the hardest, C5 the softest.

BIOMETRIC GLOVES

What's the change: Drivers are required to wear biometric gloves

Why has it been made: To increase safety and help facilitate medical rescue. The gloves – developed by the FIA Safety Department – feature sensors stitched into the fabric that monitor the driver's pulse rate and the oxygen levels in his blood. They transmit that potentially life-saving data back to the at-track medical team, before, during and after a crash.

INCREASED FUEL ALLOWANCE

What's the change: Drivers may use up to 110kg of fuel – previously 105kg – in the race.

Why has it been made: To allow drivers to use the engine at full power at all times. They should no longer have to worry so much about conserving fuel – and will hence be able to push harder, especially in the closing stages of a Grand Prix.

EVEN STRONGER HELMETS

What's the change: New, stricter crash helmet requirements.

Why has it been made: To give F1 safety another leap forwards. As of 2019, all helmets must conform to the new FIA 8860-2018 standard. Over a decade in the making, this standard means an ultra-protective helmet offering a number of vital safety benefits, including advanced ballistic protection and increased energy absorption. The front of the visor has been lowered by 10mm to reduce the risks associated with impact from debris, while the helmet shell uses advanced composite materials to ensure improved resistance to crushing and

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CAR AND DRIVER WEIGHT

What's the change: Driver weight will now be considered separately to the car

Why has it been made: So that heavier drivers are no longer disadvantaged by the weight regulations. The minimum weight of the car, without fuel, has gone up slightly from 733kg to 740kg. More importantly, at least 80kg of that must be made up of the driver, his seat and driving equipment. Lighter drivers can bring themselves up to the 80kg threshold by adding ballast, but crucially this ballast must be positioned in the immediate cockpit area – and cannot be used elsewhere on the car to help improve its balance.

MISCELLANEOUS

Self-scrutineering: Cars will no longer be scrutineered in the traditional sense at the start of the Grand Prix weekend. Instead, competitors must sign a declaration that they are in compliance with the rules – and, of course, the stewards can make random checks at any time.

End-of-race signal: The traditional chequered flag is still shown as well, but the official end-of-race signal is now a chequered light panel at the finishing line.

Mirror mods: Small changes to the mirror regulations in light of the larger rear wing, in order to maintain adequate rear-view visibility and safety.

Caught on camera: The on-board camera regulations have been modified to improve the TV spectacle.

Towing the line: Overtaking on race restarts is not allowed until a driver has crossed the finishing line – rather than the earlier safety car line as previously.

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POINTS, CLASSIFICATION & RACE DISTANCE

Race Distance - Formula One races are of near identical distance, calculated in the regulations as the least number of laps required to exceed 305 kilometres. Some races invariably take longer than others due to the differing average speed of circuits.

The only exception is Monaco, where the race distance is calculated as the minimum number of laps exceeding 260 kilometres.

Points & Classification - The top ten finishers in each Grand Prix score points towards both the drivers' and the constructors' world championships, according to the following scale:

Position	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
Points	25	18	15	12	10	8	6	4	2	1

The only exceptions to this is when a race is suspended and cannot be restarted, in which case if less than 75 percent of the race distance has been completed half points are awarded, and if less than two laps have been completed, no points are awarded.

Any driver who completes over 90 percent of the race will be classified as a finisher, regardless of whether they were running as the winner took the chequered flag.

If a race is stopped before the full distance and a result is declared, the classification will reflect the race order at the end of the lap two laps prior to that on which the race was stopped (see 'Suspending and resuming a race'). For example, if a race is stopped on lap 60, the classification will be as it was at the end of lap 58.

Fastest Lap Point

In addition to the above, one point will be awarded to the driver who achieved the fastest lap of the race and to the constructor whose car he was driving, provided the lap time was achieved without incurring a penalty and he was in the top ten positions of the final race classification. No point will be awarded if the fastest lap is achieved by a driver who was classified outside the top ten positions.

The drivers' and constructors' championship titles are awarded to the driver and constructor who score the most points over the course of the season.

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Formula 1 Debut	1954	Chassis	Mercedes-AMG F1 W10 EQ Power+
Constructors' Titles	5	Power Unit	Mercedes-AMG F1 M10 EQ Power+
GP Starts	192		
GP Wins	90		
Fastest Laps	67		
Pole Positions	104	Total Points	4503



LEWIS HAMILTON
44



Date of Birth	07/01/1985
Formula 1 Debut	2007
GP Starts	233
GP Wins	75
Pole Positions	85
Podiums	137
F1 Titles	5
Total F1 Points	3086



VALTTERI BOTTAS
77



Date of Birth	28/08/1989
Formula 1 Debut	2013
GP Starts	123
GP Wins	4
Pole Positions	7
Podiums	33
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	1025

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Formula 1 Debut	1950	Chassis	SF90
Constructors' Titles	16	Power unit	Ferrari
GP Starts	975		
GP Wins	236		
Fastest Lap	248		
Pole Positions	216	Total Points	7816.5

SEBASTIAN VETTEL



5



Date of Birth	03/07/1987
Formula 1 Debut	2007
GP Starts	222
GP Wins	52
Pole Positions	55
Podiums	112
F1 Titles	4
Total F1 Points	2782

CHARLES LECLERC



16



Date of Birth	16/10/1997
Formula 1 Debut	2018
GP Starts	24
GP Wins	0
Pole Positions	1
Podiums	1
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	75

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Formula 1 Debut	2005	Chassis	RB15
Constructors' Titles	4	Motor	Honda
GP Starts	270		
GP Wins	59		
Fastest Laps	61		
Pole Positions	60	Total Points	4359.5



MAX VERSTAPPEN 33



Date of Birth	30/09/1997
Formula 1 Debut	2014
GP Starts	84
GP Wins	5
Pole Positions	N/A
Podiums	23
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	709



PIERRE GASLY 10



Date of Birth	07/02/1996
Formula 1 Debut	2017
GP Starts	29
GP Wins	N/A
Pole Positions	N/A
Podiums	N/A
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	42

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Formula 1 Debut	1977	Chassis	R.S.19
Constructors' Titles	2	Motor	Renault E-Tech 19
GP Starts	365		
GP Wins	35		
Fastest Laps	31		
Pole Positions	51	Total Points	1517



NICO HÜLKENBERG
 27



Date of Birth	19/08/1987
Formula 1 Debut	2010
GP Starts	159
GP Wins	N/A
Pole Positions	1
Podiums	N/A
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	480



DANIEL RICCIARDO
 03



Date of Birth	01/07/1989
Formula 1 Debut	2011
GP Starts	153
GP Wins	7
Pole Positions	3
Podiums	29
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	992

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Formula 1 Debut	2016	Chassis	Haas VF-19
Constructors' Titles	N/A	Motor	Ferrari 064
GP Starts	65		
GP Wins	N/A		
Fastest Laps	1		
Pole Positions	N/A	Total Points	177

ROMAIN GROSJEAN



08



Date of Birth	17/04/1986
Formula 1 Debut	2009
GP Starts	148
GP Wins	N/A
Pole Positions	N/A
Podiums	10
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	381

KEVIN MAGNUSSEN



20



Date of Birth	05/10/1992
Formula 1 Debut	2014
GP Starts	85
GP Wins	N/A
Pole Positions	N/A
Podiums	1
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	145

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Formula 1 Debut	2018	Chassis	RP19
Constructors' Titles	N/A	Motor	BWT Mercedes
GP Starts	12		
GP Wins	N/A		
Fastest Laps	N/A		
Pole Positions	N/A	Total Points	58



SERGIO PEREZ
11



Date of Birth	26/01/1990
Formula 1 Debut	2011
GP Starts	160
GP Wins	N/A
Pole Positions	N/A
Podiums	8
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	534



Lance Stroll
18



Date of Birth	29/10/1998
Formula 1 Debut	2017
GP Starts	44
GP Wins	N/A
Pole Positions	N/A
Podiums	1
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	48

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Formula 1 Debut	1978	Chassis	Williams FW42
Constructors' Titles	9	Power Unit	Mercedes M10 EQ Power+
GP Starts	701		
GP Wins	114		
Fastest Laps	133		
Pole Positions	129	Total Points	3559

ROBERT KUBICA 88



GEORGE RUSSELL



63



Date of Birth	07/12/1984
Formula 1 Debut	2006
GP Starts	79
GP Wins	1
Pole Positions	1
Podiums	12
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	273

Date of Birth	15/02/1998
Formula 1 Debut	2019
GP Starts	3
GP Wins	N/A
Pole Positions	N/A
Podiums	N/A
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	0

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Formula 1 Debut	2006	Chassis	STR14
Constructors' Titles		Motor	Honda
GP Starts	250		
GP Wins	1		
Fastest Laps	1		
Pole Positions	1	Total Points	419



DANIIL KVYAT
26



Date of Birth	26/04/1994
Formula 1 Debut	2014
GP Starts	77
GP Wins	N/A
Pole Positions	N/A
Podiums	2
F1 Titles	0
Total F1 Points	134



ALEXANDER ALBON
23



Date of Birth	23/03/1996
Formula 1 Debut	2019
GP Starts	3
GP Wins	N/A
Pole Positions	N/A
Podiums	N/A
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	3

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Formula 1 Debut	1993	Chassis	C38
Constructors' Titles		Motor	Ferrari
GP Starts	469		
GP Wins	1		
Fastest Laps	5		
Pole Positions	1	Total Points	829



KIMI RÄIKKÖNEN 07



Date of Birth	17/10/1979
Formula 1 Debut	2001
GP Starts	297
GP Wins	21
Pole Positions	18
Podiums	103
F1 Titles	1
Total F1 Points	1828



ANTONIO GIOVINAZZI 99



Date of Birth	14/12/1993
Formula 1 Debut	2017
GP Starts	5
GP Wins	N/A
Pole Positions	N/A
Podiums	N/A
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	0

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Formula 1 Debut 1966
Constructors' Titles 8
GP Starts 849
GP Wins 182
Fastest Laps 155
Pole Positions 155

Chassis MCL34
Motor Renault E-Tech 19

Total Points 5216.5



CARLOS SAINZ
55



Date of Birth 01/09/1994
Formula 1 Debut 2015
GP Starts 84
GP Wins N/A
Pole Positions N/A
Podiums N/A
F1 Titles N/A
Total F1 Points 171



LANDO NORRIS
04



Date of Birth 13/11/1999
Formula 1 Debut 2019
GP Starts 3
GP Wins N/A
Pole Positions N/A
Podiums N/A
F1 Titles N/A
Total F1 Points 8

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Formula 2 is widely accepted to be the chief feeder series to Formula 1, with many of its graduates moving on to the top flight after honing their skills at this level.

After the 2019 seasons opening of Formula 2 in Bahrain, Baku City Circuit is proud to stage the second round of the season.

The new campaign is set to feature 12 rounds in all, with each meeting running in conjunction with a Formula 1 Grand Prix.

Formula 2 is a one-make championship. The chassis are designed by Dallara Automobili, and from 2018 have run the new F2 2018 chassis. The power base is a Mecachrome-assembled 3.4L turbocharged V6.

There are 20 cars representing 10 teams on the grid.

Last year's champion was Britain's George Russell. He has since joined Formula 1 Team ROKiT Williams Racing.

SAFETY & VALUES

The FIA Formula 2 Championship was designed to reflect five core values: performance, cost control, entertainment, safety and preparation. The sporting and technical regulations are our blueprint, and are only changed if the proposed modifications fit into the template formed by these values, which will remain the guiding principles of the championship.

PERFORMANCE - F2 lap times are competitive with the final few rows on the F1 grid, and is the only junior formula which can match the performance levels of the top-tier championship. Our turbocharged engines produce 620bhp which, with ground effects and proper slick tyres, make the F2 cars powerful and tricky beasts to handle.

COST CONTROL - Operating at about 2% of the cost of running a Formula One team, F2 teams race on the same tracks on the same weekends, for the same audience and offers thrilling racing for the crowd and the F1 paddock to enjoy. With centralised purchasing, strict limits on testing and an outright ban on individual developments costs are kept in check. Any modifications made are produced with an eye on how they will affect the price structure for the teams.

ENTERTAINMENT - By far F2's biggest selling point is the sheer excitement that the races provide for the fans. With two races per weekend, reverse grids, compulsory pitstops, Prime and Option tyres and 20 identical cars on display, the championship will never fail to enthrall and entertain.

SAFETY - Racing at speeds very close to F1, safety is of course the highest priority. The F2 2018 car has passed every one of the stringent F1 FIA crash tests, and includes the Halo head protection system and anti-intrusion panels, while wearing the HANS device is also compulsory. The championship puts its commitment to safety ahead of all other considerations.

PREPARATIONS - F2's history speaks for itself: the FIA has run the F1 championship since its inception, and there has never been an F1 feeder category as successful as the GP2 Series, which has since become F2. In 2019, half of the F1 grid is made up of graduates, including six Champions, with 2006 victor Lewis Hamilton going on to become the Formula One World Champion for the fifth time. There can be no finer testimonial to the benefit of the training the series provides to young drivers than that.

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FIA FORMULA 2 CHAMPIONSHIP

THE CAR AND ENGINE DIMENSIONS

- Overall length : 5224mm
- Overall width : 1900mm
- Overall Height : 1097mm (including FOM roll hoop camera)
- Wheelbase : 3135mm
- Overall weight : 755 kg (driver on-board)

ENGINE

- V6- 3.4 litre single turbo charged Mecachrome engine
- Rated to 620 HP @ 8750 rpm
- Fly-by-wire accelerator system
- Rebuilt after 8000km
- Maximum Torque 570Nm @6000rpm

PERFORMANCE

- Acceleration : 0- 100km/h, 2.90sec
- : 0- 200km/h, 6.60sec
- Max. speed : 335km/h (Monza aero configuration + DRS)
- Max. braking deceleration : -3.5G
- Max. lateral acceleration : +/- 3.9G

SAFETY STANDARDS

- Full FIA F12018 safety standards
- Halo F1 specifications

MONOCOQUE & BODYWORK

- Survival cell- Sandwich Carbon/aluminium honeycomb structure/Zylon anti-intrusion panels made by Dallara
- Front & rear wing- Carbon structures made by Dallara
- Bodywork- Carbon- Kevlar honeycomb structures made by Dallara

DRS

- Same functionality of DRS used in Formula 1
- Hydraulic activation

GEARBOX

- 6-speed longitudinal Hewland sequential gearbox
- Electro-hydraulic command via paddle shift from steering wheel
- ZF SACHS Carbon clutch
- No on-board starter
- Non-hydraulic ramp differential

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FUEL CELL

- FIA Standard, Premier FT 125 litres

ELECTRONIC FEATURES

- Magneti Marelli Marvel SRG 480 ECU/GCU including data logging system
- Magneti Marelli PDU 12-42 power supply management unit
- CAN data acquisition pre-equipment
- Beacon receiver
- F1 type VSC system

SUSPENSION

- Double steel wishbones, pushrod operated, twin dampers and torsion bars suspension (F) and spring suspension (R)
- Adjustable ride height, camber and toe
- Two way (F) / Four way (R) adjustable Koni dampers
- Adjustable anti-roll bar (Front/Rear)

BRAKES

- 6 pistons monobloc Brembo calipers
- Carbone Industrie carbon-carbon brake discs and pads

WHEELS & TYRES

- F1 2016 standard wheel dimensions
 - O.Z. Racing
 - Magnesium rims
- 13" x 12" front & 13" x 13.7" rear
- F2 specific Pirelli slick / wet tyres

STEERING SYSTEM

- Non-assisted rack and pinion steering system
- XAP steering wheel with dashboard, gear change and clutch paddles, marshalling & VSC display

CAMERA EQUIPMENT

- Roll hoop, nose cone and face shot camera pre-equipment.

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CALENDAR

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26 – 28 April	Baku	Azerbaijan
10 – 12 May	Barcelona	Spain
23 – 25 May	Monte Carlo	Monaco
21 – 23 June	Le Castellet	France
28 – 30 June	Spielberg	Austria
12 – 14 July	Silverstone	Great Britain
02 – 04 August	Budapest	Hungary
30 Aug – 01 Sep	SPA-Francorchamps	Belgium
06 – 08 Sept	Monza	Italy
27 – 29 Sept	Sochi	Russia
29 Nov – 01 Dec	Yas Marina	Abu Dhabi

WEEKEND FORMAT & POINTS ALLOCATION

A race weekend is composed of one forty-five minutes practice session and one-half hour qualifying session, followed by two races.

The Qualifying session lasts thirty minutes, and is a straight fight for fastest lap time to determine the order of the grid for the feature race (Monaco differs, and the field is split into two 16-minute heats. The fastest driver across the two heats takes pole, while second is awarded to the fastest driver in the other group, and continues in this manner). Four points are awarded for pole position.

Race 1 is run over 170km or 60 minutes (except for Monaco where the race is run over 140km and in Budapest and Sochi where the race is run over 160km), and each driver must complete one compulsory pit stop and must use at least one set of each specification of dry-weather tyres.

The **top ten drivers** score points (25, 18, 15, 12, 10, 8, 6, 4, 2, 1) with two points being awarded to the driver who set the fastest lap of the race.

The grid for **Race 2** - the sprint race - is determined by the finishing order of the first race, with the top 8 positions reversed. Race 2 is run over 120km or 45 minutes (except for Monaco where the race is run over 100km) with no mandatory pitstops.

The **top eight finishers** score points (15, 12, 10, 8, 6, 4, 2, 1) and the driver who sets the fastest lap scores two points.

Any driver who is not classified in the top ten positions at the end of the race or, didn't start the race from his normal grid position will not be eligible for points awarded for fastest lap.

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1	Luis Deletraz	SUI	Carlin
2	Nobuharu Matsushita	JAP	Carlin
3	Nikita Mazepin	RUS	ART Grand Prix
4	Nyck de Vries	NLD	ART Grand Prix
5	Sergio Sette Camara	BRZ	DAMS
6	Nicholas Latifi	CAN	DAMS
7	Guan Zhou	CHI	UNI-Virtuosi Racing
8	Luca Ghiotto	ITA	UNI-Virtuosi Racing
9	Mick Schumacher	GER	PREMA Racing
10	Sean Gelael	IND	PREMA Racing
11	Callum Ilott	GBR	Sauber Junior Team by Charouz
12	Juan Manuel Correa	ECD	Sauber Junior Team by Charouz
14	Dorian Boccolacci	FRA	Campos Racing
15	Jack Aitken	GBR/KOR	Campos Racing
16	Jordan King	GBR	MP Motorsport
17	Mahaveer Raghunathan	NLD	MP Motorsport
18	Tatiana Calderon	ESP	BWT Arden
19	Anthoine Hubert	FRA	BWT Arden
20	Giuliano Alesi	FRA	Trident
21	Ralph Boschung	SUI	Trident

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