

# LE MANS 24 HOURS









TUESDAY,	<i>JUNE 10</i>	
2:00pm > 3:00pm	Pit-walk and autograph session	
2:00pm > 6:00pm	Pits visit	
3:15pm > 4:30pm	Pit-Stop Challenge	

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11

2:00pm > 5:00pm	Free Practice 1
7:30pm > 8:00pm	Qualifying
10:00pm > minuit	Free Practice 2

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 12

14:45pm > 17:45pm	Free Practice 3
21:05pm > 21:25pm	Hyperpole 1
21:40pm > 21:55pm	Hyperpole 2
23:00pm > 00:00	Free Practice 4

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 13

3:00pm	Track open
> 8:00pm	to public
5:00pm > 7:00pm	Drivers' Parade

#### SATURDAY, **JUNE 14**

12:00 noon > 12:15pm	Warm	up	
1:50pm > 3:00pm	Grid W	alk	
4:00pm	Start	FE	
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# **THE 2025** LE MANS 24 HOURS

#### ROUND 4 / 93<sup>rd</sup> RUNNING

2025 FIA WORLD ENDURANCE CHAMPIONSHIP (FIA WEC)



**New Hyperpole qualifying format:** the 15 best-placed Hypercars after Qualifying take part in the Hyperpole 1 session (20 minutes). The top-10 go forward to the Hyperpole 2 shootout (15 minutes).

Victory for Michelin would make it the joint-most successful tire manufacturer at Le Mans (34 wins).

All of the 21 Hypercar prototypes representing eight different makes racing at Le Mans this year are fitted with Michelin tires.

Aston Martin is back racing a prototype at Le Mans for the first time since 2011.

Michelin is the tire supplier to the Ligier European Series, Mustang Challenge, Porsche Sprint Challenge and Road to Le Mans support races.

Yannick Dalmas, winner of the 1995 Le Mans 24 Hours with McLaren/Michelin, is the Grand Marshal of this year's race.

Tennis superstar Roger Federer will wave the flag to mark the start of the race's 93<sup>rd</sup> running.





- The longest and fastest circuit visited by the 2025 FIA WEC. The Hypercars reach practically 350kph
  - 50 percent of the circuit is open to ordinary traffic the rest of the year
  - The surfaces of the track's permanent and non-permanent sections are different

# MICHELIN PILOT SPORT TIRE DATA AT LE MANS

Braking for Mulsanne 2, the Hypercars slow from 320 to 95kph in just 250 meters and four seconds. Their MICHELIN Pilot Sport tires are submitted to a deceleration force of 3G as they slow the cars which 'weigh' three tonnes.

The Porsche Curves (3) make the biggest demands of tires of the entire circuit. Each MICHELIN Pilot Sport is submitted to a lateral force of 4G at 250kph. That's 10 times the force felt when driving around a roundabout at 50kph!

The cars' MICHELIN Pilot Sport Endurance slicks reach a temperature of 120°C through the Porsche Curves **3**.

Braking for Indianapolis, the Hypercars' MICHELIN Pilot Sport Endurance tires are submitted to a vertical load of 1,400kg due to the bumpy surface and aerodynamic downforce.

The Hypercars take the Michelin Chicane at 110kph. It is

one of the slowest parts of the circuit as the drivers turn their steering wheel 90° to the left, then 90° to the right.

At the end of the start/finish straight, the Hypercars 'weigh' 2.4 times their mass due to aerodynamic downforce.

The Hypercars sit on a contact patch that is no bigger than two sheets of A4 paper!

When the prototypes are at their fastest (around 340kph down the Mulsanne Straight 7), their MICHELIN Pilot Sport Endurance tires become oval due to centrifugal force which can increase their diameter by as much as 1.4cm. The phenomenon is countered by the aerodynamic downforce exerted on the car.

During a single lap of Le Mans (13.626km), each MICHELIN Pilot Sport Endurance rotates 6,500 times.





# THE 2024 RACE



FUOCO/MOLINA/NIELSEN (Ferrari 499P 🕅), 311 laps (4,237.07km) at an average speed of 176.3kph

#### POLE-POSITION

KEVIN ESTRE (Porsche 963 🔄), 🕐 3m24.634s (239.7kph)

#### FASTEST RACE LAP

KAMUI KOBAYASHI (Toyota GR010 Hybrid 😨) 🔅 3m28.756s (235kph)

TOP SPEED RACE LAP

FELIPE NASR (Porsche 963 🐑), KAMUI KOBAYASHI (Toyota GR010 Hybrid 🔄) SÉBASTIEN BUEMI (Toyota GR010 Hybrid 🐑) 🖑 344.5kph



- · Ferrari's second straight Le Mans win with Michelin
- The #50 Ferrari was practically out of fuel as it took the checkered flag
- Cadillac, Porsche, Toyota and Ferrari all led at one point
- Race marked by unsettled weather. The Safety Car spent seven hours on the track
- Michelin's partners raced the medium and soft Pilot Sport slicks, as well as the Pilot Sport Wet
- The MICHELIN Pilot Sport successfully tripled stinted
- The 92<sup>nd</sup> running of the Le Mans 24 Hours was attended by 329,000 spectators

### **ENDURANCE RACING:** AN INNOVATION ACCELERATOR FOR **MICHELIN**

Michelin sees motorsport in general, and the FIA World Endurance Championship (FIA WEC) particular, as a means to accelerate innovation. The proportion of renewable/recycled raw materials that go into the MICHELIN Pilot Sport enduranceracing rain tire stands at 45 percent.

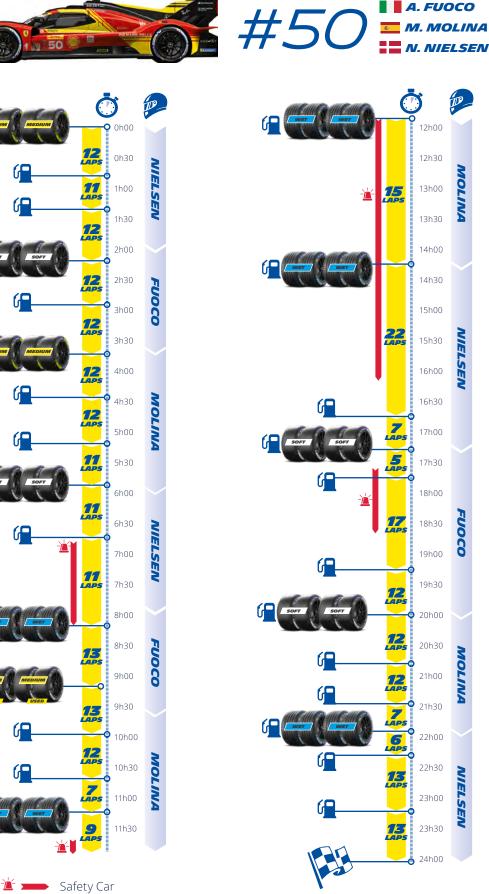
In 2021, Michelin presented a demonstration tire

containing 46 percent recycled/renewable raw materials for the MissionH24 hydrogen fuel-cell racing prototype. The rain tires used by today's Hypercar prototypes incorporate 45 percent renewable and recycled raw materials.

Motorsport is one of the driving forces behind Groupe Michelin's Everything Sustainable plan for 2050.







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The 2025 Le Mans 24 Hours is likely to be very close in the Hypercar class, with no fewer than eight highly-experienced manufacturers capable of finishing on the podium. To prepare for the race as meticulously as possible, and

to make sure that all our partners are able to benefit fully from the potential of their MICHELIN Pilot Sport Slicks and Wets, we have worked hard with every one of them, both on the simulator and at various circuits. Last month's 6 Hours of Spa-Francorchamps pointed to how exciting this year's Le Mans promises to be, with tire strategy set to play a decisive and intriguing role. Michelin has supplied the tires for the Hypercar prototypes ever since the category's introduction in 2021, providing a bespoke choice of solutions developed essentially using simulator technology. That

TIRE STRATEGY SET TO PLAY A DECISIVE AND INTRIGUING

ROLE

said, this will be the current Pilot Sport Endurance range's last visit to La Sarthe, since Michelin Motorsport's engineers have been busy developing a completely new line-up for 2026, again focusing on the use of simulator technology. Also, in addition to their upgraded

performance, these products will contain a high proportion of renewable or recycled raw materials. Back in 2021, remember, we revealed a demonstration tire that contained 46 percent sustainable materials. Four years on, we are working on soft, medium and hard slicks that contain 50 percent such raw materials for the IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar and FIA World Endurance Championships. So when we say that Michelin sees endurance racing and Le Mans as formidable technological laboratories, we really mean it.



### **MICHELIN'S FIA WEC RECORD**

WITH 6 DIFFERENT MANUFACTURERS including Toyota (48 wins), Porsche (20) and Audi (17). WITH 51 DIFFERENT DRIVERS including S. Buemi (26), B. Hartley (23) and M. Conway (18) 12 MANUFACTURERS' WORLD TITLES



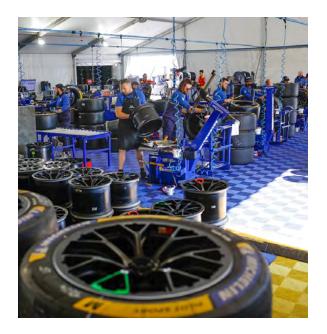


# CUSTOMER RACING MICHELIN PILOT SPORTS

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In addition to the 21 Hypercars contesting the 2025 Le Mans 24 Hours on Michelin rubber, Michelin is also the exclusive supplier to the 58 participants (40 LMP3 prototypes + 18 GT3 cars) contesting the Road to Le Mans, as well as to the 26 contestants in the Ligier European Series. These cars are fitted with S9M/S8M and P2L tires from Michelin's Customer Racing range.



# MICHELIN PILOT SPORT

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Around **200 different 'ingredients'** go into the 20 semi-finished assemblies that make up each MICHELIN Pilot Sport.

MICHELIN Pilot Sport tires are made by hand. The process takes around **30 minutes**, plus a further **20 minutes for them to be cured at 180°C.** 

The running temperature of a MICHELIN Pilot Sport slick can reach as high as **130°C.** 

A MICHELIN Pilot Sport can withstand a mass of **100 times** its own weight, equivalent to that of a family hatchback like the Renault Clio.

At 200kph, MICHELIN Pilot Sport rain tires can clear up to **120 liters of water every second.** That equates to 28,000 liters per lap of Le Mans, or a million liters over the course of three stints.

The MICHELIN Pilot Sport tires that race at Le Mans were developed entirely virtually in just **10 months.** 







Mobil II





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Soft compound Dry or slightly damp conditions Low temperatures

Medium compound

Dry conditions The most versatile option

Hard compound

Dry conditions

temperatures

**Big constraints** 

High track

# SLICKS ALLOCATION

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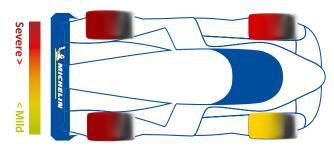
FREE PRACTICE	
+ QUALIFYING	24 TIRES
HYPERPOLE	12 TIRES
RACE	56 TIRES

SIZES: FRONT: 29/71-18 • REAR: 34/71-18 Width (cm) / Exterior Diameter (cm) – Interior Diameter (inches)

#### TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS



#### TIRE SEVERITY RATING





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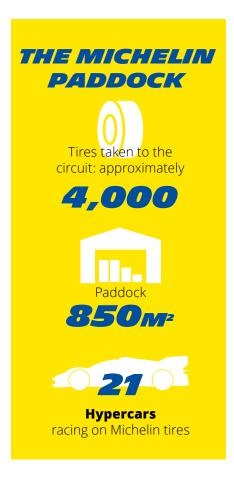
Tire warming systems may not be used

A single type of rain tire

# MICHELIN'S LE MANS LOGISTICS

Approximately 4,000 MICHELIN Pilot Sports are available for the 21 Michelin-equipped cars entered for this year's Test Day and Le Mans 24 Hours race. The Monday after the Test Day, the tires that are used during the session (around 400) are returned to Clermont-Ferrand. They are replaced by the same number which arrive at Le Mans on the Friday morning of race-week. This plan optimizes logistical costs and reduces Michelin's environmental impact.





# MICHELIN MOTORSPORT'S STAFF AT LE MANS



#### Fitters

Fitters comprise the bulk of Michelin Motorsport's personnel at Le Mans where they fit, balance and remove tires on one of the workshop's three lines. In the course of Le Mans week, they fit about 3,200 Michelin tires. Order forms from partner teams are received via a bespoke application overseen by the technical team advisors. The 44 fitters work in shifts during the race.

#### Technicians

The role of Michelin Motorsport's Technical Team Advisors delegated to work with its partner teams includes advising on tire usage and management of the teams' tire quotas. It also covers attending technical briefings with the teams' own engineers and drivers to assist with tire choices and tire-pressure recommendations. Their input can be decisive.

#### Developers

The development experts behind Michelin's Hypercar range attend the race to monitor tire performance, make sure that Michelin's usage recommendations are adhered to as a function of the cars' set-ups and respond swiftly in case of any issues. They contribute to the job of inspecting the tires that come off the cars after the early stints in order to see how the different plies performed in order to possibly authorize triple or even quadruple stints.

#### **Performance analysts**

These engineers permanently monitor tire and car performance using the data and graphs provided by Michelin's partner teams. They check that the real-time data corresponds with the forecasts obtained during simulation work upstream of the race.

#### **Tire analysts**

Tire analysts section the tires that come off the cars to check that the different plies (crown, casing, sidewalls) and materials performed correctly. As a function of their findings, the developers decide whether the number of stints cars can cover on the same tires can be increased, and provide the teams' engineers and technicians with usage and set-up recommendations.





HYPERCAR MICHELIN PARTNERS

21 HYPERCAR PROTOTYPES REPRESENTING 8 MANUFACTURERS

ASTON MARTIN TH		#007	<u>se</u>	₩ H. TINCKNELL ₩ T. GAMBLE
Power unit: 6.5-liter normally-aspirated V12	Front-wheel drive propulsion Seven-speed Xtrac sequential	#009	<u>L</u>	A. RIBERAS
Power: 500kW	gearbox	#009		M. SORENSEN
PORSCHE PENSKE	MOTORSPORT			S F. NASR
PORSCHE 963 (LMDH)	And Constant of the second sec	#4		N.TANDY P. WEHRLEIN
Power unit: 4.6-liter V8 bi-turbo + Bosch MGU (rear wheels)	Two -wheel drive Seven-speed Xtrac	#5	<u>لي و</u>	J. ANDLAUER M. CHRISTENSEN M. JAMINET
Power: 500kW + 50kW	sequential gearbox	#6	<u>ve</u>	K. ESTRE L. VANTHOOR M. CAMPBELL
OYOTA GAZOO RA	CING			
COYOTA GR010 HYBRID	SU / HERE AND ALL AND	#7		<ul> <li>₩ M. CONWAY</li> <li>K. KOBAYASHI</li> <li>N. DE VRIES</li> </ul>
Power unit: 3.5-liter V6 bi-turbo + Toyota Hybrid System (front wheels) Power: 500kW + 200kW	Four-wheel drive propulsion Seven-speed Xtrac sequential gearbox	#8		<ul> <li>► S. BUEMI</li> <li>■ B. HARTLEY</li> <li>■ R. HIRAKAWA</li> </ul>
BMW M TEAM WR	<b>7</b>			
BMW M HYBRID V8 (LMDH)		#15		<ul> <li>D. VANTHOOR</li> <li>R. MARCIELLO</li> <li>K. MAGNUSSEN</li> </ul>
Power unit: 4-liter V8 bi-turbo + Bosch MGU (rear wheels) Power: 477kW + 50kW	Two -wheel drive Seven-speed Xtrac sequential gearbox	#20	<u>e</u>	╞ S. VAN DER LINDE R. FRIJNS R. RAST
ALPINE ENDURAN		#35	<u>se</u>	P-L. CHATIN C. MILESI F. HABSBURG
Power unit: 3.4-liter V6 turbo + Bosch MGU (rear wheels) Power: 500kW + 50kW	Two -wheel drive Seven-speed Xtrac sequential gearbox	#36	<b>V</b>	J. GOUNON F. MAKOWIECKI M. SCHUMACHER

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# HYPERCAR STANDINGS

FIA WORLD ENDURANCE HYPERCAR CHAMPIONSHIP

M	ANUFACTURERS		<b>R1</b> 28/02	<b>R2</b> 20/04	<b>R</b> 3 10/05	<b>R4</b> 14-15/06	<b>R5</b> <b>()</b> 13/07	<b>R6</b> 7/09	<b>R7</b> • 28/09	<b>R8</b> 8/11	TOTAL
1 <sup>st</sup>	FERRARI	<u> </u>	66	26	43						136
2 <sup>nd</sup>	ΤΟΥΟΤΑ	<b>1</b>	33	20	18						71
3 <sup>rd</sup>	BMW	<u></u>	35	28	1						64

DR	IVERS		<b>R1</b> 28/02	<b>R2</b> 20/04	<b>R3</b> 10/05	<b>R4</b> 14-15/06	<b>R5</b> <b>©</b> 13/07	<b>R6</b> 7/09	<b>R7</b> • 28/09	<b>R8</b> 8/11	TOTAL
1 <sup>st</sup>	ALESSANDRO PIER GUIDI	<u></u>	24	26	25						75
1 <sup>st</sup>	ANTONIO GIOVINAZZI	<u>\</u> _2	24	26	25						75
1 <sup>st</sup>	JAMES CALADO	<u>v</u>	24	26	25						75
2 <sup>nd</sup>	ANTONIO FUOCO	<u>\</u>	38	0	19						57
2 <sup>nd</sup>	MIGUEL MOLINA	<u>1</u>	38	0	19						57
2 <sup>nd</sup>	NICKLAS NIELSEN	<u>, e</u>	38	0	19						57
3 <sup>rd</sup>	PHILIP HANSON	4	27	12	0						39
3 <sup>rd</sup>	ROBERT KUBICA	<u> </u>	27	12	0						39
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# A NEW MICHELIN PILOT SPORT ENDURANCE RANGE FOR 2026

#### PERFORMANCE, LONGEVITY AND RESPECT FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

Michelin has chosen the Le Mans 24 Hours to present its latest MICHELIN Pilot Sport Endurance range for 2026 and beyond.

These new tires contain 50 percent renewable or recycled raw materials, a proportion that confirms Michelin's role as a pioneer in terms of contributing to the ecological transition through motorsport. It also places the notion of responsible performance at the center of a bold strategy that seeks to reconcile sporting excellence with environmental imperatives, while fostering the carry-over of technology from racing to road tires.

The new MICHELIN Pilot Sport Endurance range was designed using simulation technology and mathematical modeling of the tires' finite elements to reproduce the extreme mechanical and thermal constraints at play in the FIA World Endurance Championship and IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship. Michelin's sophisticated simulation software is effectively able to analyze the dynamic and thermal properties of all these ingredients in the complex context of Hypercar endurance racing.

This groundwork was followed by virtual testing on a high-performance race simulator with a professional driver 'at the wheel'.

On completion of the process's simulation work, the first prototypes were produced and submitted to a series of dynamic bench-tests – the last link between the virtual phase and actual track-testing which will always be the true litmus test.

The new MICHELIN Pilot Sport Endurance range was conceived to deliver three main objectives, namely optimized warm-up performance, dependable grip and consistent performance over multiple stints.

The high environmental added-value built into these tires reasserts Michelin's role as a world leader in the industry when it comes to responsible innovation. The program also underscores the strategic role Michelin Motorsport plays not only as a laboratory for excellence, but also as a catalyzing force in favor of the ecological transition.

#### NEXT STEPS...

- June 2025: final track test at Watkins Glen (New York, USA)
- August 2025: production begins
- **2026:** competitive debut in the FIA World Endurance Championship and IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship

# #WeRaceForChange







# MICHELIN AND LE MANS LANDMARK DATES



#### 1923: MICHELIN WINS INAUGURAL LE MANS

Michelin won the very first edition of the Le Mans 24 Hours with André Lagache and René Leonard driving a Chenard & Walcker. They completed the race at an average speed of more than 92kph around the original 17-kilometer circuit.

#### 1951: MICHELIN RETURNS TO LE MANS

Michelin returned to Le Mans with radial tires for a Lancia Aurelia B20GT. In addition to topping its class, the car came 12<sup>th</sup> overall after completing 3,000km on the same set of tires

#### **1967: SLICKS**

Michelin innovated with the introduction of the first radial slicks to contest the Le Mans 24 Hours, fitted to an Alpine-Renault A210.

#### 1978: AN ALL-FRENCH VICTORY

Victory for Didier Pironi and Jean-Pierre Jaussaud in a Renault-Alpine A442B on Michelin tires.

#### 1989: A MICHELIN ONE-TWO

A one-two finish for Michelin with the Sauber-Mercedes of Mass/Reuter/Dickens and Baldi/ Acheson/Brancatelli.

1993: Michelin locks out the podium Peugeot and Michelin monopolized the podium with the 905 (winners: Brabham/ Bouchut/Hélary).

#### **1999: MICHELIN TOP-FOUR**

Michelin dominated the race to earn a onetwo-three-four finish in association with BMW, Toyota and two Audis. It also secured top spot in the GTS class with Chrysler.

#### 2000: FIRST WIN

#### FOR AUDI-MICHELIN

Michelin and its partner Audi scored a onetwo-three finish in La Sarthe, with the win going to Kristensen/Biela/Pirro.

#### 2003: BENTLEY-MICHELIN, 79 YEARS LATER

Two years after returning to endurance racing, Bentley claimed a one-two finish and its fifth overall win, 79 years after the last. Michelin topped every class.

#### 2006: THE FIRST DIESEL WIN AT LE MANS

Audi achieved success with diesel technology at Le Mans on Michelin tires developed specifically to deal with the high forces generated by the R10 TDi prototypes.



#### 2007: TEN IN A ROW FOR MICHELIN

Michelin took victory for the tenth consecutive year at Le Mans. It was the French manufacturer's 16th win at the legendary race.

#### 2009: PEUGEOT-MICHELIN: 16 YEARS LATER

Peugeot and Michelin secured a one-two finish at Le Mans, 16 years after their last success together in 1993. Michelin again won all four classes and locked out the top 15 positions in the overall standings.

#### 2010: ONE-TWO-THREE FOR AUDI-MICHELIN

The three works Audi R15 TDis locked out the podium to notch up a ninth Le Mans victory for the Audi-Michelin partnership. The N°9 Audi set a new distance record after covering 5,410.71km on just 11 sets of tires!

# 2011: 20TH MICHELIN VICTORY AT LE MANS

Michelin celebrated its 20th victory (its 14th in a row) at Le Mans and shared a tenth success with its partner Audi. The winning N°9 Audi completed five consecutive stints on the same Michelin tires.

## 2012: FIRST LE MANS SUCCESS

FOR HYBRID POWER Michelin secured its 15th straight win at Le Mans with the Audi R18 e-tron quattro. The Michelin-equipped car went down in history as the first hybrid prototype (diesel/ electricity) to win the French race. First Le Mans appearance for the Michelin Hybrid, a slick intermediate tire.

## 2015: PORSCHE-MICHELIN

**BACK ON TOP** Seventeen years after their last victory together at the Circuit de la Sarthe, Porsche and Michelin won the 2015 race with the Hybrid 919 of Le Mans novices Nico Hülkenberg, Earl Bamber and Nick Tandy. It was Michelin's 24th victory at the famous French race.

#### 2016: A MEMORABLE START AND FINISH!

For the first time, the Le Mans 24 Hours started behind a Safety Car following a heavy shower moments before the start. While leading, the #5 Toyota suffered a cruel mechanical problem during the race's penultimate lap, handing victory to the Porsche 919 Hybrid/Michelin of Marc Lieb, Neel Jani and Romain Dumas.

#### 2017: PORSCHE/MICHELIN WINS BUT TWO LMP2 CARS ON THE PODIUM

Once again, Toyota came close to winning the Le Mans 24 Hours but glory escaped it yet again. Victory ended up in Porsche's hands for the third year running, while second and third places went to LMP2 prototypes.

# 2018: TOYOTA/MICHELIN'S FIRST LE MANS SUCCESS

Toyota celebrated its 20th attempt at the Le Mans 24 Hours with a one-two finish for the TS050 Hybrid/Michelin. First Le Mans win for F1 star Fernando Alonso.

#### 2019: A MICHELIN GRAND SLAM

Michelin won all four classes (LMP1, LMP2, LMGTE Pro, LMGTE Am) for the first time since 2010.

#### 2020: NO SPECTATORS

Toyota and Michelin made it three wins in a row in front of empty grandstands due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Another grand-slam performance for Michelin whose partners topped all for classes.

#### 2021: MICHELIN'S 24TH STRAIGHT WI

Michelin extended its unbeaten run at Le Mans to 24 victories since 1998. Its brand new tires for the Hypercar entries helped Toyota and its GR010 Hybrid claim the first race of Le Mans' Hypercar era.

#### 2022: 5 IN-A-ROW FOR TOYOTA WITH MICHELIN

Toyota/Michelin claimed its fifth straight Le Mans victory. Porsche and Michelin won the last LMGTE Pro race at the Le Mans 24 Hours, establishing a new distance-record (4,769km) in the process.

# 2023: FERRARI'S WINNING RETURN, WITH MICHELIN

Making its return to Le Mans 50 years after its last win, Ferrari won the race's centenary edition with its 499P Hypercar on Michelin tires. Michelin also celebrated the final appearance of LMGTE cars by claiming the LMGTE Am victory with Corvette.









# MICHELIN **RECORDS AT** LE MANS

### 27

The highest number of consecutive wins (since 1998)

#### 251.88KPH

Fastest ever average speed over one lap (with Toyota, in 2017)

### 5,410,713KM

Distance record over 24 hours (with Audi, in 2010)

#### 225.22KPH

Fastest average speed over 24 hours (with Audi, in 2010)

54

The highest number of cars to contest Le Mans on Michelin rubber (91% of the entry, in 2020)

2

The highest number of Le Mans wins by the same driver (Tom Kristensen, 2000>2013)

5 The most wins by the same car (Audi R8)

#### 15

The highest number of overall places at the finish monopolized by cars equipped by the same tire manufacture (2009)



The highest number of pole positions (since 1963)

# MICHELIN'S LE MANS RECORD



of 27 wins since 1998)

2024 Fuoco/Molina/Nielsen Ferrari 499P

Ferrari 499P

2022

2021

2020

2019

2018

2017

2016

2015

2014

2013

2012

2011

2010

2009

2025 Pier Guidi/Calado/Giovinaz

Toyota GR010 Hybrid

Toyota GR010 HYBRID Nakajima/Buemi/Hartley

Toyota TS050 Hybrid

Toyota TS050 Hybrid

Toyota TS050 Hybrid

Porsche 919 Hybrid

Jani/Lieb/Dumas

Porsche 919 Hybrid

Porsche 919 Hybrid

Nakajima/Buemi/Alonso

Buemi/Nakajima/Alonso

**Bernhard/Hartley/Bamber** 

Hulkenberg/Bamber/Tandy

Tréluyer/Fassler/Lotterer

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Dumas/Bernhard/Rockenfelle

Audi R18 e-tron quattro Kristensen/McNish/Duval

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Brabham/Gené/Wurz

Peugeot 908 HDi FAP

Audi R18 TDi

Audi R15 TDi

Buemi/Hartley/Hirakawa

Conway/Kobayashi/Lopez





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	2008	Capello/Kristensen/McNish Audi R10 TDi
zi	2007	<b>Biela/Pirro/Werner</b> Audi R10 TDi
	2006	<b>Biela/Pirro/Werner</b> Audi R10 TDi
	2005	Kristensen/Lehto/Werner Audi R8
	2004	Kristensen/Ara/Capello Audi R8
	2003	Kristensen/Capello/Smith Bentley Speed 8
	2002	<b>Biela/Kristensen/Pirro</b> Audi R8
	2001	<b>Biela/Kristensen/Pirro</b> <i>Audi R8</i>
	2000	<b>Biela/Kristensen/Pirro</b> Audi R8
	1999	Winkelhock/Martini/Dalmas BMW V12 LMR
	1998	<b>McNish/Aïello/Ortelli</b> Porsche 911 GT1
	1995	<b>Dalmas/Lehto/Sekiya</b> McLaren F1 GTR
	1993	Brabham/Bouchut/Hélary Peugeot 905
	1992	Warwick/Dalmas/Blundell Peugeot 905
	1989	Mass/Dickens/Reuter Sauber C9-Mercedes-Benz
r	1978	<b>Pironi/Jaussaud</b> Renault-Alpine A442b
	1923	<b>Lagache/Léonard</b> Chenard & Walcker Sport









# MICHELIN LE MANS ANNIVERSARIES

#### 10 YEARS AGO... VICTORY FOR THE 'THIRD' PORSCHE

Porsche won its comeback to the race's prototype class with the #19 Porsche 919 Hybrid of Le Mans novices Nico Hulkenberg, Earl Bamber and Nick Tandy. Second and third where the #17 Porsche and #7 Audi.

#### 20 YEARS AGO... THE AUDI R8'S SWANSONG SUCCESS

After dominating world-class prototype endurance racing since the early Noughties, the Audi R8 reaped its fifth and final Le Mans triumph with Michelin in the hands of Lehto/Kristensen/Werner. Michelin has never claimed more victories with the same model. The French tire firm also monopolized the top six places overall.

#### **30 YEARS AGO...** LE MANS GLORY FOR MCLAREN

The Michelin-equipped McLaren F1 GTR of Japan's Kokusai Kaihatsu Racing won the 63rd Le Mans 24 Hours with Dalmas/Sekiya/Lehto, ahead of a Courage prototype. Almost half the grid was made up of GT1 or GT2 entries.



#### 1923: MICHELIN CLAIMS INAUGURAL LE MANS 24 HOURS



On May 26, 1923, a field of 33 cars set off in pouring rain to contest the very first Le Mans 24 Hours, known at the time as the Grand Prix d'Endurance de 24 Heures. The race featured a 17-kilometer dirt circuit and produced a onetwo finish for Chenard & Walcker/Michelin, led by the Lagache/Léonard car which averaged 92kph. Only three cars failed to finish.

#### NEW DISTANCE RECORD

The 2010 Le Mans 24 Hours saw Michelin and Audi establish a new distance record at Le Mans when Rockenfeller/ Dumas/Bernhard's Audi R15 TDi completed 5,410.713km (397 laps). The former record (5,335km) dated back to 1971 when the circuit layout was much faster. Michelin also holds the LMP2, LMGTE Pro and Am distance records.



In 2011, the #2 Audi R18 TDi/ Michelin won Le Mans by a margin of just 13.854 seconds after Benoît Tréluyer chose to

go out for a fifth stint on the same set of tires following the car's final pit stop. The 30 or so seconds saved by not changing his Michelins allowed the Frenchman to shrug off the late pressure applied by a trio of charging Peugeot 908 HDis to the finish line!

#### NEW AVERAGE-SPEED RECORD



Kamui Kobayashi Japan's established a new record for Le Mans when qualifying his Toyota TS050 Hybrid/Michelin for the 2017 race. His polewinning time of 3m14.791s equated to an average speed of 251.88kph, making it the fastest lap ever clocked in La Sarthe. The previous record dated back to 1985 (251.81kph). The 2017 race also saw Michelin post new lap records in LMP2, LMGTE Pro and LMGTE Am.





In 2018, the 2009 F1 world champion Jenson Button covered 55 laps (750km) at an average speed of more than 220kph on the same set of Michelin tires in his BR1-AER LMP1 prototype. That's equivalent to contesting more than two F1 grands prix without changing tires. Button posted the fastest lap of his quintuple stint (average speed: 242kph) 400 kilometers into his landmark run.

#### 27 CONSECUTIVE WINS -A RECORD

Michelin holds the record for the longest unbroken winning spell at Le Mans (27 victories since 1998). In the course of this ongoing run, the French manufacturer has had to adapt its range frequently as a function of shifting technical regulations and technologies employed by the successive cars. The record for the highest total number of Le Mans wins is currently held by Dunlop (34), ahead of Michelin (33) and Goodyear (14).

#### A HYDROGEN PROTOTYPE ON SUSTAINABLE TIRES

As part of the build-up to the 2022 Le Mans 24 Hours, and in keeping with Michelin's commitment to more sustainable, low-carbon motorsport, the hydrogenprototype H24 fueled completed a lap of the circuit on Michelin tires that contained 53 percent recycled and renewable raw materials. The 2024 race saw Michelin reveal a genuine racing tire containing 71 percent renewable or recycled raw materials!





R1	<b>QATAR 1812</b> (Qatar, Lusail)	<b>February 28</b>
R2	<b>6 HOURS O</b> (Italy)	F IMOLA April 20
R3	6 HOURS OF FRANCORC (Belgium)	-
R4	<b>LE MANS 24</b> (France)	<b>4 HOURS</b> June 14-15
R5 �	<b>6 HOURS OF</b> (Brazil)	<b>SAO PAULO</b> July 13
R6	<b>LONE STAR</b> (Texas, USA)	
R7	<b>6 HOURS O</b> (Japan)	<b>F FUJI</b> September 28
R8	<b>8 HOURS O</b> (Sakhir)	<b>F BAHRAIN</b> November 8



## FIA WEC TIRE REGULATIONS

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

Number of specifications for dry-weather tires			Number of specifications	
Le Mans 24 Hours	Other races	Total over the season	for wet- weather tires	
3	2	3	1	

#### **HYPERCAR ALLOCATION**

The maximum number of dryweather tires that can be used during a Competition is defined as follows:

a) *	Qualifying + Race			
Free Practice	Free Practice Hyperpole	6-hour races	8-hour races	10-hour races*
12	4	18	26	32

- For free practice sessions, from the beginning of the practice sessions.
- For the qualifying session and the race, from the start of the qualifying session.
- For the Hyperpole from the start of the session. Tires allocated for Hyperpole must be used only and exclusively for the Hyperpole session.
- To go from the pit lane to the starting grid before the start of the race, the tires used can be either dry-weather tires or wetweather tires and will not be counted in the allocation.
- At the start of a Competition, any dry weather tires used must be new.

#### **LE MANS 24H ALLOCATION**

Free Practice + Qualifying	Hyperpole**	Race
24	12	56

#### WET-WEATHER TIRES

The number of wet-weather tires usable during a Competition is not limited.

During practices and the race,

wetweather tires can only be used once the track has been declared wet by the Clerk of the Course / Race Director.

Tires for wet weather may have been already used and must be of the specification declared by the tire manufacturer.

#### **OTHER FACTS**

Any process that involves a direct or indirect attempt at modifying the temperature of a tire (compared to the ambient temperature) is forbidden.

Use of storage tents in designated

areas is permitted only if they are always ventilated with ambient air and accessible.

**Infringement of the tire allowance:** Stop & Go of 2 minutes per tire.

**Infringement of the tire heating rules:** Stop & Go of 3 minutes during the race.

Four mechanics and two tire guns allowed for wheel changes during pit stops. Wheel changes are only allowed when the car is not being refueled.

**Only one tire technician is allowed** to measure tire temperatures and pressures.

Tire changes may only be carried out on the starting grid up to the five-minute board, in front of the garage or inside the garage if significant work is being undertaken on the car, on the track in the case of a suspension of the race.

Each tire must be identified by RFID and barcode. All references must be declared to the Technical Delegate at least 48 hours before the start of the Competition.





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