

# RACEGUIDE

2026



## ROLEX 6 HOURS OF SÃO PAULO



#04



JULY 12



# 2026 TIMETABLE

## FRIDAY, JULY 10

11:00am  
> 12:30pm **Free Practice 1**

3:50pm  
> 5:20pm **Free Practice 2**

## SATURDAY, JULY 11

10:10am  
> 11:10am **Free Practice 3**

3:25pm  
> 3:37pm **Hypercar  
Qualifying**

3:45pm  
> 3:57pm **Hypercar  
Hyperpole**

## SATURDAY, JULY 12

**11:30am Start**



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**35  
ENTRIES**

**17  
HYPERCARS**

**8  
DIFFERENT  
MANUFACTURERS**

# THE 2026 6 HOURS OF SÃO PAULO

## 105<sup>th</sup> FIA WEC RACE



Michelin's Pilot Sport Endurance tires – which contain 50 percent renewable or recycled materials – are chasing their 10<sup>th</sup> race win (FIA WEC/IMSA)

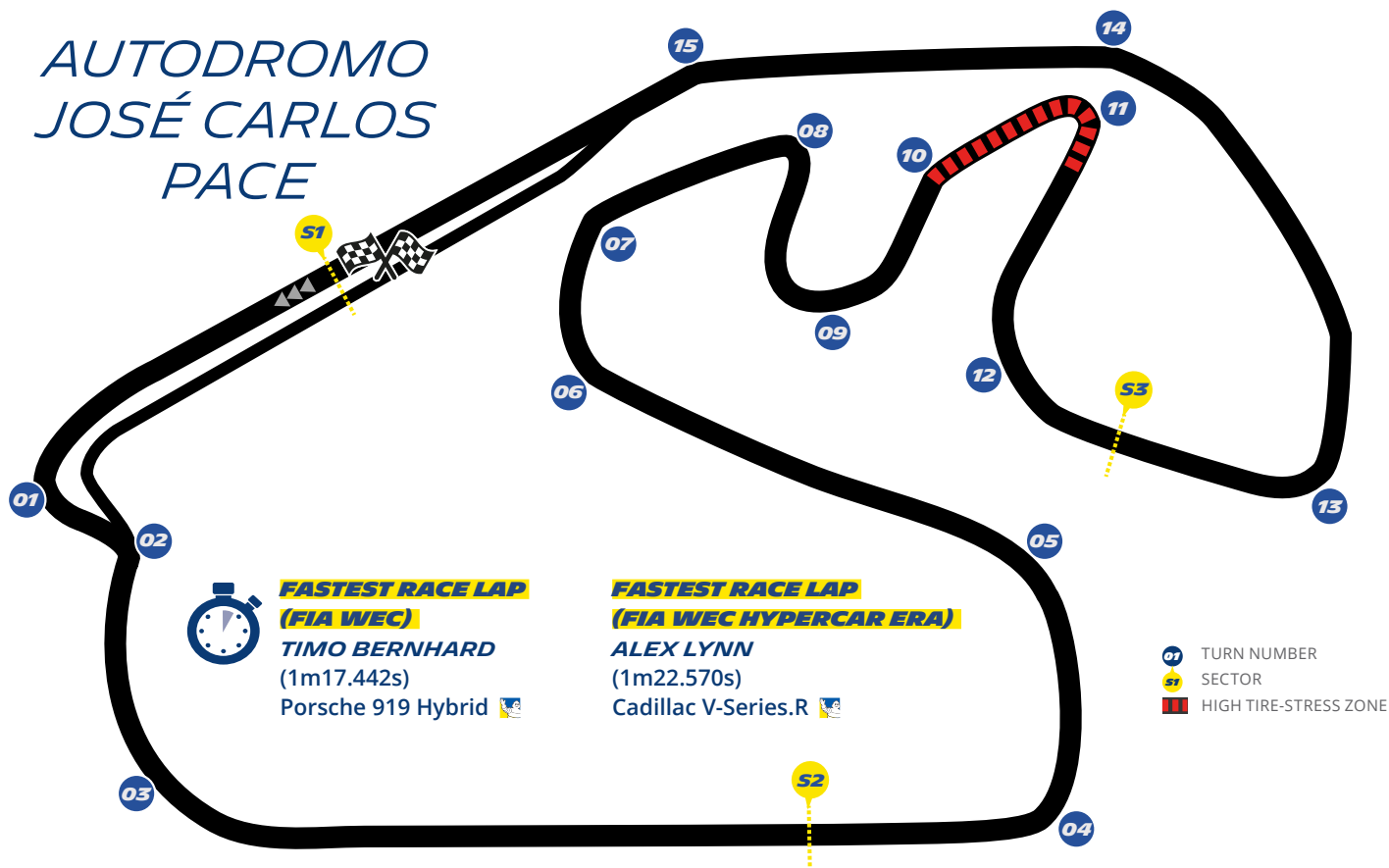
First 'long-haul' race for Genesis Magma Racing



## STATISTIC

Some fun facts from June's Le Mans 24 Hours: 1) Michelin established a new record for the highest number of Le Mans wins (35) by a single tire manufacturer. 2) Michelin took its score to more than 100 overall Le Mans podium-placings and 120 class victories. 3) The Netherlands' Nick de Vries became the 60th different driver to win Le Mans on Michelin tires. 4) BMW and Michelin qualified on pole position for the first time together. 5) Ryo Hirakawa clocked his first fastest FIA WEC race-lap on Michelin tires.

# AUTODROMO JOSÉ CARLOS PACE



## FASTEST RACE LAP (FIA WEC)

**TIMO BERNHARD**  
(1m17.442s)  
Porsche 919 Hybrid

## FASTEST RACE LAP (FIA WEC HYPERCAR ERA)

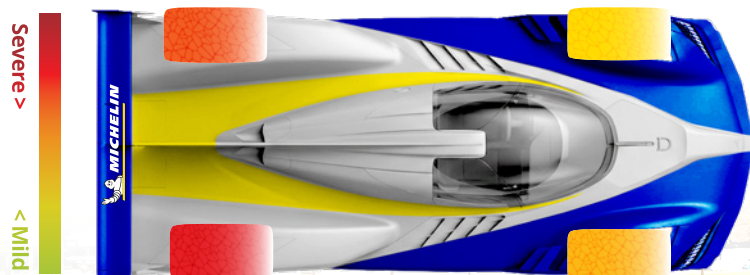
**ALEX LYNN**  
(1m22.570s)  
Cadillac V-Series.R

01 TURN NUMBER  
S1 SECTOR  
HIGH TIRE-STRESS ZONE

**4.309KM** / **15 TURNS**



## TIRE SEVERITY RATING



- » Shortest circuit on the FIA WEC calendar
- » Hilly and twisty (eight turns in Sector 2)
- » 'S do Senna' (Turns 1 and 2) and 'Curva do Sol' (Turn 3) are two of the circuit's best-known corners
- » The long start/finish straight is uphill
- » The Hypercars' MICHELIN Pilot Sport Endurance tires are submitted to a deceleration force of 3g into 'S do Senna' (Turns 1 and 2)
- » The highest vertical loads on the cars' front and rear are respectively 1,000kg and 1,025kg (through Turn 11/Mergulho)
- » The average front and rear vertical loads during a lap of Interlagos are 490kg and 563kg
- » The fastest cornering speed at Interlagos is 210kph (Turns 2, 3 / Curva do Sol and Turns 4 and 5 / Descida do Lago)





# THE 2025 RACE



**WINNERS**

**LYNN/NATO/STEVENS**

(Cadillac V-Series.R 🇫🇷), 242 laps

## HYPERPOLE

**ALEX LYNN** (Cadillac V-Series.R 🇫🇷) ⌚ 1m22.570s (187.9kph)

## FASTEST RACE LAP

**WILL STEVENS** (Cadillac V-Series.R 🇫🇷) ⌚ 1m24.498s (183.6kph)

## TOP SPEED

**KEVIN ESTRE** (Porsche 963 🇫🇷) ⌚ 294.8kph



Cadillac's first FIA WEC victory was a one-two finish!

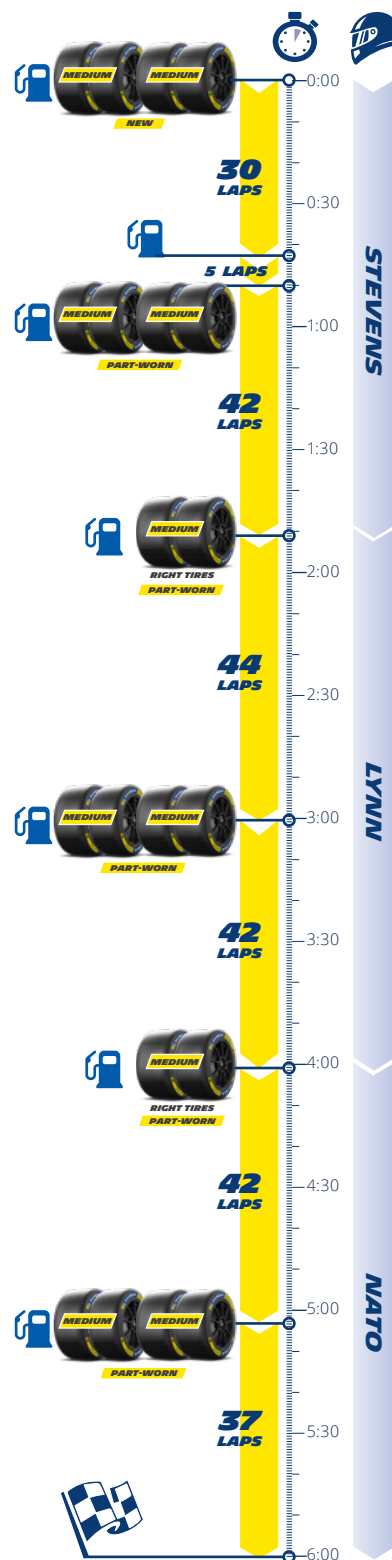
New track and race-lap records were posted by Cadillac V-Series.Rs

A hard race for Ferrari and Toyota

The Hypercars ran the medium-compound MICHELIN Pilot Sport slick

The new track surface led to relatively big wear-related issues

## THE WINNERS' STRATEGY



**Maximum distance on same tires**



**405KM**  
(left tires)



## PIERRE ALVES

(Manager, Endurance Racing Programs, Michelin Motorsport)



With Le Mans behind us, the new MICHELIN Pilot Sport Endurance range faces a different sort of challenge at Interlagos where our medium and hard compounds will be available. It's a hilly, twisty track that puts tires under considerable constraints all-lap long. Sector 1, for example, includes two heavy braking zones into Turns 1 and 4, and big demands are made of the rear-right accelerating out of Turn 3. The next sector's sequence of corners puts the emphasis on the mechanical grip provided by all four

**IT'S A HILLY,  
TWISTY TRACK  
THAT PUTS  
TIRES UNDER  
CONSIDERABLE  
CONSTRAINTS  
ALL-LAP LONG**

slicks and the last sector is tough on the rear-right once more, with a lengthy period of hard acceleration combined with a long climb from Turn 12 to the finish line. It's a high-energy lap from start to finish with the right-hand tires exposed to the biggest loads, especially the rear-right. In 2025, several teams opted for a strategy that included changing the right tires only and we will work closely with our Hypercar partners again this year to help them make the very most of their MICHELIN Pilot Sport Endurance slicks.



## MICHELIN'S FIA WEC RECORD

**104  
WINS**

WITH 8 DIFFERENT MANUFACTURERS  
including Toyota (51 wins), Porsche (21) and Audi (17)

WITH 60 DIFFERENT DRIVERS  
including S. Buemi (27), B. Hartley (24) and M. Conway (20)

**13**

MANUFACTURERS'  
WORLD TITLES

**13**

DRIVERS'  
TITLES







# THE MICHELIN PILOT SPORT ENDURANCE

***Easy to spot thanks to its stand-out Vision graphics, the new MICHELIN Pilot Sport Endurance contains 50 percent renewable or recycled raw materials. The range comprises three slicks – soft (white sidewall marking), medium (yellow) and hard (red) – plus a rain tire (blue).***

Following its nomination by the ACO (Automobile Club de l'Ouest) and FIA (Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile) as supplier for endurance racing's Hypercar prototypes, Michelin used advanced simulation technology to develop a bespoke Pilot Sport Endurance range in 2020. These tires made their race debut in May 2021 at Belgium's 6 Hours of Spa-Francorchamps.

After introducing a number of evolutions such as new sizes, Michelin began to work on an all-new range that contains 50 percent renewable/recycled materials, including rice husk, natural and recycled rubber, and recycled steel.

On completion of a two-year development and testing period, these tires are making their competitive debut in this year's FIA WEC.

Not only are they more sustainable, but they also deliver enhanced performance thanks to the work of Michelin Motorsport's

engineers on their warm-up characteristics and longevity. This is in response to the championship's regulations which ban tire-warming devices, as well as to mandatory double/triple-stinting due to smaller tire allowances per race.

With the exception of the Le Mans 24 Hours where all three compounds may be used, the number of different MICHELIN Pilot Sport Endurance slick specifications allowed per FIA WEC meeting is restricted to two.

Meanwhile, only one type of wet weather tire is authorized for the season. As a consequence, it needs to be capable of covering conditions ranging from damp or drying tracks to heavy rain.

Michelin is the sole tire supplier for the Hypercar prototypes (LMH, LMDh, hybrid, non-hybrid) which all run 29/71-18 and 34/71-18 front and rear Pilot Sport Endurances respectively.

# THE **MICHELIN** PILOT SPORT ENDURANCE **AT INTERLAGOS**

## SLICKS



Medium compound  
Dry conditions  
The most versatile option



Hard compound  
Dry conditions  
High track temperatures  
Big constraints

Only two slicks specifications available (three for Le Mans)

Tire warming systems may not be used

Compound for the Hyperpole session: medium

## RAIN TIRES



Soft compound  
Wet conditions  
Versatile

A single type  
of rain tire

## SLICKS ALLOCATION

|                          |                 |
|--------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>FREE PRACTICE</b>     | <b>12 TIRES</b> |
| <b>HYPERPOLE</b>         | <b>4 TIRES</b>  |
| <b>QUALIFYING + RACE</b> | <b>18 TIRES</b> |

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

## TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

|              |  <b>PRESSURE</b><br>(MINIMUM) | <b>CAMBER</b>              |
|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>FRONT</b> | Slick: 1.8 bar (26,1psi)<br>Wet: 1.1 bar (16psi)                                                                   | Between -3.0°<br>and -1.0° |
| <b>REAR</b>  | Slick: 1.8 bar (26,1psi)<br>Wet: 1.1 bar (16psi)                                                                   | Between -2.7°<br>and -1.0° |

Slick pressures are specified hot, whereas wet pressures are specified cold





**HYPERCAR****MICHELIN PARTNERS**

17 HYPERCAR PROTOTYPES REPRESENTING 8 MANUFACTURERS

**ASTON MARTIN THOR TEAM**ASTON  
MARTIN  
VALKYRIE  
AMR (LMH)Power unit: 6.5-liter  
normally-aspirated V12  
Power: 500kWFront-wheel drive propulsion  
Seven-speed Xtrac sequential  
gearbox

#007

H. TINCKNELL  
T. GAMBLE

#009

A. RIBERAS  
M. SORENSEN**TOYOTA RACING**TOYOTA  
TRO10  
(LMH)Power unit: 3.5-liter V6 bi-turbo +  
Toyota Hybrid System (front wheels)  
Power: 500kW + 200kWFour-wheel drive  
Seven-speed Xtrac  
sequential gearbox

#7

M. CONWAY  
K. KOBAYASHI  
N. DE VRIES

#8

S. BUEMI  
B. HARTLEY  
R. HIRAKAWA**BMW M TEAM WRT**BMW M  
HYBRID V8  
(LMDH)Power unit: 4-liter V8 bi-turbo +  
Bosch MGU (rear wheels)  
Power: 477kW + 50kWTwo-wheel drive  
Seven-speed Xtrac  
sequential gearbox

#15

D. VANTHOOR  
R. MARCIELLO  
K. MAGNUSSEN

#20

R. RAST  
R. FRIJNS  
S. VAN DER LINDE**GENESIS MAGMA RACING**GENESIS  
GMR-001Power unit: 3,2l V8 Turbo  
+ Bosch MGU Bosch (rear wheels)  
Power: 500kWTwo-wheel drive  
Seven-speed sequential  
gearbox

#17

A. LOTTERER  
P. DERANI  
M. JAUBERT

#19

P-L. CHATIN  
M. JAMINET  
D. JUNCADILLA**ALPINE ENDURANCE TEAM**ALPINE  
A424  
(LMDH)Power unit: 3.4-liter V6 turbo  
+ Bosch MGU (rear wheels)  
Power: 500kW + 50kWTwo-wheel drive  
Seven-speed Xtrac  
sequential gearbox

#35

A. FÉLIX DA COSTA  
C. MILESI  
F. HABSBERG

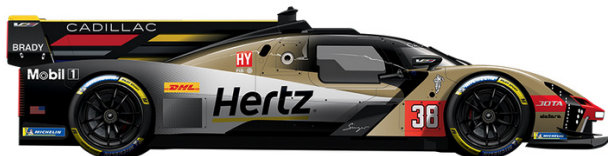
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J. GOUNON  
F. MAKOWIECKI  
V. MARTINS



## CADILLAC HERTZ TEAM JOTA

CADILLAC  
V-SERIES.R  
(LMDH)



Power unit: 5.5-liter V8 + Bosch  
MGU (rear wheels)  
Power: 500kW + 50kW



Two-wheel drive  
Seven-speed Xtrac  
sequential gearbox

#12



N. NATO  
 W. STEVENS

#38



E. BAMBER  
 S. BOURDAIS  
 J. AITKEN

## FERRARI AF CORSE

FERRARI  
499P  
(LMH)



Power unit: 3-liter V6 bi-turbo +  
hybrid system (front wheels)  
Power: 500kW + 200kW



Four-wheel drive  
Seven-speed Xtrac  
sequential gearbox

#50



A. FUOCO  
 M. MOLINA  
 N. NIELSEN

#51



A. PIER GUIDI  
 J. CALADO  
 A. GIOVINAZZI

## AF CORSE

FERRARI  
499P  
(LMH)



Power unit: 3-liter V6 bi-turbo  
+ hybrid system (front wheels)  
Power: 500kW + 200kW



Four-wheel drive  
Seven-speed Xtrac  
sequential gearbox

#83



R. KUBICA  
 Y. YE  
 P. HANSON

## PEUGEOT TOTALENERGIES

PEUGEOT  
9X8  
(LMH)



Power unit: 2.5-liter V6 bi-turbo +  
Peugeot MGU (front wheels)  
Power: 500kW + 200kW



Four-wheel drive  
Seven-speed Sadev  
sequential gearbox

#93



N. CASSIDY  
 P. DI RESTA  
 S. VANDOORNE

#94



L. DUVAL  
 M. JAKOBSEN  
 T. POURCHAIRE

# HYPERCAR STANDINGS

FIA WORLD ENDURANCE HYPERCAR CHAMPIONSHIP

| MANUFACTURERS   |         |                                                                                   | R1<br>19/04<br> | R2<br>9/05<br> | R3<br>13-14/06<br> | R4<br>12/07<br> | R5<br>6/09<br> | R6<br>27/09<br> | R7<br>24/10<br> | R8<br>7/11<br> | TOTAL |
|-----------------|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | TOYOTA  |  | 40                                                                                               | 12                                                                                              | 80                                                                                                  |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                   |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                   | 132   |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | BMW     |  | 16                                                                                               | 43                                                                                              | 37                                                                                                  |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                   |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                   | 96    |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | FERRARI |  | 27                                                                                               | 15                                                                                              | 20                                                                                                  |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                   |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                   | 62    |

| DRIVERS         |                       |                                                                                     | R1<br>19/04<br> | R2<br>9/05<br> | R3<br>13-14/06<br> | R4<br>12/07<br> | R5<br>6/09<br> | R6<br>27/09<br> | R7<br>24/10<br> | R8<br>7/11<br> | TOTAL |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | KAMUI KOBAYASHI       |    | 15                                                                                               | 10                                                                                              | 50                                                                                                  |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                   |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                   | 75    |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | MIKE CONWAY           |    | 15                                                                                               | 10                                                                                              | 50                                                                                                  |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                   |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                   | 75    |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | NYCK DE VRIES         |    | 15                                                                                               | 10                                                                                              | 50                                                                                                  |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                   |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                   | 75    |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | RENÉ RAST             |    | 10                                                                                               | 25                                                                                              | 36                                                                                                  |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                   |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                   | 71    |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | ROBIN FRIJNS          |    | 10                                                                                               | 25                                                                                              | 36                                                                                                  |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                   |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                   | 71    |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | SHELDON VAN DER LINDE |  | 0                                                                                                | 25                                                                                              | 36                                                                                                  |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                   |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                   | 61    |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | BRENDON HARTLEY       |  | 25                                                                                               | 1                                                                                               | 30                                                                                                  |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                   |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                   | 56    |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | RYŌ HIRAKAWA          |  | 25                                                                                               | 1                                                                                               | 30                                                                                                  |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                   |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                   | 56    |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | SÉBASTIEN BUEMI       |  | 25                                                                                               | 1                                                                                               | 30                                                                                                  |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                   |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                   | 56    |





# 2026 CALENDAR

**R1 6 HOURS OF IMOLA**  
(Italy) April 19

**R2 6 HOURS OF SPA-FRANCORCHAMPS**  
(Belgium) May 9

**R3 LE MANS 24 HOURS**  
(France) June 13-14

**R4 6 HOURS OF SAO PAULO**  
(Brazil) July 12

**R5 LONE STAR LE MANS**  
(Texas, USA) September 6

**R6 6 HOURS OF FUJI**  
(Japan) September 27

**R7 QATAR 1812 KM**  
(Qatar, Lusail) October 24

**R8 8 HOURS OF BAHRAIN**  
(Sakhir) November 7



## FIA WEC TIRE REGULATIONS

### SPECIFICATIONS

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

### HYPERCAR ALLOCATION

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

| Free Practice | Hyperpole* | Qualifying + Race |              |                |
|---------------|------------|-------------------|--------------|----------------|
|               |            | 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.

### WET-WEATHER TIRES

The tread and profile of the tires must not be modified or recut.

Under exceptional circumstances, upon request of the tire manufacturer, the Stewards may grant a derogation for the tire manufacturer to recut the wet-weather tire specification. This modification will be exclusively

allowed for one Competition, done by the tire manufacturer, under the condition that the tire manufacturer will supply all the Competitors with the same number of tires with the same modification (cutting pattern to be submitted to the ACO/FIA beforehand) at the same time..

### 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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IS THE ULTIMATE TEST FOR MICHELIN**



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FOR EVERYDAY ROADS**

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FOR LONGER**



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