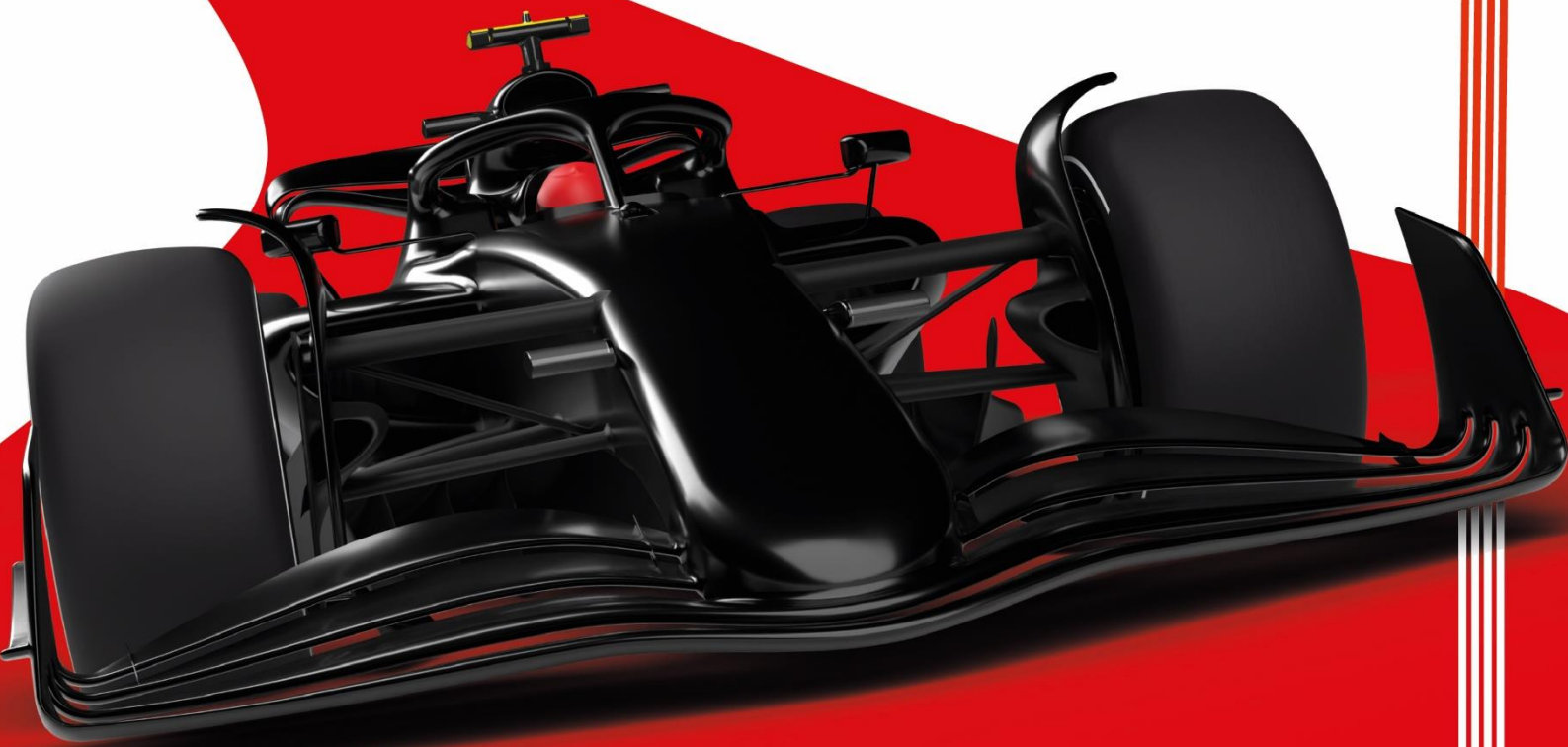




FORMULA 1 AZERBAIJAN GRAND PRIX



2023

BAKU CITY CIRCUIT | 28-30 APRIL



WELCOME NOTE

Dear friends,

On behalf of Baku City Circuit, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the FORMULA 1 AZERBAIJAN GRAND PRIX 2023 – the race where you can always Expect the Unexpected.

The seventh edition of our race weekend, which also marks my first as General Director of Baku City Circuit, is set to be another thrilling race weekend full of high drama, surprise twists and breathtaking action.

This year, we are preparing for a race like no other as Baku City Circuit gets ready to stage the first of six sprint races scheduled for the 2023 Formula 1 season. The addition of this popular format on our ultra-fast circuit is sure to guarantee even more incredible moments that can sit alongside the many iconic scenes we have already witnessed here since our race made its debut in 2016.

As always, anticipation levels are high for the FORMULA 1 AZERBAIJAN GRAND PRIX, which has established itself as the most unpredictable race in F1 over the past seven years. With the F1 season very much in its infancy, and our race coming after a month's break in the calendar, the drivers will be raring to go and looking to lay down a marker for the rest of the season when they hit the streets of Baku once again.

Since our F1 debut in 2016, Baku has established itself as an iconic race weekend and continues to surprise and inspire all visitors. With six different winners in the previous six races, it remains to be seen if the streak will continue when the world's best drivers return to the streets of Azerbaijan's capital this weekend. Indeed, in the true spirit of our DNA, at Baku City Circuit the one thing we can always promise is to Expect the Unexpected!

Aside from the exciting on-track action, fans will be treated to three days of incredible live entertainment and headlining concerts by international music stars. DJ, Don Diablo, the globally acclaimed digital artist, record producer, musician and songwriter of electric dance music will take to the Main Stage on Friday, April 28th to kick off the Formula 1 weekend, followed by dance music superstar, DJ, music producer and award-winning artist Hardwell, who will be headlining on Saturday, April 29th in the stunning Baku Boulevard Fanzone once the racing on track has come to an end.

All that remains is for me to wish you a wonderful stay in Baku for the FORMULA 1 AZERBAIJAN GRAND PRIX. We encourage you to enjoy the race, the warm Azerbaijani welcome and all the delights our wonderful city has to offer.

Magsud Farzullayev

General Director

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1.1 TIMETABLE– FORMULA 1® AZERBAIJAN GRAND PRIX 2023

THURSDAY –	05:45		SUNRISE		
	07:00		TRACK OPEN TO PUBLIC TRAFFIC, T16 TO T1		
	08:30		TEAM CURFEW ENDS (STARTED WEDNESDAY 19:30)		
	09:00		TRACK CLOSED TO PUBLIC TRAFFIC, T16 to T1		
09:30	11:45	FORMULA 1	TRACK		TRACK OPEN TO F1 PASS HOLDERS
12:00	15:00	FORMULA 1	TRACK		TRACK CLOSED FIA/ F1 SYSTEMS
				CHECKS-TRACK ACCESS	
				RESTRICTED TO FIA/F1 ONLY	
13:15	13:45	FIA FORMULA 2	TRACK		F2 SYSTEMS CHECKS
13:30	14:00	PROMOTER ACTIVITY	ONLINE MEETING	SECURITY BRIEFING	
13:45	14:00	FIA TRACK	TRACK		TRACK INSPECTION, TRACK
					COMPLETELY CLEAR
14:00	15:00	FIA	TRACK		HIGH SPEED TRACK TEST – FIA SAFETY
					& MEDICAL CARS
14:30	15:35	FORMULA 1		PRESS CONF. ROOM	F1 DRIVER'S & MEDIA ACTIVITY
15:30	16:30	PROMOTER ACTIVITY	TRACK		MARSHAL TRAINING AND SIMULA-
					TION (HIGH SPEED, TRACK CLOSED)
16:30	18:00	PROMOTER ACTIVITY	PIT LANE	3 DAY TICKET HOLDET	PIT LANE WALK
16:50					TRACK OPEN TO F1 PASS HOLDERS UNTIL 20:00
17:00	17:30	FIA FORMULA 2	PRESS CONF.ROOM	DRIVERS' & TEAM MANAGER'S	
					MEETING
18:00	19:00	F1 EXPERIENCES	TRACK		F1 EXPERIENCES TRACK TOUR &
					TROPHY PHOTO
18:00	19:30	F1 EXPERIENCES	PIT LANE		F1 EXPERIENCES PIT LANE WALK
19:30					TEAM CURFEW STARTS
19:31					SUNSET
20:00					TRACK OPEN TO PUBLIC TRAFFIC, T16 TO T1
22:00					TRACK CLOSED TO PUBLIC TRAFFIC, T16 TO T1

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FRIDAY - 05:44		SUNRISE		TEAM CURFEW ENDS	
09:30					
09:45	09:55	FIA		TRACK	MEDICAL INSPECTION
09:55	10:15	FIA		TRACK	TRACK INSPECTION & SAFETY CAR TEST
10:30	11:30	FORMULA 1		PRESS CONF. ROOM	TEAM MANAGERS MEETING
11:05	11:50 ¹	FIA FORMULA 2	TRACK		PRACTICE SESSION
12:00	13:00	FORMULA 1		PIT LANE	F1 CAR PRESENTATION
12:00	13:00	PADDOCK CLUB	PIT LANE	PADDOCK CLUB	PIT LANE WALK
12:00	13:00	PADDOCK CLUB	TRACK		PADDOCK CLUB TRACK TOUR
13:00	13:15	FIA		TRACK	TRACK INSPECTION & STEWARDS FAMILIARISATION
13:30	14:30¹	FORMULA 1		TRACK	FIRST PRACTICE SESSION
15:00	15:30	FIA FORMULA 2	TRACK		QUALIFYING SESSION
15:00	16:00	FORMULA 1		PRESS CONF. ROOM	TEAM'S PRESS CONFERENCE
15:30	16:30	FORMULA 1		ONLINE MEETING	F1 DRIVERS' MEETING
15:40	16:35	PADDOCK CLUB	TRACK		PADDOCK CLUB TRACK TOUR
15:40	16:35	PADDOCK CLUB	PIT LANE	PADDOCK CLUB	PIT LANE WALK
16:15	16:45	FIA FORMULA 2	PRESS CONF. ROOM		PRESS CONFERENCE
16:35	16:45	FIA		TRACK	TRACK INSPECTION
17:00	18:00¹	FORMULA 1		TRACK	QUALIFYING
18:15	19:00	FIA		PIT LANE	MARSHAL'S PIT LANE WALK
18:20		TRACK OPEN TO F1 PASS HOLDERS UNTIL 20:00			
19:30	20:30	FORMULA 1		PRESS CONF. ROOM	DRIVERS' MEETING
19:32		SUNSET			
20:00		TRACK OPEN TO PUBLIC TRAFFIC, T16 TO T1			
22:00		TRACK CLOSED TO PUBLIC TRAFFIC, T16 TO T1			

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SATURDAY		05:43 09:30	SUNRISE F1 CAR SEALS REMOVED	
09:45	10:15	FORMULA 1	PIT LANE	TEAM PIT STOP PRACTICE
11:40	11:50	FIA	TRACK	MEDICAL INSPECTION
11:50	12:10	FIA	TRACK	TRACK INSPECTION & SAFETY CAR TEST
12:30	13:14	FORMULA 1	TRACK	SPRINT SHOOTOUT
13:30	14:00	PADDOCK CLUB	TRACK	PADDOCK CLUB TRACK TOUR
13:30	14:20	PADDOCK CLUB	PIT LANE	PADDOCK CLUB PIT LANE WALK
14:45	14:50	FIA FORMULA 2	PIT LANE	PIT LANE OPEN
15:00*	15:50²	FIA FORMULA 2	TRACK	SPRINT RACE (21 LAPS OR 45 MINS + 1 LAP)
16:00	16:30	PADDOCK CLUB	TRACK	PADDOCK CLUB TRACK TOUR
16:00	16:40	PADDOCK CLUB	PIT LANE	PADDOCK CLUB PIT LANE WALK
16:10	16:40	FIA FORMULA 2	PRESS CONF. ROOM	PRESS CONFERENCE
16:40	16:50	FIA	TRACK	TRACK INSPECTION
17:00	17:05	FIA FORMULA 1	PIT LANE	PIT LANE OPEN
17:05	17:25	FIA FORMULA 1	TRACK	GRID ACTIVITY
17:30*	18:00²	FIA FORMULA 1	TRACK	SPRINT RACE (17 LAPS OR 60 MINS)
18:00	18:30	FORMULA 1	TRACK	SPRINT VICTORY CEREMONY
18:00	19:00	FIA FORMULA 1	PRESS CONF. ROOM	PRESS CONFERENCE
18:50		TRACK OPEN TO F1 PASS HOLDERS UNTIL 20:00		
19:33		SUNSET		
20:00		TRACK OPEN TO PUBLIC TRAFFIC, T16 TO T1		
22:00		TRACK CLOSED TO PUBLIC TRAFFIC, T16 TO T1		

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SUNDAY	05:41		SUNRISE		
		10:00		F1 CAR COVER SEALS REMOVED	
10:20	10:30	FIA		TRACK	MEDICAL INSPECTION
10:30	10:50	FIA		TRACK	TRACK INSPECTION & SAFETY CAR TEST
11:10	11:15	FIA FORMULA 2	PIT LANE	PIT LANE OPEN	
11:25	12:30 ²	FIA FORMULA 2	TRACK		FEATURE RACE (29 LAPS OR 60 MINS + 1 LAP)
12:45	13:15	PROMOTER ACTIVITY	TRACK		CLASSIC CAR PARADE
12:45	13:15	PADDOCK CLUB	TRACK		PADDOCK CLUB TRACK TOUR
12:45	13:45	PADDOCK CLUB	PIT LANE		PADDOCK CLUB PIT LANE WALK
12:50	13:20	FORMULA 1		GRID	DRIVERS' PRESENTATION
13:20	13:40	PROMOTER ACTIVITY	TRACK		OPENING CEREMONY
13:20	13:50	FIA FORMULA 2	PRESS CONF. ROOM	PRESS CONFERENCE	
13:50	14:00	FIA		TRACK	TRACK & MEDCAL INSPECTION
14:10	14:20	FORMULA 1		PIT LANE	PIT LANE OPEN
14:46	14:48	FORMULA 1		TRACK	NATIONAL ANTHEM
15:00*	17:00 ²	FORMULA 1		TRACK	GRAND PRIX (51 LAPS OR 120 MINS)
19:34		SUNSET			

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1.2 BAKU CITY CIRCUIT - CIRCUIT MAP



CIRCUIT STATISTICS

Track Length: 6.003km	Laps: 51
Pit Lane Length: 330m	Turns: 20
Pit Lane Speed: 80 km/h	
Official Top Speed in 2016: 366km/h	
Fastest Pit Stop: 1.92 seconds	

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1.3 HOW TO GET TO BAKU CITY CIRCUIT

The following information is provided to inform residents and businesses located around the Racetrack of changes to the surrounding areas as a result of the Formula 1® Azerbaijan Grand Prix 2023.

To facilitate the set-up of race infrastructure, roads that make up the street circuit will be closed for traffic, however, pedestrians will be able to freely move around the competition area using pedestrian overpasses and underground passways as well.

Pedestrian overpasses will be installed and activated during Race-week at the following locations:

1. The intersection of Azerbaijan Avenue and Istiglaliyat Street.
2. The intersection of Khagani and Rashid Behbudov Street.
3. The intersection of Azadlig Avenue and Khagani Street.
4. The intersection of Rashid Behbudov Street with Neftchiler Avenue

Due to the commencement of the project logistics operations, the traffic will be restricted at the part of Pushkin Street between Uzeyir Hajibeyli Street and Neftchilar Avenue as of 22nd April 2023 from 01:00 am till the end of the Event. According to the approved Traffic Management Plan, the roads within Baku City Circuit and the areas around the track will be closed for traffic starting from 01:00 am on 24th April till 08:00 am on 2nd May.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Airport

Buses and taxis connect 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 the Airport – City Centre – Airport route.

Please refer to <http://www.aeroexpress.az/> for more details.

Metro

Baku Metro hours are from 6:00 am to 1:00 am although some stations close at 0:30 am. At peak times there are trains every 1-6 minutes.

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Public Buses

General data regarding bus routes & schedules is available on the Baku Transport Agency website, please refer to the link down below.

<http://alo141.az/buses/index?language=en>

The changes in bus routes and schedules affected by the Event will be posted beforehand on the website of the Baku Transport Agency website, while additional relevant statements will be made via local media outlets (radio, online, television).

Taxis

A taxi can take you to the passenger drop-off point close to the Racetrack, but NOT to the Race-track entrance Gates.

Please refer to <https://www.bakutaxi.info/taxi> where you can find information on all taxi companies which are operational in Baku.

To help you choose the most affordable option, you can compare the cost of the various taxi services on offer via the above website. In the event of any issues with your driver, you can complain directly to the taxi company. Similarly, for any lost or forgotten items, you can speak to the 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 website, or through an application (where applicable) on your smartphone, which is very convenient. Taxi fares vary depending on the class of the car. The average travel time within Baku is 10-15 minutes.

For the convenience of customers, 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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1.4 TRAVEL GUIDE

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 amphitheatre 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.

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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.



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1.5 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 Gepik (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).

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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 dialed 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 dialed for calls within Azerbaijan. For example: 050-123-XXXX. When calling from outside Azerbaijan, the country code then number minus the zero should be dialed. For example: +994-50-123-XXXX.

Time Zone

Azerbaijan is GMT+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 tickets for selected city museums and attractions, plus discounts and special offers at shops, cafes, restaurants and much more.

Please go for more information to <https://bakucard.az/>

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

Please use the following link for the full list of partners.

<http://bakucard.az/partners/>

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

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2. MEDIA SERVICES

2.1 ACCREDITATION AND MEDIA CENTRE

ACCREDITATION

The MAC will be located at the following address:

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 1B Azadlig Ave,
 Baku AZ1000
 Azerbaijan
 Phone: +994 55 206 45 60

Media Accreditation Centre Operational Period	Hours of Operation
Wednesday, 26th April	09:00 – 18:00 (FIA media accreditation to be available from 14:00)
Thursday, 27th April	08:00 – 18:00
Friday, 28th April	08:00 – 16:00
Saturday, 29th April	08:00 – 14:00
Sunday, 30th April	08:00 – 13:00 (

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, 26th April	14:00 – 18:00
Thursday, 27th April	09:00 – 18:00
Friday, 28th April	08:00 – 00:00
Saturday, 29th April	08:00 – 00:00
Sunday, 30th April	08:00 – (until the last journalist leaves)

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2.2 FACILITIES

PRESS ROOM AND PHOTOGRAPHERS' AREA

- 364 seats for media & photographers
- 88 seats for photographers
- 112 TV's / Timing monitors
- P.A. speakers/ Data / Wi-Fi

LOCKER ROOM

- 360 lockers (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

- 1 seat
- 1 laptops
- 1 direct phone

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

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2.3 PRESS CONFERENCES

The Media Centre will host four official Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile (FIA) press conferences during the race weekend. There will be a press conference on each of the days of the event starting on Thursday. All Press Conferences will be transmitted into the Media Centre.

Thursday, 14:30 – 15:35 hrs,

- Two groups of five drivers will be available for a maximum duration of 30 minutes in the FIA Press Conference Room – these drivers will not take part in the TV Pen. The remaining ten drivers not in the Press Conference will take part in the TV pen only.

Friday, 15:00 – 16:00 hrs,

- Following FP1, up to six team representatives, chosen by the FIA F1 Media Delegate, take part in the Press Conference. These Representatives will also take part in the TV Pen.

Saturday, following the Sprint Race, 18:00 – 19:00 hrs:

- TV parc fermé interview with the top three drivers of the Sprint Race. (Transmitted into the Media Centre).
- Post-Sprint Press Conference for the top three finishing drivers.

Sunday, following the podium celebrations:

- TV interview with the top three finishing drivers. (Transmitted into the Media Center).

Sunday, after the parc ferme interviews:

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

All press conferences will be transmitted into the Media Centre.

F2 press conference will be held after each race, on

- **Friday 16:15 – 16:45 (Qualifying Top 3)**
- **Saturday at 16:10 – 16:40 (Sprint Race Press Conference) and**
- **Sunday after the race from 13:20 – 13:50 (Feature Race Press Conference).**

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2.3 PRESS CONFERENCES – ADDITIONAL MEDIA OPPORTUNITIES

Qualifying – All drivers eliminated in Q1 or Q2 will be available for media interviews immediately after the end of each session, as will drivers who participated in Q3 and who are not required for the post-qualifying press conference, at the “TV Interview Area”, located at the back of the FIA garage, paddock side.

Race – Any driver retiring before the end of the race will be available for media interviews after his return to the paddock. In addition, all drivers who finish the race outside the top three will be available for media interviews immediately after the end of the race.

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2.4 MEDIA TRANSPORT & SHUTTLES

From Airport – to Media Hotel (Midtown Hotel Baku)

A free taxi service has been organised for media providing transport from Heydar Aliyev International Airport to the designated media hotel - Midtown Hotel Baku. The designated media taxi services 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 Midtown Hotel Baku. To avail of this taxi service, media will have had to provide their flight details and request transportation from BCC before arrival. Upon arrival at the airport, BCC’s Arrivals and Departures Team will be present to provide guidance for media transportation.

For advanced taxi bookings, please contact:

Email: mediaservices@bakugp.az Phone: +994 55 206 45 60

For those who haven’t requested the taxi service prior to their arrival, a paid taxi service from/to GYD is available. Public transport services from/to GYD are also available.

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

Uber and Bolt also operate in Baku.

Midtown Hotel Baku – Media Centre / MAC – Media Hotel

There is also shuttle bus service from the designated media hotel, Midtown Hotel Baku, to the Media Accreditation Centre and to the Media Centre at the Hilton Hotel. Besides from Midtown Hotel Baku based media representatives, all media representatives can come to the hotel to avail of the free shuttle bus service to the Media Accreditation Centre and Media Centre with F1 accreditation.

The shuttle service from the media hotels to the MAC/MC drop off zone will be provided according to the MAC and MC operating hours schedule:

Media Hotel Service to Media Centre & Media Accreditation Centre Operating Times		Approximate Travel Time	Frequency
26.04.	08:00 – 19:00	20 min	Every 30 min
27.04.	07:00 – 19:00		
28.04.	07:00 – 01:00		
29.04.	07:00 – 01:00		
30.04.	07:00 – until last journalist leaves		

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Car Park Information

For those media representative using rental cars to reach the Media Centre, the media car park (P4) is located on intersection of BulBul Ave and L. Tolstov Street (Coordinates (Google maps) → 40.374407, 49.843531). Capacity of the media car park is 30 slots, extra slots can be provided in case of demand. Since the location of the Media Car Park is close to the Media Centre/MAC, no shuttle service operating between the media car park and media centre will be provided.

Taxis to the 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 large 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 Landmark Business Centre of the Azerbaijan Opera and Ballet Theatre (see map below) and then walk over the footbridges towards the nearest pedestrian scanning area (PSA4 or PSA5).



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2.4 MEDIA TRANSPORT & SHUTTLES

Photographers' Services

To enable photographers to capture the best possible shots of the race, BCC provides a number of windows at key locations along the track.

Photographer shuttles before and after each session will connect photographers to the most important sections around the circuit.

Operating hours: Please refer to the schedule on the Media Centre's official notice board for photographer shuttle timings.

In addition to the on-track transport service, the golf cart service operating within the Baku Boulevard will be available during each of the sessions. Please refer to the photographers' pocket map for shuttle and golf carts pick up/ drop off points.

Photographers' Building

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:

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2.4 MEDIA TRANSPORT & SHUTTLES

Photographers' Building

	<p>Building 1: 1B Azadlig Avenue Rooftop Bar Sky Grill, Hilton Hotel</p>
	<p>Building 2: 8, Aziz Aliyev Street. Roof of the Cinema Plus Building</p>
	<p>Building 3: Podium on the top of the Gala Gapisi</p>

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2.4 MEDIA TRANSPORT & SHUTTLES

Photographers' Building Continued



Building 4:
31, Istiglaliyyat Street.
Balconies on the building facing Icheri Sheher Metro Station.



Building 5:
25, Istiglaliyyat Street.
3rd floor balcony, facing Philharmonic.



Building 6:
Turn 15, 9/11 Niyazi Street.
National Museum of Art Building

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2.4 MEDIA TRANSPORT & SHUTTLES

Photographers' Building Continued



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Back of Khazar Grandstand. **Museum**
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2. MEDIA SERVICES

2.5 MEDIA ACTIVITIES

2.5.1 MEDIA KARTING EVENT – WEDNESDAY APRIL 26TH

Following last years' introduction of the Media Karting Event, Baku City Circuit is excited to once again invite international media to join in the fun and race against their fellow colleagues.

The early evening activity will be followed by a joined dinner at Atelier 61 Grill and Terrace Restaurant next to Baku Karting Track.



Media Karting Schedule:

3:40 pm	Meeting at Hilton Hotel/ Lobby entrance
3:50 pm	Walking to bus pick-up location near Hilton Hotel
4:00 pm	Departure to Baku City Karting
5:00 – 6:00 pm	Media Karting Race
6:00 – 6:15 pm	Departure to dinner location
6:30 – 8:00 pm	Dinner at Atelier 61 Grill and Terrace Restaurant
8:00 pm	Return to bus pick-up/ drop-off location near Hilton Hotel

Please Note:

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2.5 MEDIA ACTIVITIES

2.5.2 MEDIA SIGHTSEEING TOUR – WEDNESDAY APRIL 26TH

Baku City Circuit is excited to once again welcome the international media to Baku for the FORMULA 1 AZERBAIJAN GRAND PRIX 2023. 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 26th.

This year, BCC has organized a tour of the Old City to showcase the rich history of Baku to media representatives visiting the capital. *Fuad Akhundov*, the man behind the popular TV series called ‘Secrets of Baku’ will guide the tour and introduce media representatives to the legendary residents of Baku, its historical place and stories behind the city.

The tour finishes with lunch in an authentic restaurant serving the best local cuisine in Icheri Sheher, the Old Town of Baku, which was recognised as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2000.



Tour Agenda Overview:

11:30 pm	Meeting at Hilton Hotel/ Lobby entrance
12:00 – 1:30 pm	Start of the Sightseeing Tour including Maiden Tower, Baku Khans’ Park, Shirvanshah’s Palace, Caravanserais, Garden of Philharmony, Aliagha Vahid’s Park and Sabir’s Park.
1:30 pm	End of the tour
1:30 – 3:00 pm	Lunch in Icheri Sheher (Optional)
3:00 pm	Tour ends/ Return to Hilton Hotel.

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2.5 MEDIA ACTIVITIES

2.5.3 MEDIA COCKTAIL PARTY – THURSDAY APRIL 27th

Baku City Circuit cordially invites you to celebrate the Formula 1 Azerbaijan Grand Prix 2023 with us.

When: Thursday, April 27th from 7pm to midnight

Where: Landmark Hotel Baku

Caspian Grill & Terrace, 20th Floor
90A Nizami Street, Baku 1010

Please note:

- This party is for F1 media, F1 teams and accredited F1/FIA personnel only.
- Please remember to bring your F1 accreditation/ Paddock pass with you when coming to the party in the Caspian Grill & Terrace at the Landmark Hotel.

MEDIA COCKTAIL WELCOME PARTY

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When : Thursday, April 27th from 7pm to midnight
Where: Landmark Hotel Baku
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3. 2023 FIA FORMULA 1 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP™

3.1 CALENDAR

03-05 March	GULF AIR BAHRAIN GRAND PRIX	Sakhir
17-19 March	STC SAUDI ARABIAN GRAND PRIX	Jeddah
31 Mar-02 April	ROLEX AUSTRALIAN GRAND PRIX	Melbourne
28-30 April	AZERBAIJAN GRAND PRIX	Baku
05-07 May	CRYPTO.COM MIAMI GRAND PRIX	Miami
19-21 May	GRAN PREMIO DEL MADE IN ITALY E DELL' EMILIA ROMAGNA	Imola
26-28 May	GRAND PRIX DE MONACO	Monte Carlo
02-04 Jun	GRAN PREMIO DE ESPAÑA	Barcelona
16-18 Jun	GRAND PRIX DU CANADA	Montreal
30 Jun-02 Jul	GROSSER PREIS VON ÖSTERREICH	Spielberg
07 -09 Jul	ARAMCO BRITISH GRAND PRIX	Silverstone
21 -23 Jul	HUNGARIAN GRAND PRIX	Budapest
28-30 Jul	BELGIAN GRAND PRIX	Spa
25-27 Aug	HEINEKEN DUTCH GRAND PRIX	Zandvoort
01-03 Sep	GRAN PREMIO D'ITALIA	Monza
15-17 Sep	SINGAPORE AIRLINES SINGAPORE GRAND PRIX	Singapore
22 -24 Sep	LENOVO JAPANESE GRAND PRIX	Suzuka
06-08 Oct	QATAR GRAND PRIX	Losail
20-22 Oct	LENEVO UNITED STATES GRAND PRIX	Austin
27-29 Oct	GRAN PREMIO DE LA CIUDAD DE MÉXICO	Mexico City
03-05 Nov	ROLEX GRANDE PRÊMIO DE SÃO PAULO	São Paulo
16-18 Nov	HEINEKEN SILVER LAS VEGAS GRAND PRIX	Las Vegas
24-26 Nov	ETIHAD AIRWAYS ABU DHABI GRAND PRIX	Yas Marina

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3.2 DRIVERS' ENTRY LIST

No	Driver	Country	Team
1	Max Verstappen	Netherland	Oracle Red Bull Racing
11	Sergio Perez	Mexico	Oracle Red Bull Racing
16	Charles Leclerc	Monaco	Scuderia Ferrari
55	Carlos Sainz	Spain	Scuderia Ferrari
44	Lewis Hamilton	Great Britain	Mercedes AMG Petronas Formula One Team
63	George Russell	Great Britain	Mercedes AMG Petronas Formula One Team
10	Pierre Gasly	France	BWT Alpine F1 Team
31	Esteban Ocon	France	BWT Alpine F1 Team
81	Oscar Piastri	Australia	McLaren F1 Team
4	Lando Norris	Great Britain	McLaren F1 Team
77	Valtteri Bottas	Finland	Alfa Romeo F1 Team Stake
24	Guanyu Zhou	China	Alfa Romeo F1 Team Stake
14	Fernando Alonso	Spain	Aston Martin Cognizant F1 Team
18	Lance Stroll	Canada	Aston Martin Cognizant F1 Team
20	Kevin Magnussen	Denmark	Moneygram Haas F1 Team
27	Nico Hülkenberg	Germany	Moneygram Haas F1 Team
45	Nyck de Vries	Netherland	Scuderia AlphaTauri Honda
22	Yuki Tsunoda	Japan	Scuderia AlphaTauri Honda
23	Alexander Albon	Thailand	Williams Racing
02	Logan Sargeant	USA	Williams Racing

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3.3 STATISTICAL DATA

2023 POLE POSITION/WINNER/FASTEST LAP

GP	POLE POSITION	WINNER	FASTEST LAP
Sakhir	Max Verstappen	Max Verstappen	Zhou Guanyu
Jeddah	Sergio Perez	Sergio Perez	Max Verstappen
Melbourne	Max Verstappen	Max Verstappen	Sergio Perez

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3.3 STATISTICAL DATA CONT...

2023 DRIVERS STANDING TO DATE

DRIVER	POINTS
Max Verstappen	69
Sergio Perez	54
Fernando Alonso	45
Lewis Hamilton	38
Carlos Sainz	20
Lance Stroll	20
George Russell	18
Lando Norris	8
Nico Hülkenberg	6
Charles Leclerc	6
Valtteri Bottas	4
Esteban Ocon	4
Oscar Piastri	4
Pierre Gasly	4
Guanyu Zhou	2
Yuki Tsunoda	1
Kevin Magnussen	1
Alexander Albon	1
Logan Sargeant	0
Nyck De Vries	0

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3.3 STATISTICAL DATA CONT...

2023 TEAM STANDING TO DATE

TEAM	POINTS
Oracle Red Bull Racing	123
Aston Martin Aramco Cognizant Formula One Team	65
Mercedes AMG Petronas Motorsport	56
Scuderia Ferrari	26
McLaren F1 Team	12
BWT Alpine F1 Team	8
Moneygram Haas F1 Team	7
Alfa Romeo F1 Team Stake	6
Scuderia AlphaTauri	1
Williams Racing	1

3. 2023 FIA FORMULA 1 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP™ – RULES & REGULATIONS

3.4 RULE CHANGES IN FORMULA 1 IN 2023*

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Following last season's revolutionary changes the 10 rule changes for the 2023 season include technical and sporting changes from cutting curfews to grid penalties:

1. Ride height and diffusers adjusted

With some teams encountering porpoising upon the arrival of F1's new-spec cars last year, which feature ground-effect aerodynamics, a set of floor-based flexibility and monitoring measures arrived for the second half of the 2022 season, and more have been outlined for 2023.

In short, four additional changes will come into play this year: floor edges have been raised by 15mm; the diffuser throat height has been raised; the diffuser edge stiffness has been increased; and an additional sensor has been mandated to more effectively monitor the porpoising phenomenon.

These adjustments should, in theory, make significant porpoising a thing of the past and, as such, keep the focus on the thrilling action that F1's rules reset has delivered.

2. Stronger roll hoops after Zhou's crash

Alongside the changes aimed at porpoising, there are tweaks to the safety standards for F1 car roll hoops after the frightening crash experienced by Zhou Guanyu at the start of the 2022 British Grand Prix, which involved his Alfa Romeo sliding along the track upside down.

The 2023 Technical Regulations now state that a rounded top is required on the roll hoop, which will reduce the chance of it digging into the ground during an accident, while they also ensure a minimum height for the point of application of the homologation test.

Additionally, there will be a new physical homologation test where the load pushes the roll hoop in a forward direction.

3. Revised mirrors to improve driver visibility

In an attempt to increase driver visibility, there will be a change to rear-view mirrors on F1's 2023-spec cars, with the width of the reflective surface increasing by 50mm from 150mm to 200mm.

Following tests by Red Bull and Mercedes in Hungary and Belgium respectively last season, the entire grid got involved at the Dutch Grand Prix, and the changes have now been written into the regulations.

4. Double the number of Sprint events

An exciting development for 2023 sees the number of Sprint events doubled from three to six. Azerbaijan (Baku), Austria (Red Bull Ring), Belgium (Spa-Francorchamps), Qatar (Lusail), the United States (Circuit of The Americas) and Sao Paulo (Interlagos) are the venues chosen, following on from extensive research into their suitability.

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3.4 RULE CHANGES IN FORMULA 1 IN 2023*

Meanwhile, Sprint accident damage allowance will now be a fixed amount per team, for each race weekend that includes a Sprint session. The forfeit allowance amount for each Sprint will double to \$300k from 2023 onwards, while all other Sprint damage allowances will be removed.

Alongside this, parc ferme rules on Sprint weekends are under review for 2023, with the aim of simplifying the set-up-locking process, after the FIA cited a “significant increase in parc ferme requests” between Friday’s qualifying session and Saturday’s Sprint.

5. Paddock working hours cut

The number of hours worked by F1 team members across race weekends will be reduced in upcoming seasons, with the third of three restricted periods (effective on Fridays) beginning an hour earlier this year, and another hour set to be knocked off in 2024.

To complement the move, the number of curfews permitted for the first (Wednesday) and second (Thursday) restricted periods will also be cut in half, from eight to four and six to three respectively, again with another cut planned for next year.

6. Qualifying format and DRS trials

A ‘Revised Qualifying Format’ (RQF) will take place at up to two events in 2023 “for the purpose of evaluating whether the revisions are suitable for subsequent championships” – as per the updated regulations.

This will see tyre compounds mandated for each stage of F1’s usual three-part qualifying session: hard tyres only in Q1; mediums tyres only in Q2; and, finally, soft tyres only in Q3. Intermediates and wets will be allowed if the RQF sessions are declared wet.

At RQF events, each driver may use no more than 11 sets of dry-weather tyres, four sets of intermediate tyres and three sets of wet-weather tyres. This compares to the normal weekend allowance of 13 sets of dry-weather tyres, four sets of intermediate tyres and three sets of wet-weather tyres.

As for DRS, its activation after the start, race restart or Safety Car restart will also be evaluated, with the F1 Commission exploring the possibility of bringing this forward by one lap at the start of a race or Sprint or Safety Car restart.

“This will be trialled during each Sprint session in 2023 with a view to introducing it for all races in 2024,” the FIA have stated.

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3.4 RULE CHANGES IN FORMULA 1 IN 2023*

7. Tweaks around gearbox changes

While changes to teams’ homologated gearboxes were only previously permitted “to resolve reliability problems” or “for cost saving, at the start of each season”, modifications are now permitted “in the case of materials, processes or proprietary parts becoming unavailable”.

Nonetheless, clear documentation justifying the change must be provided in all cases, prior approval must be obtained from the FIA, and the modification must not give any performance advantage. A summary of the modification will then be circulated to all teams by the FIA.

8. A move to clear up penalty confusion

Grid penalties came under the spotlight at last year’s Italian Grand Prix, where a host of drivers took power unit and gearbox related drops and turned the order on its head. Following some confusion over how these were applied, the wording of the regulations has been updated.

The relevant section now reads: “Classified drivers who have accrued more than 15 cumulative grid position penalties, or who have been penalised to start at the back of the grid, will start behind any other classified driver. Their relative position will be determined in accordance with their qualifying classification.”

9. More flexibility to cool fuel

A small change on paper could have an impact on reliability in 2023, particularly at hotter races, with some extra freedom being given to teams regarding the cooling of fuel.

For 2023, fuel in a car must not be colder than the lowest of either 10 degrees centigrade below ambient temperature, or 10 degrees centigrade (this being cut from 20 degrees), at any time when the car is running after leaving the competitor’s designated garage area.

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3. 2023 FIA FORMULA 1 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP™

3.5 POINTS & CLASSIFICATION, SPRINT EVENTS *

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:

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Points	25	18	15	12	10	8	6	4	2	1
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Bonus points

The driver who records the fastest lap of the race will get one bonus point. However, the driver must also finish in the top 10 in order to qualify for the point. This is to stop all the drivers outside the top 10 pitting for fresh tyres in the last few laps in an effort to set a fastest lap, which would compromise the integrity of the race.

Sprint Events

Formula 1 introduces six F1 Sprint events, with the number of events doubling from three staged in 2021 and 2022.

The F1 Sprint schedule sees the standard one-hour qualifying session shifted to Friday, setting the grid for the 17 laps or 60 minutes sprint race dash on Saturday, which in turn sorts the starting order for Sunday’s main event.

The F1 Sprints will be held in Azerbaijan (Baku City Circuit), Austria (Red Bull Ring), Belgium (Spa-Francorchamps), Qatar (Lusail Circuit), the United States (Circuit of The Americas) and Sao Paulo (Interlagos).

Interlagos continues as a Sprint venue after playing host in 2021 and 2022, while the Red Bull Ring also featured the revised format last season. Silverstone, Monza and Imola are the other venues to have hosted Sprints in the past.

The 2023 selection came following research into the most suitable tracks for the format, including overtaking opportunities, close racing and high-speed sections – and is designed to ensure competitive on-track action across all three days of the selected Grand Prix weekends.

F1's financial regulations have also been tweaked, as the sport's governing body the FIA announced the teams' cost cap allowance for each Sprint will double from next year onwards, from \$150,000 to \$300,000 – though there will no longer be any further allowance for accident damage sustained in the Sprint events.

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3. 2023 FIA FORMULA 1 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP™

3.5 POINTS & CLASSIFICATION, SPRINT EVENTS *

Formula 1 President and CEO Stefano Domenicali welcomed the increase from three to six events for next year. “We have seen a hugely positive reaction to the F1 Sprint events during the first two years of its running, and we can’t wait to bring even more action to fans with six events next year, including our first US F1 Sprint in Austin,” he said.

“The introduction of the F1 Sprint has created a race weekend that includes three days of competitive racing action and brings more entertainment to fans of the sport as well as additional value for key stakeholders including teams, broadcasters, partners, and host venues.”

Mohammed Ben Sulayem, President of the FIA added: “Following strong collaboration between the FIA and FOM, and the approval of the World Motor Sport Council, we are pleased to reveal the six events for Sprints for the 2023 season. We look forward to this exciting addition to the calendar.”

Grand Prix	Circuit	Date
Azerbaijan	Baku City Circuit	April 28 - 30
Austria	Red Bull Ring	June 30 – July 2
Belgium	Spa-Francorchamps	July 28 – 30
Qatar	Lusail Circuit	October 06 – 08
United States	Circuit of The Americas	October 20 – 22
Sao Paulo	Interlagos	November 3 -5

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Formula 1 Debut	2005	Chassis	RB19
Constructors' Titles	5	Motor	Red Bull Powertrains
GP Starts	354		
GP Wins	95		
Fastest Laps	86		
Pole Positions	84	Total Points	6511

MAX VERSTAPPEN

1



Date of Birth	30/09/1997
Formula 1 Debut	2014
GP Starts	166
GP Wins	37
Pole Positions	22
Podiums	78
F1 Titles	2
Total F1 Points	2081.5

SERGIO PEREZ

11



Date of Birth	26/01/1990
Formula 1 Debut	2011
GP Starts	242
GP Wins	5
Pole Positions	2
Podiums	27
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	1255

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Formula 1 Debut	1950	Chassis	SF-23
Constructors' Titles	16	Power Unit	Ferrari
GP Starts	1057		
GP Wins	242		
Fastest Lap	259		
Pole Positions	242	Total Points	9292



CHARLES LECLERC
16



Date of Birth	16/10/1997
Formula 1 Debut	2018
GP Starts	105
GP Wins	5
Pole Positions	18
Podiums	24
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	874



CARLOS SAINZ
55



Date of Birth	01/09/1994
Formula 1 Debut	2015
GP Starts	165
GP Wins	1
Pole Positions	3
Podiums	15
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	802.5

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Formula 1 Debut	1954	Chassis	Mercedes-AMG F1 W14 E Performance
Constructors' Titles	8	Power Unit	Mercedes-AMG F1 M14 E Performance
GP Starts	277		
GP Wins	125		
Fastest Laps	100		
Pole Positions	136	Total Points	6869.5



LEWIS HAMILTON
44



GEORGE RUSSELL
63



Date of Birth 07/01/1985
Formula 1 Debut 2007
GP Starts 312
GP Wins 103
Pole Positions 103
Podiums 192
F1 Titles 7
Total F1 Points 4443.5

Date of Birth 15/02/1998
Formula 1 Debut 2019
GP Starts 85
GP Wins 1
Pole Positions 1
Podiums 9
F1 Titles N/A
Total F1 Points 312

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Formula 1 Debut	2021	Chassis	A523
Constructors' Titles	N/A	Motor	Renault E-Tech RE23
GP Starts	50		
GP Wins	1		
Fastest Laps	N/A		
Pole Positions	N/A	Total Points	336



PIERRE GASLY

10



Date of Birth	07/02/1996
Formula 1 Debut	2017
GP Starts	111
GP Wins	1
Pole Positions	N/A
Podiums	3
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	336



ESTEBAN OCON

31



Date of Birth	17/09/1996
Formula 1 Debut	2016
GP Starts	114
GP Wins	1
Pole Positions	N/A
Podiums	2
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	368

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Formula 1 Debut	1966	Chassis	MCL60
Constructors' Titles	8	Motor	Mercedes-AMG F1 M14 E Performance
GP Starts	930		
GP Wins	183		
Fastest Laps	161		
Pole Positions	156	Total Points	6001.5



LANDO NORRIS
04



OSCAR PIASTR
81



Date of Birth 13/11/1999
Formula 1 Debut 2019
GP Starts 85
GP Wins N/A
Pole Positions 1
Podiums 6
F1 Titles N/A
Total F1 Points 436

Date of Birth 06/04/2001
Formula 1 Debut 2023
GP Starts 3
GP Wins N/A
Pole Positions N/A
Podiums N/A
F1 Titles N/A
Total F1 Points 4

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Formula 1 Debut	1993	Chassis	C43
Constructors' Titles	N/A	Motor	Ferrari 066/10
GP Starts	536		
GP Wins	1		
Fastest Laps	7		
Pole Positions	1	Total Points	1004



VALTTERI BOTTAS
77



Date of Birth	28/08/1989
Formula 1 Debut	2013
GP Starts	203
GP Wins	10
Pole Positions	20
Podiums	67
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	1791



ZHOU GUANYU
24



Date of Birth	30/05/1999
Formula 1 Debut	2022
GP Starts	25
GP Wins	N/A
Pole Positions	N/A
Podiums	N/A
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	8

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Formula 1 Debut	1959	Chassis	AMR23
Constructors' Titles	N/A	Motor	Mercedes
GP Starts	55		
GP Wins	0		
Fastest Laps	N/A		
Pole Positions	0	Total Points	197



FERNANDO ALONSO
14



LANCE STROLL
18



Date of Birth	29/07/1981
Formula 1 Debut	2001
GP Starts	358
GP Wins	32
Pole Positions	22
Podiums	101
F1 Titles	2
Total F1 Points	2106

Date of Birth	29/10/1998
Formula 1 Debut	2017
GP Starts	125
GP Wins	N/A
Pole Positions	1
Podiums	3
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	214

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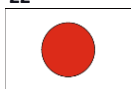
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Formula 1 Debut	2006	Chassis	AT04
Constructors' Titles	N/A	Motor	Honda RBPT
GP Starts	335		
GP Wins	2		
Podiums	5		
Fastest Laps	2		
Pole Positions	1	Total Points	785



YUKI TSUNODA
22



Date of Birth	11/05/2000
Formula 1 Debut	2021
GP Starts	45
GP Wins	N/A
Pole Positions	N/A
Podiums	N/A
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	45



NYCK DE VRIES
21



Date of Birth	06/02/1995
Formula 1 Debut	2022
GP Starts	4
GP Wins	N/A
Pole Positions	N/A
Podiums	N/A
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	2

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Formula 1 Debut	1977	Chassis	FW45
Constructors' Titles	9	Power Unit	Mercedes F1 M14 E Performance
GP Starts	798		
GP Wins	114		
Fastest Laps	133		
Pole Positions	128	Total Points	3587



ALEXANDER ALBON
23



Date of Birth	23/03/1996
Formula 1 Debut	2019
GP Starts	62
GP Wins	N/A
Pole Positions	N/A
Podiums	2
F1 Titles	N/A
Total F1 Points	202



LOGAN SARGEANT
02



Date of Birth	31/12/2001
Formula 1 Debut	2023
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 2016 **Chassis** Haas VF-23
Constructors' Titles N/A **Motor** Ferrari
GP Starts 152
GP Wins N/A
Fastest Laps 2
Pole Positions 1 **Total Points** 245



KEVIN MAGNUSSEN
 47



Date of Birth 05/10/1992
Formula 1 Debut 2014
GP Starts 145
GP Wins N/A
Pole Positions 1
Podiums 1
F1 Titles N/A
Total F1 Points 184



NICO HÜLKENBERG
 27



Date of Birth 19/08/1987
Formula 1 Debut 2010
GP Starts 188
GP Wins N/A
Pole Positions 1
Podiums N/A
F1 Titles N/A
Total F1 Points 527

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5. SUPPORT RACES

FIA FORMULA 2 CHAMPIONSHIP™

5.1 INTRODUCTION

2023 marks the seventh year of the Formula 2 Championship™. It has proved to be the chief feeder series to Formula 1, having produced ready-made talent for F1 with Charles Leclerc, George Russell, Lando Norris, Alexander Albon, Yuki Tsunoda, Guanyu Zhou, Nyck De Vries, Oscar Piastri and Logan Sargent all having made the step up.

Racing on F1 weekends, the series provides the drivers with the opportunity to showcase their talents in front of F1 teams, competing on some of the most challenging and renowned circuits in the world.

It is a one-make championship consisting of 22 identical cars. The chassis are designed by Dallara Automobili, and since 2018 has run the F2 2018 chassis. The power base is a Mecachrome-assembled 3.4L turbocharged V6.

Being the ultimate breeding ground for young racing talent, the series requires a very specific set of regulations, which balance out the competitiveness of the Championship, the financial restrictions of teams and drivers as well as the wow factor for the audience, when they follow the action. There are five core values at the heart of the FIA Formula 2 Championship to guarantee proposed changes and modifications fit in with these five values:

Performance - F2 is the only junior Formula in the world which can get close to the performance levels of Formula 1. The lap times are competitive with the final few rows on the F1 grid thanks to our turbocharged engines, which produce 620bhp. The switch to 18-inch tyres a year ahead of F1 will also ensure the competitiveness of the Championship in the future.

Cost Control - The series aims to produce drivers who are readymade for F1. To achieve this the fastest and most competitive young racers on the planet are required, regardless of any financial restrictions they may have. This makes cost effectiveness key. Operating at around 2% of the cost of running an F1 team, the series always tries to reach the perfect blend of budget control and performance.

This has been achieved by centralised purchasing, strict limits on team personal and testing and an outright ban on individual developments costs. Any modifications made are produced with an eye on how they will affect the price structure for the teams.

Entertainment - F2 is the most exciting and competitive single-make championship in the world. Racing on the same tracks and the same weekends as F1, the Championship never fails to enthrall and entertain, with three races per weekend, reverse grids, compulsory pitstops, Prime and Option tyres and 22 identical cars on display.

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5.1 INTRODUCTION CONTINUED

Safety - Racing at speeds very close to F1, safety is of paramount importance to F2. The car has been designed to strict F1 safety standards and submitted to stringent FIA crash tests. The cars include the Titanium Halo head protection system used in F1 and anti-intrusion panels, while wearing the HANS device is compulsory for drivers. The championship puts its commitment to safety ahead of all other considerations.

Preparation - In the history of F1, no feeder category had been as successful as the GP2 series, which meant that F2 had big shoes to fill. However, it also means that we are experts in our field and in the four seasons of the Championship so far, no fewer than eight drivers have made the step up to the top tier of motorsport.

Alongside the FIA, who have run the Formula 1 Championship for its entire history, we know how to prepare drivers for the rigours and demands of F1. In 2019, half of the grid was made up of graduates from either GP2 or F2, including seven-time F1 World Champion Lewis Hamilton. There is no finer testament to the benefit of the training we provide to young drivers than that.

REGULATIONS

Tyre allocation - The sporting regulations state that each driver will be allocated five sets of dry-weather tyres per weekend. They will have three “prime” specification sets and two of the “option” specification. Each driver will also be provided with three sets of wet-weather tyres.

DRS - The drivers are able to use the Drag Reduction System (DRS) as they wish within the designated DRS zones during free practice and qualifying. During both races however, the drivers will only be allowed to activate DRS within the designated zones when they are within less than a second of the car in front at the detection point.

During the race, the DRS is available for use after two laps unless decided otherwise by the race director due to poor weather conditions or yellow flags in the designated DRS zones.

The DRS zones will be the same as the ones used in Formula One on every circuit of the calendar.

The same safety rules apply: the DRS is disabled at the end of the designated zones, and the first time the driver uses the brakes after activation. No individual developments or upgrades are permitted in the series, and all spare parts must be purchased directly from the F2 championship organisers. Repairs of structural components must be carried out by Dallara in order to ensure integrity.

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5.2 CAR SPECIFICATIONS

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- Overall height: 1097 mm (including FOM roll hoop camera)
- Wheelbase: 3135 mm
- 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.
- Rebuild after 8000 km.
- Maximum Torque 570 Nm @ 6000 rpm.

Performance

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

Safety standards

- Full FIA F1 2017 safety standards.
- Titanium Halo F1 specification.

Monocoque and Bodywork

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

DRS

- Same functionality of DRS used in Formula One.
- 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.

Fuel cell

- FIA Standard.
- Premier FT5 125 litres.

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5.2 CAR SPECIFICATIONS CONTINUED

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 & Marshalling 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 callipers.
- Carbone Industry carbon-carbon brake discs and pads.

Wheels and tyres

- New 18 inches rims introduced in 2020.
- O.Z. Racing magnesium rims.
- 18" x 12" front wheel dimension.
- 18" x 13.7" rear wheel dimension.
- F2 specific Pirelli slick / wet tyres.
- TPMS (Tyre Pressure Monitoring System).

Steering system

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

Camera equipment

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

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5.3 CALENDAR & WEEKEND FORMAT

CALENDAR

03 – 05 March	Sakhir	Bahrain
17 – 19 March	Jeddah	Saudi Arabia
31 – 02 April	Melbourne	Australia
28 – 30 April	Baku	Azerbaijan
19 – 21 May	Imola	Italy
25 – 28 May	Monte Carlo	Monaco
02 – 04 June	Barcelona	Spain
30 Jun – 02 July	Spielberg	Austria
07– 09 July	Silverstone	Great Britain
21 – 23 July	Budapest	Hungary
28 – 30 July	Spa	Belgium
25 - 27 Aug	Zandvoort	Netherlands
01 – 03 Sept	Monza	Italy
24 – 26 Nov	Yas Island	Abu Dhabi

WEEKEND FORMAT & POINTS ALLOCATION

The Friday sessions are composed of one free 45 minutes practice session and 30 minutes qualifying session.

The F2 Sprint race takes place on Saturday afternoon and consist of 21 laps or 45 minutes + 1 lap - whichever comes first.

The Feature Race now takes place on Sunday morning ahead of the Formula 1 Grand Prix. It will still be 60 minutes + 1 lap or 29 laps (whichever comes first). The race includes a compulsory pitstop, in which all four tyres must be changed. Unless the driver has used wet-weather tyres during the Feature Race, they must use at least one set of each specification of dry-weather tyres during the Feature Race.

Starting grids - With two races and only one Qualifying session taking place per event, the results of the Friday's final classification of the Qualifying session will determine the starting grid for the Sunday Feature Race.

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5. SUPPORT RACE

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WEEKEND FORMAT & POINTS ALLOCATIONS

The results of the final classification of Friday's Qualifying session will determine the starting grid for Sunday's Feature Race.

The starting grid of Saturday's Sprint Race will be determined by reversing the top 10 finishers of Friday's Qualifying session results.

Points attribution - The driver who takes pole position following the final classification of Friday's Qualifying session will be awarded with two points.

For the Sprint Race, the top eight classified drivers will be awarded 10, 8, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2 and 1 points respectively. For the Feature Race, the top 10 finishers will score 25, 18, 15, 12, 10, 8, 6, 4, 2 and 1 points respectively.

In each race, one point will be awarded to the driver who achieves the fastest lap time, providing he was in the top 10 positions of the final race classification. No points will be awarded if the fastest lap time is achieved by a driver who was classified outside the top ten positions.

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5.4 ENTRY LIST

#	DRIVER	NATIONALITY	TEAM
1	Dennis Hauger	NOR	MP Motorsport
2	Jehan Daruvala	IND	MP Motorsport
3	Zane Maloney	BRB	Rodin Carlin
4	Enzo Fittipaldi	BRZ	Rodin Carlin
5	Théo Pourchaire	FRA	Art Grand Prix
6	Victor Martins	FRA	Art Grand Prix
7	Frederik Vesti	DEN	Prema Racing
8	Oliver Bearman	GBR	Prema Racing
9	Jak Crawford	USA	Hitech Pulse-Eight
10	Isack Hadjar	FRA	Hitech Pulse-Eight
11	Arthur Leclerc	MCO	Dams
12	Ayumu Iwasa	JAP	Dams
14	Jack Doohan	AUS	Virtuosi Racing
15	Amaury Cordeel	BEL	Virtuosi Racing
16	Roy Nissany	ISR	PHM Racing By Charouz
17	Brad Benavides	USA	PHM Racing By Charouz
20	Roman Stanek	CZE	Trident
21	Clément Novalak	FRA	Trident
22	Richard Verschoor	NLD	Van Amersfoort Racing
23	Juan Manuel Correa	USA	Van Amersfoort Racing
24	Kush Maini	IND	Campos Racing
25	Ralph Boschung	CHE	Campos Racing

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