

STREET DEBUT FOR MICHELIN® PILOT® SPORT® GT S8M COMMERCIAL SLICKS



IMSA DPi teams will have had experience with Michelin's semi-confidential IMSA Medium compound on the streets of Long Beach. But IMSA GTD teams will take to Detroit's street course on the commercial MICHELIN® Pilot® Sport® GT S8M slicks for the first time at Friday morning practice.

"Long Beach gives us a head start for prototype at Detroit," said Ken Payne, Technical Director, Motorsport, Michelin North America. "But GTD will be a bit more of a challenge because it's starting from scratch."

"We'll have learned a bit from the semi-confidential product prototype range to the commercial range GTD at Detroit. It'll be a steep learning curve for the first time in ages. For the bulk of our team supporting the race, the majority won't have been to the street race at Detroit before."

MICHELIN IMSA RACE TIRE EXPERIENCE

LOCATION

To access the Michelin Tire Workshop, walk over the Chevrolet Front Stretch or the Autotrader Bridges into the Fifth Third Bank Paddock. The Michelin Tire Workshop will be near the fountain.

LISTEN

Guests can access the tour wirelessly on their own earbuds to follow the narrative by IMSA Radio's John Hindhaugh as they tour at their own pace.

CONNECT

Connect to Wi-Fi via the Michelin Tire Tour Wi-Fi spot on your smartphone. A pop-up page will come up with an option to click: "Got your Earbuds? Start the Tour."



IMSA ON NBC SPORTS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, June 1

- Chevrolet Sports Car Classic, The Raceway on Belle Isle Park, 12:30pm (EDT) NBCSN

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- Sirius 138, XM 202, SiriusXM Online 972



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OFFICIAL TIRE



Michelin is giving away 50 sets of tires to fans this year to recognize and pay tribute to IMSA's 50th anniversary season in 2019. To enter for a chance to win, scan the code:



EVENT CARD



Chevrolet Sports Car Classic

OFFICIAL TIRE



**FRIDAY,
MAY 31 –
SATURDAY,
JUNE 1,
2019**

ROUND 5

IMSA WEATHERTECH
SPORTSCAR CHAMPIONSHIP

DETROIT, MICHIGAN



THE CIRCUIT

Belle Isle Street Course



14 TURNS	2.3 MILES	982 ACRES	2 CLASSES
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IMSA TIRE ALLOCATIONS:

IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship	
DPI	9 Sets – IMSA Medium
GTD	6 Sets – MICHELIN® Pilot® Sport® GT S8M

2018 POLESITTERS

DPI Pipo Derani, 1:22.273, No. 22 Patron ESM Nissan DPi

GTD Bryan Sellers, 1:28.942, No. 48 Paul Miller Racing Lamborghini Huracan GT3

2018 WINNERS

DPI Felipe Nasr, Eric Curran, No. 31 Whelen Engineering Racing Cadillac DPi-V.R

GTD Katherine Legge, Mario Farnbacher, No. 86 Meyer Shank Racing Acura NSX GT3

2018 FASTEST RACE LAPS

DPI Felipe Nasr, 1:21.637, No. 31 Whelen Engineering Racing Cadillac DPi-V.R

GTD Bernd Schneider, 1:29.023, No. 75 SunEnergy1 Racing Mercedes-AMG GT3

2018 EVENT MAXIMUM SPEEDS

DPI Ricky Taylor, 158.468mph, No. 7 Acura Team Penske Acura ARX-05

GTD Kyle Marcelli, 143.253mph, No. 14 3GT Racing Lexus RC F GT3

FRIDAY, MAY 31

8:30-10:00am	Practice #1
12:40-2:30pm	Practice #2
5:20-6:00pm	Qualifying

SATURDAY, JUNE 1

10:15-11:00am	Autograph Session
11:45-12:40pm	Pre-Race and Formation Laps
12:40-2:20pm	Chevrolet Sports Car Classic Race

STARTING FROM SCRATCH

The last time Michelin raced on Belle Isle Park in Detroit was in 2008. This means this year's Detroit race will mark a fresh start for all involved.

"We have no history with our current generation of tires to go by in Detroit. So, we start from scratch. That's the biggest angle," said Ken Payne, Technical Director, Motorsport, Michelin North America.

"We might as well consider that we've never been here. They are new cars and a completely different generation of tires from when we were last here."

"The temperatures are all over the road map. It'll be one where we're paying attention to data as we gather it in real time, and figuring out adjustments and where they need to go on cambers and pressures."

"It's a brand-new race for us. We get fairly limited track time sprinkled throughout the day, so the time of day for practice and qualifying might not be as relevant to the race."



2018 RACE

WEATHERTECH SCHEDULE