

MICHELIN, IMSA AND MONTEREY CAR WEEK

Four cars with significant ties to Michelin's IMSA history were featured at the Rolex Monterey Motorsports
Reunion at the Michelin display. The event highlighted
IMSA as the featured marque for its 50-year anniversary.

The cars included the current Ford GT, the 2015 Porsche 911 RSR, the 2012-13 Muscle Milk Pickett Racing HPD ARX-03a and the 2004 Corvette C5-R.

Ford's 2016 win at Monterey marked the first worldwide for the new GT. Michelin and Ford have worked together throughout the car's development, with more than a dozen wins and a manufacturer's championship.

The Porsche delivered one of IMSA's greatest giant-killing acts, winning overall using MICHELIN® wet weather tires at the 2015 Petit Le Mans. Of the overall win, Patrick Pilet said "Before the race, it was never the goal. But we had the chance to get our MICHELIN tires working perfectly with the 911, and did so. The bonus was the overall win."

The Muscle Milk HPD made waves in street course races using Michelin's "street softs" at Long Beach.

Lastly the Corvette C5-R made the switch to Michelin ahead of 2004. The performance gains found helped launch a fruitful, 15-plus-year relationship that continues to this day.



IMSA ON NBC SPORTS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, Sept. 15

Monterey Grand Prix, WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca, 12:00pm (PDT) NBC



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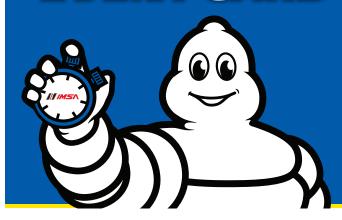


Michelin is giving away 50 sets of tires to fans this year to recognize and pay tribute to IMSA's 50th anniversary season in 2019. To enter for a chance to win, scan the code:





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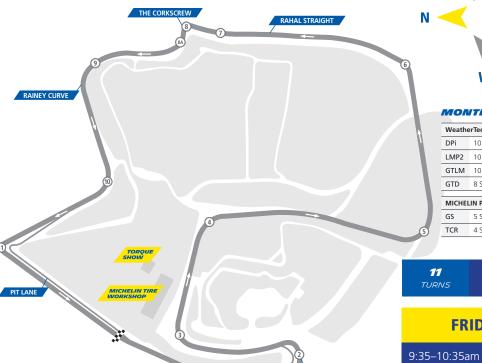


Monterey SportsCar Championships Powered by McLaren



THE CIRCUIT

WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca





MONTEREY TIRE ALLOCATIONS:

WeatherTech SportsCar Championship		
DPi	10 Sets – IMSA Hard	
LMP2	10 Sets – IMSA Hard	
GTLM	10 Sets – GTLM Range	
GTD	8 Sets – MICHELIN® Pilot® Sport GT S8M	
MICHELIN Pilot Challenge		
GS	5 Sets – MICHELIN® Pilot® Sport GT S8M	
TCR	4 Sets – MICHELIN® Pilot® Sport GT S9M	

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2.238 MILES

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

MICHELIN Pilot Practice

10:55–12:10pm	WeatherTech Championship Practice
2:10–2:55pm	MICHELIN Pilot Practice
3:15–4:15pm	WeatherTech Championship Practice

2018 POLESITTERS

Jordan Taylor, 1:16:181, No. 10 Konica Minolta Cadillac DPi-VR

Oliver Gavin, 1:22:700, No. 4 Corvette C7.R

Katherine Legge, 1:24:456, No. 86 Meyer Shank Acura NSX GT3

Jesse Lazare, 1:32:803, No. 69 MIA McLaren 570S GT4

Tom O'Gorman, 1:34:044, No. 12 eEuroparts.com Audi RS3 LMS TCR

2018 WINNERS

Pipo Derani, Johannes van Overbeek, No. 22 Extreme Speed Nissan DPi

Alexander Sims, Connor De Phillippi, No. 25 BMW M8 GTE

Katherine Legge, Alvaro Parente, No. 86 Mever Shank Acura NSX GT3

Owen Trinkler, Hugh Plumb, No. 46 TGM Mercedes-AMG GT4

Britt Casey Jr., Tom Long, No. 77 Compass Audi RS3 LMS TCR

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

8:45-9:45am WeatherTech Championship Race

10:05–10:20am MICHELIN Pilot Practice

10:30–11:05am MICHELIN Pilot Qualifying

12:40-1:45pm WeatherTech Championship Qualifying

3:05-5:05pm MICHELIN Pilot Race

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

8:00-8:20am WeatherTech Championship Warm-Up 12:05-2:45pm WeatherTech Championship Race

THE GREAT CHASE

Grip is at a premium at IMSA's second California race of the year in Monterey. With a weathered track surface and regularly blowing sand on the track, the pavement at WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca presents a consistent tire challenge.

"It is one of those tracks that has no grip, but wears tires!" says Ken Payne, technical director, motorsport, Michelin North America.

"We understand the psyche of the track, if you will. You can really piece it together from all the other places we've gone.

"The biggest variable is the temperatures. It could be cool or hot, and that combined with the weathered pavement can make for some remarkably low grip situations."

Last year, Michelin engineers recorded ambient temperatures of 66 degrees and 91 degrees track for the race start.

For this race, in coordination with IMSA, Michelin will use the IMSA Hard tire for DPi/LMP2 and the commercial S8M (medium) compound tire for GT Daytona and IMSA MICHELIN Pilot Challenge GS classes.

The IMSA Medium and S8M tires ran through Detroit, before the introduction of the IMSA Hard for DPi/LMP2 and commercial S9M (hard) for GTD and GS at Watkins Glen.

