

ROUND 7 BUDAPEST HUNGARY



ALL TIMES LOCAL GMT +2

FRIDAY
24 JULY

09:55
Practice Session
45 min..

15:00
Qualifying Session
30 min.

18:10
Press Conference

SATURDAY
25 JULY

10:00
Sprint Race

19 Laps >> 83.199 KM
40 min. +1 Lap

Grid set by reversing Top 12
of Qualifying Results

11:10
Press Conference

SUNDAY
26 JULY

08:40
Feature Race

24 Laps >> 105.104 KM
45 min. +1 Lap

Grid set by
Qualifying Results

09:50
Press Conference

WHAT TO EXPECT

Budapest is the venue for Round 7 of the 2026 FIA Formula 3 season, the final race weekend before the summer break.

As things stand, just one point separates Ugo Ugochukwu and Freddie Slater in the Drivers' Championship, as the two prepare to go head-to-head at the Hungaroring.

But they will also expect competition from their other 28 rivals, and as we get set to hit the track, here is everything you need to know about our trip to Hungary.

The weekend's action kicks off on Friday morning with a 45-minute Free Practice session at 09:55 local time.

Later in the day, the drivers will be back out on track for Qualifying at 15:00 local time.

That 30-minute Pole Position shootout sets the grid for both races, the first of which is a Sprint on Saturday morning. Lights out is at 10:05 local time.

The drivers get one more chance to claim victory at the Hungaroring on Sunday morning in the Feature Race at 08:40 local time.

FROM THE GRID

Tuukka TAPONEN
MP Motorsport



"I think it's one of the most difficult tracks on the calendar because it has many corners and it's also pretty hot when we are there. So, when you have that many corners and it's hot, it's very tough to complete a good lap.

"Turn 1 and Turn 2 are where you have the main chances to overtake, but you don't have many opportunities because it's quite difficult to follow.

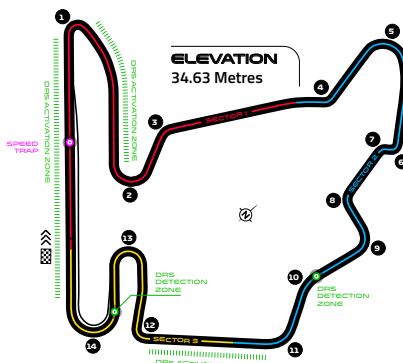
"The heat makes it quite difficult to handle the tyres because you need to keep them quite cool but you cannot because it's so hot and you have many corners."

TRACK DATAS Hungaroring

4.381 KM Start/Finish
Offset - 0.040 km

LAP RECORD
1:31.091 (173.141 KM/H)
Zak O'Sullivan (PREMA Racing) in 2023

2025 POLE POSITION
1:32.510 (170.485 KM/H)
Rafael Câmara (TRIDENT)



COMPOUND ALLOCATION



MAXIMUM SPEED SPEED TRAP
261.6 KM/H
David Beckmann (TRIDENT)
in 2020 Race 1

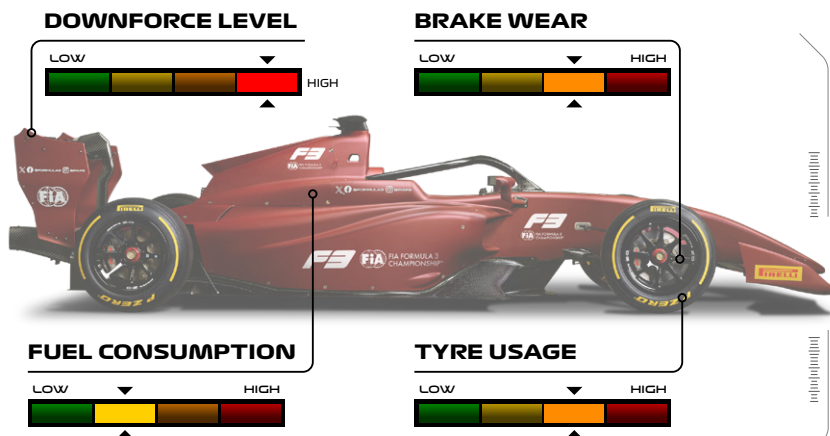
TYRE TALK

The Medium compound has been selected for the Hungarian Grand Prix weekend.

On the short and twisty Budapest circuit, temperatures will once again be the key factor influencing tyre behaviour. If they are not particularly high, the tyres could suffer from graining and drivers would therefore be forced to manage them carefully in order to maintain a good pace until the end of the race. Traditionally, however, the Hungarian round is one of the hottest of the season. In this scenario, thermal degradation could represent the main factor affecting performance. At the Hungaroring, the most stressed axle is the rear due to the numerous traction phases. Greater attention will therefore be focused on the rear tyres which, if not subjected to excessive stress, could provide some drivers with a strategic advantage over their rivals.



TECH INFOS



PIERRE-ALAIN MICHOT

FIA Formula 3 Technical Director

"Downforce is one of the big keys to the Hungaroring as it is a circuit that is made up primarily of corners, meaning it is often compared to a karting track.

"This also means that the drivers will be eager to find space during Qualifying with clean air incredibly important. This will also be the case in the races where degradation will be quite high. So the drivers that manage their tyres the

best will be the ones that have success, and the ones that push too much early on could have trouble towards the end."



STAT PACK



Hitech driver Jin Nakamura's victory in the Spa-Francorchamps Sprint Race means that eight out of the 10 teams have won at least once this season.

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Campos Racing are the only team to have won more than one race this season – having achieved five victories.



No driver on the current grid has won an F3 race in Budapest – although Ugo Ugochukwu and Tuukka Taponen have finished on the podium.

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Pole Position has been converted into Feature Race victory in three of Formula 3's last four visits to Budapest.

2026 ENTRY LIST

ON-BOARD CAMERAS

	Campos Racing		1 Théophile NAËL FRA 19 y/o	NAE	
			2 Ugo UGOCHUKWU USA 19 y/o	UGO	
			3 Ernesto RIVERA MEX 17 y/o ROOKIE	RIV	
	TRIDENT		4 Noah STRØMSTED DEN 18 y/o	STR	
			5 Freddie SLATER GBR 17 y/o ROOKIE	SLA	
			6 Matteo DE PALO ITA 18 y/o ROOKIE	DEP	
	MP Motorsport		7 Mattia COLNAGHI ARG 17 y/o ROOKIE	COL	
			8 Tuukka TAPONEN FIN 19 y/o	TAP	
			9 Alessandro GIUSTI FRA 19 y/o	GIU	
	ART Grand Prix		10 Taito KATO JPN 18 y/o ROOKIE	KAT	
			11 Maciej GŁADYSZ POL 18 y/o ROOKIE	GLA	
			12 Kanato LE JPN 19 y/o ROOKIE	KLE	
	Van Amersfoort Racing		14 Hiyu YAMAKOSHI JPN 19 y/o ROOKIE	YAM	
			15 Enzo DELIGNY FRA 18 y/o ROOKIE	EDE	
			16 Bruno DEL PINO ESP 20 y/o	BDE	
	Rodin Motorsport		17 Pedro CLEROT BRA 19 y/o ROOKIE	CLE	
			18 Brando BADOER ITA 19 y/o	BAD	
			19 Christian HO SGP 19 y/o	CHO	
	PREMA Racing		20 Louis SHARP NZL 19 y/o	SHA	
			21 James WHARTON AUS 20 y/o	WHA	
			22 José GARFIAS MEX 21 y/o ROOKIE	GAR	
	Hitech		23 Woohyun SHIN KOR 19 y/o	SHI	
			24 Fionn McLAUGHLIN IRL 18 y/o ROOKIE	MCL	
			25 Jin NAKAMURA JPN 20 y/o ROOKIE	NAK	
	AIX Racing		26 Salim HANNA COL 16 y/o ROOKIE	HAN	
			27 Yevan DAVID SRI 19 y/o ROOKIE	DAV	
			28 Fernando BARRICHELLO BRA 20 y/o ROOKIE	BAR	
	DAMS Lucas Oil		29 Nicola LACORTE ITA 19 y/o	LAC	
			30 Nandhavud BHIROMBHAKDI THA 20 y/o ROOKIE	BHI	
			31 Gerrard XIE CHN 19 y/o	XIE	

2026 STANDINGS

DRIVER STANDINGS

POS.	DRIVER	SPRINT	FEATURE	PTS	SHUFFLE
1.	Ugo Ugochukwu	1	1	104	=
2.	Freddie Slater ROOKIE			103	=
3.	Théophile Naël		1	65	=
4.	Noah Strømsted		1	59	=
5.	Ernesto Rivera R	1	1	56	+6
6.	Maciej Gładysz R		1	54	=
7.	Hiyu Yamakoshi R			54	+2
8.	Brando Badoer		1	50	-1
9.	Bruno Del Pino	1		49	-4
10.	Pedro Clerot R			48	-2
11.	Taito Kato R			45	-1
12.	Jin Nakamura R	1		39	+1
13.	Enzo Deligny			28	-1
14.	Tuukka Taponen			28	+2
15.	Gerrard Xie	1		20	-1
16.	Mattia Colnaghi R			20	+9
17.	James Wharton	1		19	-2
18.	Alessandro Giusti			17	+1
19.	Louis Sharp			17	-2
20.	Yevan David R			15	-2
21.	Kanato Le R			11	-1
22.	Matteo De Palo R			7	-1
23.	Brad Benavides			6	-1
24.	Nicola Lacorte			2	-1
25.	Fionn McLaughlin R			2	-1
26.	José Garfias R			1	=
27.	Christian Ho			0	+1
28.	Nandhavud Bhirombhakdi R			0	-1
29.	Fernando Barrichello R			0	=
30.	Patrick Heuzenroeder R			0	=
31.	Woohyun Shin			0	=
32.	Salim Hanna R			0	=
33.	Ricardo Escotto R			0	=

TEAM STANDINGS

POS.	TEAM	SPRINT	FEATURE	PTS	SHUFFLE
1.	Campos Racing	2	3	225	=
2.	TRIDENT		1	169	=
3.	Van Amersfoort Racing	1		131	=
4.	ART Grand Prix		1	110	=
5.	Rodin Motorsport		1	98	=
6.	MP Motorsport			65	+1
7.	Hitech	1		41	+1
8.	PREMA Racing	1		37	-2
9.	DAMS Lucas Oil	1		22	=
10.	AIX Racing			21	=

SEASON RECAP

		POLE POSITION	SPRINT RACE WINNER	FASTEST LAP	FEATURE RACE WINNER	FASTEST LAP
			FL BONUS POINTS	FL BONUS POINTS		FL BONUS POINTS
1	06-08 March	Melbourne AUSTRALIA Albert Park Grand Prix Circuit				
2	04-07 June	Monte-Carlo MONACO Circuit de Monaco				
3	12-14 June	Barcelona-Catalunya SPAIN Circuit de Barcelona-Catalunya				
4	26-28 June	Spielberg AUSTRIA Red Bull Ring				
5	03-05 July	Silverstone GREAT BRITAIN Silverstone Circuit				
6	17-19 July	Spa-Francorchamps BELGIUM Circuit de Spa-Francorchamps				
7	24-26 July	Budapest HUNGARY Hungaroring				
8	04-06 September	Monza ITALY Autodromo Nazionale Monza				
9	11-13 September	Madrid SPAIN Madrid				