



Formula Renault 3.5 Series

Extracts from the regulations

Authorized teams and drivers

The Championship is open to thirteen teams with two cars each selected by the Organizing committee. The drivers must hold a Grade A or B FIA licence.

During the season, each team is allowed to use four drivers. The authorization of the Organizing Committee is required for a driver to change team.

Private testing

Private testing with Formula Renault 3.5 cars is prohibited outside of the collective test sessions organized by Renault Sport. The teams still have six hours per car to organize private tests on tracks which are not on the 2010 race schedule. Any driver and/or team participating in Formula Renault 3.5 Series may not take part in testing at any of the Championship circuits, regardless of the type of car used (except for drivers registered to take part in all of the races in another championship, with the prior consent of the Organizing Committee and except for testing organized with a current F1 team).

Collective testing

In order to give the young drivers a chance to accumulate on-track experience prior to qualifying and the races, two 75-minute sessions of collective testing will be held on Fridays, except for Monaco where a single test session is scheduled.

Qualifying

One 20-minute qualifying session will be used on each competitive day to form the start grid for the races. The start grids will be determined according to the order of the fastest lap times achieved by each driver in the qualifying sessions.

Race format

Each meeting, except for Monaco, consists of two qualifying sessions and two races. At the Monaco meeting, there will be only one race.



The two races will be over a distance of 44 minutes + 1 lap. Race one will be run using a light aerodynamic configuration, whereas race two will include a mandatory pit stop within a «window» defined in the table below.

Track	Pit Stop between laps
Motorland	5 / 15
Spa	5 / 13
Monaco	-
Brno	5 / 14
Magny-Cours	5 / 17
Hungaroring	5 / 16
Hockenheim	5 / 17
Catalunya	5 / 17

During this pit stop, six mechanics must change two wheels. Pit stops are prohibited while the safety car is out on track. The window will then be extended by the number of laps for which the safety car was on track. Any driver who makes a pit stop outside of this window will receive a 20-second penalty. Any driver who makes a pit stop before the end of the first lap or who fails to stop will receive a one minute penalty.

Start grid: staggered 1:1 format.

Light aerodynamic configuration

The race cars will run in Saturday's race with a light aerodynamic configuration. All competitors must use a smaller rear wing, with a maximum steering wheel lock angle that may not be exceeded. Skirts shall also be prohibited. This configuration will result in approximately a 20% loss in aerodynamic downforce, thus lending greater predominance to engine power over aerodynamics. In the course of a single weekend, the drivers must therefore manage a car that handles very differently in Saturday's race and Sunday's race.



Points and titles

The Formula Renault 3.5 Series includes two separate championships: one for drivers and one for teams. There is also a rookie championship.

Points scored by both drivers count towards the team standings. Points are awarded at the end of each race according to the following table :

Classification	Race 1	Race 2
1st	15 pts	15 pts
2nd	12 pts	12 pts
3rd	10 pts	10 pts
4th	8 pts	8 pts
5th	6 pts	6 pts
6th	5 pts	5 pts
7th	4 pts	4 pts
8th	3 pts	3 pts
9th	2 pts	2 pts
10th	1 pt	1pt

All results count towards the championship standings. In the event of any competitors finishing on equal points, the competitor with the most victories, then the most wins, and so on, will take priority. If the competitors remain equal after all such considerations, the competitor with the best result in the last race will take priority.

Awards

After the fourth meeting of the season, the current leader of the Championship will drive the Roadshow F1 during the next World Series event.

The 2010 Formula Renault 3.5 Series winner will be tested by the Renault F1 Team

Tyres

- Collective testing on Fridays (2x75 mins): two new sets.
- Saturdays and Sundays: two new sets may be used qualifying (except for Monaco, where two sets will be allocated for the entire weekend).