



BRIDGESTONE

PREPARING FOR THE TOUGHEST TEST YET

Catalunya is the most demanding race so far this season and one of the toughest of the year for Bridgestone's rear tyres because of the very high tyre temperature generated by the predominantly right-handed layout of the circuit.

With eight right-handers, most of which are fast and flowing, Catalunya is very demanding for the right side of the rear tyres. It is specifically turn three and the last three corners that generate the high rear tyre temperature as

they are fast and long and the tyres spend a lot of time leant over on their right side. Turn three is also uphill so riders open the throttle earlier to maximise drive on the incline. By contrast, the five left corners are generally slower and so much less severe for the left side of the tyres.

Bridgestone's asymmetric rear slicks will be used at Catalunya to cope with the high temperature in the right shoulders. The rear slicks are available in either Medium or Hard compound rubber, both of which feature Bridgestone's soft compound in the left shoulders to balance the demands of the Catalunya circuit. Having listened to riders after last year's race, the rear compounds are one step softer this season. The front slicks are available in Medium and Hard compound, which is unchanged since last year.

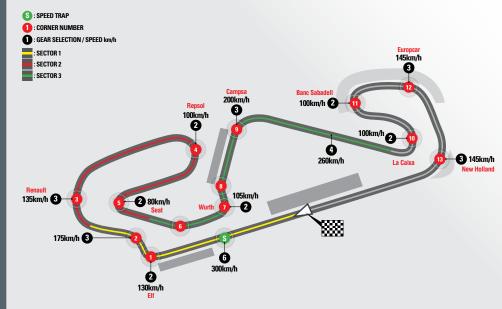


We listened to rider calls from last year's race here that the extra hard rear was not necessary from the point of view of grip and consistency. We carefully analysed last year's race data and tyre choices and as a result we have chosen rear options one step softer this year

EVENT SCHEDULE LOCAL TIME

FRIDAY	125cc Free Practice 1
09:15-09:55	
10:10-10:55	MotoGP Free Practice 1
11:10-11:55	Moto2 Free Practice 1
13:15-13:55	125cc Free Practice 2
14:10-14:55	MotoGP Free Practice 2
15:10-15:55	Moto2 Free Practice 2
SATURDAY	
09:15-09:55	125cc Free Practice 3
10:10-10:55	MotoGP Free Practice 3
11:10-11:55	Moto2 Free Practice 3
13:00-13:40	125cc Qualifying Practice
13:55-14:55	MotoGP Qualifying Practice
15:10-15:55	Moto2 Qualifying Practice
SUNDAY	
08:40-09:00	125cc Warm Up
09:10-09:30	Moto2 Warm Up
09:40-10:00	MotoGP Warm Up
11:00	125cc Race (22 laps)
12:15	Moto2 Race (23 laps)
14:00	MotoGP Race (25 laps)
MILD	TYRE SEVERITY RATING SEVERE
WILD	SEVENE

FRONT : MEDIUM / HARD



CIRCUIT RECORL	os e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e	CIRCUIT INFORMA	ATION
Pole position	1m 41.186s (168.177km/h)	First race	1992
	Casey Stoner (Ducati, 2008)	No. of GPs held	19
Fastest lap	1m 42.358s (166.251km/h)	Laps	25 (MotoGP) 23 (Moto2) 22 (125cc)
	Dani Pedrosa (Honda, 2008)	Track length	4.727km / 2.937 miles (Width 12m)
Race time	43m 02.175s (164.756km/h)	Race distance	118.175km / 73.425 miles
	Dani Pedrosa (Honda, 2008)	Longest straight	1.047km / 0.651 miles
2010 Winner	Jorge Lorenzo (Yamaha)	Corners	13 (5 left, 8 right)

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TYRE TALK HIROHIDE HAMASHIMA - ASSISTANT TO DIRECTOR, BRIDGESTONE MOTORSPORT TYRE DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

"Catalunya is a smooth but high speed circuit that generates higher temperature in the right shoulder of the tyres than the left because of its mostly right-handed nature. Turn three and the last section of the lap generates very high rear tyre temperature and makes Catalunya one of the toughest circuits of the year for our rear tyres.

"There are eight right-hand corners, most of which are long and fast, and only five left-handers, most of which are much slower so there is a significant imbalance

between rear tyre temperatures in the right and left shoulders, so for this reason we have selected asymmetric rear slicks to balance these demands. This is one of the key roles of our tyres — we must carefully choose the compound combinations in our asymmetric tyres to equalize imbalances posed by each circuit to provide consistent rider feeling throughout a lap. We listened to rider calls after last year's race here that the Extra Hard rear was too hard so as a result we have chosen rear options one step softer this year."

YAMAHA FACTORY RACING

MACHINE: Yamaha YZR-M1 WEB: www.yamaha-racing.com



Jorge Lorenzo Bike number 1

Age: 24 DOB: 4/5/1987 Nationality: Spanish GP Debut: QAT08 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 56 (MotoGP) Wins: 15 Poles: 17 Fastest laps: 9 Podiums: 37 Points: 912 Best championship position: 1st (2010)

Ben Spies Bike number 11

Age: 26 DOB: 11/7/1984 Nationality: American GP Debut: GBR08 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 25 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles: 1 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 2 Points: 225 Best championship position: 6th (2010)

DUCATI TEAM

MACHINE: Ducati Desmosedici GP11 WER: www.ducati.com



Valentino Rossi Bike number 46

Age: 32 DOB: 16/2/1979 Nationality: Italian GP Debut: RSA00 (500cc) GP Starts: 185 (MotoGP/500cc) Wins: 79 Poles: 49 Fastest laps: 66 Podiums: 140 Points: 3364 Best championship position: 1st (x7, 2009*)

Nicky Hayden Bike number 69

Age: 29 DOB: 30/7/1981 Nationality: American GP Debut: JPN03 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 138 (MotoGP) Wins: 3 Poles: 5 Fastest laps: 6 Podiums: 28 Points: 1293 Best championship position: 1st (2006)

SAN CARLO HONDA GRESINI

MACHINE: Honda RC212V WEB: www.gresiniracing.com



Marco Simoncelli Bike number 58

Age: 24 DOB: 20/1/1987 Nationality: Italian GP Debut: QAT10 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 22 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 147 Best championship position: 8th (2010)

Hiroshi Aoyama Bike number 7

Age: 29 DOB: 25/10/1981 Nationality: Japanese GP Debut: QAT10 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 16 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 89 Best championship position: 15th (2010)

LCR HONDA MOTOGP

MACHINE: Honda RC212V WEB: www.lcr.mc



Toni Elias Bike number 24

Age: 28 DOB: 26/03/1983 Nationality: Spanish GP Debut: SPA05 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 83 (MotoGP) Wins: 1 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 3 Podiums: 6 Points: 518 Best championship position: 7th (2009)

TOP RESULTS ON BRIDGESTONE TYRES

RIDER	TITLES	WINS	2NDs	3RDs	PODIUMS	POLES
Valentino Rossi	2	17	12	11	40	10
Casey Stoner	1	25	8	12	45	24
Jorge Lorenzo	1	14	12	5	31	13
Dani Pedrosa	-	7	11	8	26	7
Loris Capirossi	-	6	7	4	17	5
Makoto Tamada	-	2	1	1	4	3
Chris Vermeulen	-	1	3	3	7	3
Andrea Dovizioso	-	1	4	4	9	1
Troy Bayliss	-	1	-	-	1	-
Marco Melandri	-	-	3	1	4	-
Toni Elias	-	-	2	3	5	-
John Hopkins	-	-	1	3	4	1
Ben Spies	-	-	1	1	2	1
Shinya Nakano	-	-	1	1	2	-
Randy de Puniet	-	-	1	1	2	-
Kenny Roberts Jr	-	-	1	-	1	1
Alex de Angelis	-	-	1	-	1	-
Colin Edwards	-	-	1	-	1	-
Oliver Jacque	-	-	1	-	1	-
Nicky Hayden	-	-	-	3	3	-
Carlos Checa	-	-	-	2	2	-
Alex Barros	-	-	-	1	1	-
Jeremy McWilliams	-	-	-	-	0	1
Sete Gibernau	-	-	-	-	0	1
TOTAL	4	74	71	64	209	71

REPSOL HONDA TEAM

MACHINE: Honda RC212V WEB: www.hondaproracing.com



Dani Pedrosa Bike number 26

Age: 25 DOB: 29/9/1985 Nationality: Spanish GP Debut: SPA06 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 88 (MotoGP) Wins: 13 Poles: 17 Fastest laps: 24 Podiums: 50 Points: 1246 Best championship position: 2nd (2010*)



Andrea Dovizioso Bike number 4

Age: 25 DOB: 23/3/1986 Nationality: Italian
GP Debut: QAT08 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 57 (MotoGP) Wins: 1 Poles: 1 Fastest laps: 1 Podiums: 10 Points: 586 Best championship position: 5th (2010*)



Casey Stoner Bike number 27

Age: 25 DOB: 16/10/1985 Nationality: Australian GP Debut: SPA06 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 87 (MotoGP) Wins: 25 Poles: 25 Fastest laps: 21 Podiums: 46 Points: 1277 Best championship position: 1st (2007)

MONSTER YAMAHA TECH 3

MACHINE: Yamaha YZR-M1 WEB: www.teamtech3.fr



RIZLA SUZUKI MOTOGP

Colin Edwards Bike number 5

Age: 37 DOB: 27/2/1974 Nationality: American GP Debut: JPN03 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 141 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles: 3 Fastest laps: 3 Podiums: 11 Points: 1075 Best championship position: 4th (2005)

Cal Crutchlow Bike number 35

Age: 25 DOB: 29/10/1985 Nationality: British GP Debut: QAT11 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 4 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles:0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 21 Best championship position: NA

MACHINE: Suzuki GSV-R WEB: www.rizla-suzuki-motogp.co.uk

Álvaro Bautista Bike number 19



Age: 26 DOB: 21/11/1984 Nationality: Spanish GP Debut: QAT10 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 19 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 92 Best championship position: 13th (2010)



PRAMAC RACING TEAM

MACHINE: Ducati Desmosedici GP11 WEB: www.pramacracing.com



Loris Capirossi Bike number 65

Age: 38 DOB: 4/4/1973 Nationality: Italian GP Debut: AUS95 (500cc) GP Starts: 208 (MotoGP/500cc) Wins: 9 Poles: 13 Fastest laps: 10 Podiums: 42 Points: 1806 Best championship position: 3rd (2006*)

Randy de Puniet Bike number 14

Age: 30 DOB: 14/2/1981 Nationality: French GP Debut: SPA06 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 91 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 2 Points: 434 Best championship position: 9th (2010)

MAPFRE ASPAR TEAM

MACHINE: Ducati Desmosedici GP11 WEB: www.teamaspar.net



Héctor Barberá Bike number 8

Age: 24 DOB: 2/11/1986 Nationality: Spanish GP Debut: QAT10 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 22 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 111 Best championship position: 12th (2010)



HINE: Ducati Desmosedici GP11 WEB: www.karelabraham.com



Karel Abraham Bike number 17 Age: 21 DOB: 02/01/1990 Nationality: Czech GP Debut: QAT11 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 4 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 18 Best championship position: NA

BRIDGESTONE FACT

Four different riders have won the last four Grands Prix at Catalunya, and in three of those instances the winner has gone on to win the Championship: Stoner in 2007, Rossi in 2009 and Lorenzo in 2010





AVAILABLE Tyre Compounds:	Soft Medium Hard Extra Hard Wet	Losail QAT	SPA	POR	FRA	Catalunya CAT	Silverstone	Assen HOL	Mugello ITA	Sachsenring GER	Laguna Seca USA	CZE	Indianapolis IND	RSM	Motorland Aragon ARA	JPN	Phillip Island AUS	Sepang MAL	Valenc
		20/03/11 • Medium	03/04/11 • Medium	01/05/11 O Soft	15/05/11 O Soft	05/06/11 • Medium	12/06/11 • Soft	25/06/11	03/07/11	17/07/11	24/07/11	14/08/11	28/08/11	04/09/11	18/09/11	02/10/11	16/10/11	23/10/11	06/11/
ALLOCATED - FRON		Ex. Hard Medium	O Hard	Medium	Medium	O Hard	Medium												
ALLOCATED - REAR	TYRES	⊙ Hard	Medium	○ Hard	Medium Soft	MediumHard	MediumHard												
RACE WEATHER CO	NDITIONS	19º 20º	152	382	18º)													
RACE TRACK COND		DRY	WET	DRY	DRY				•										
POSITION - RIDER	WINS PTS	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Jorge Lorenzo (1)	W 1 PD 3 78		Ro 2	5 Ro 2	4 D RO 1														
Casey Stoner (27)	W 2 PD 3 66	F 1 1 R0 25	AC FO RO	1 FO 1	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1														
Dani Pedrosa (26)	W 1 PD 3 61	F● 3 2 RO 16	FO 2	2 F 0 R 2	AC - A	1													
Andrea Dovizioso (4	W - FD 1 50	F• 4 7 Ro 13		6 FO 1:	5 F 2 3 3 RO 20														
Valentino Rossi (46)	W - PD 1 47	F 7 9 BO 9			3 5 6 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	3													
Nicky Hayden (69)	W - PD 1 39	913 Fe 7	31	1 _ 91:	3 710)													
' Hiroshi Aoyama (7)	W - 36	1012 Fo 6	41	D 71	81;	:													
Marco Simoncelli (58	\//	₅ 5 4	AC -	5 AC - :	2 FO 5 2	2													
Colin Edwards (5)	W - PD - 21	F● 810 RO 8	AC _	B _ 6	7 . 13	7 3													
O Hector Barbera (8)	\\/ -	12 6	61	3 AC -10	914														
1 Cal Crutchlow (35)	W - PD - 21	F● 11 8	. 8	9 8	B AC	i													
2 Ben Spies (11)	W - 20	6 5	AC -	4 AC - !	3 Ro -														
3 Karel Abraham (17	W - 10	1315	71	6 AC -1	2 1010	3													
4 Toni Elias (24)	W - 17	Ro 3 AC -16	RO 91	7 _{EO} 111	7 111														
5 Loris Capirossi (65)	W - 0	RO RT -14	_{EQ} 11 1	7 Re 121	RO -1!	5 5													
6 Alvaro Bautista (19	W - 7	RO	RO DNS	131	FRO -														
7 Randy De Puniet (1	4) W - 6	AC -11		7 E 101	AC -11	1 I													
8 John Hopkins (21)	W - 6	Ro	Ro 101	- Ro 4 -	RO -	-													
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CONSTRUCTORS' CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Honda - 95 **2.** Yamaha - 78 **3.** Ducati - 52 **4.** Suzuki - 13

TEAMS' CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Repsol Honda Team - 121

2. Yamaha Factory Racing - 98
4. San Ca
3. Ducati Team - 86
5. Monste

4. San Carlo Honda Gresini - 587. Cardion AB Motoracing - 185. Monster Yamaha Tech 3 - 428. LCR Honda MotoGP - 17

Team - 86 5. Monster Yamaha Tech 3 - 42
6. Mapfre Aspar Team - 21

9. Pramac Racing - 15 **10.** Rizla Suzuki MotoGP - 13

RESULTS ON BRIDGESTONE TYRES BY SEASON

YEAR	TEAM AND RIDERS	RACES	CHAMPIONSHIP	TEAMS	WINS	POLES	PODIUMS
2002	2 Teams - 3 Riders	16	12th (Aoki)	7th (Proton)	0 (best 5th)	1	0
2003	2 Teams - 3 Riders	16	11th (Tamada)	9th (Pramac)	0 (best 3rd)	0	1
2004	3 Teams - 5 Riders	16	6th (Tamada)	3rd (Camel)	2	4	4
2005	3 Teams - 7 Riders	17	6th (Capirossi)	4th (Ducati)	2	3	8
2006	3 Teams - 8 Riders	17	3rd (Capirossi)	3rd (Ducati)	4	6	11
2007	5 Teams - 12 Riders	18	1st (Stoner)	1st (Ducati)	12	6	33
2008	7 Teams - 13 Riders	18	1st (Rossi)	1st (Yamaha)	15	12	35
2009	12 Teams - 22 Riders	17	1st (Rossi)	1st (Yamaha)	17	17	51
2010	10 Teams - 22 Riders	18	1st (Lorenzo)	1st (Yamaha)	18	18	54
2011	10 Teams - 18 Riders	4	-	-	4 (x2 Stoner)	4	12
					(x1 Lorenzo)		
					(x1 Pedrosa)		
TOTAL		157	A	A	74	71	209



BRIDGESTONE NEWS WINNING AWAY FROM THE TRACK TOO

Bridgestone's success is not just limited to the track and the Japanese manufacturer's latest hypersport tyre has just claimed a victory of its own in Germany against stiff competition from Pirelli, Dunlop and Michelin.

After rigorous testing including a track test and wet grip assessment, German PS motorcycle sport magazine awarded the Bridgestone Battlax BT-016 PRO clear wet performance winner and joint overall test winner.

Tested in southern Europe using a Honda CBR 600 RR, the Battlax BT-016 PRO recorded the fastest laptime of the test, proving that Bridgestone's MotoGP technology really does benefit road tyres and end users.

The Battlax BT-016 PRO is Bridgestone's latest hypersport tyre and the first to utilise a new methodology for transferring MotoGP technology to the road. It benefits from optimised compound performance, wider temperature operating range, improved wet performance and enhanced durability, all adopted from the technology used to produce MotoGP tyres.

The Battlax BT-016 PRO is designed to allow end-users to experience the benefit of improved traction and stability in all weathers alongside an increased margin of safety, giving them a taste of MotoGP on their sports bikes.

BATTIAX BT-016 PRO HYPERSPORT



BRIDGESTONE FACT

Catalunya, like Phillip Island, is an incredibly hard circuit for one shoulder of the rear tyres. With fast long corners generating high lateral loads, tyre temperatures peak at over 100 degrees Celsius



LAST YEAR'S RACE

FASTEST RACE LAP

Andrea Dovizioso, Honda - Lap 3 - Time: 1m 43.154s - Average speed: 165.0 km/h

2010	QUALIFYING TIMES				2010	2010 RACE RESULTS							
	RIDER	TEAM	TOP KM/H	TIME	GAP		RIDER	TEAM	TIME	TOP KM/H	GAP		
1	Jorge Lorenzo	Fiat Yamaha Team	321.9	1m42.046s		1	Jorge Lorenzo	Fiat Yamaha Team	43m22.805s	163.5	•		
2	Casey Stoner	Ducati Team	323.4	1m42.410s	+0.364s	2	Dani Pedrosa	Repsol Honda Team	43m27.559s	163.2	+4.754s		
<i>3</i>	Randy De Puniet	LCR Honda MotoGP	322.6	1m42.512s	+0.466s	3	Casey Stoner	Ducati Team	43m27.761s	163.1	+4.956s		
4	Dani Pedrosa	Repsol Honda Team	326.8	1m42.592s	+0.546s	4	Randy De Puniet	LCR Honda MotoGP	43m40.862s	162.3	+18.057s		
5	Ben Spies	Monster Yamaha Tech 3	319.5	1m42.710s	+0.664s	5	Alvaro Bautista	Rizla Suzuki MotoGP	43m44.166s	162.1	+21.361s		
6	Andrea Dovizioso	Repsol Honda Team	324.2	1m42.866s	+0.820s	6	Ben Spies	Monster Yamaha Tech 3	43m44.308s	162.1	+21.503s		
7	Loris Capirossi	Rizla Suzuki MotoGP	321.6	1m42.903s	+0.857s	7	Loris Capirossi	Rizla Suzuki MotoGP	43m46.986s	161.9	+24.181s		
8	Marco Simoncelli	San Carlo Honda Gresini	322.8	1m42.994s	+0.948s	8	Nicky Hayden	Ducati Team	43m50.746s	161.7	+27.941s		
9	Alvaro Bautista	Rizla Suzuki MotoGP	327.2	1m43.025s	+0.979s	9	Marco Melandri	San Carlo Honda Gresini	43m50.851s	161.7	+28.046s		
10	Colin Edwards	Monster Yamaha Tech 3	316.4	1m43.059s	+1.013s	10	Hector Barbera	Paginas Amarillas Aspar	43m55.244s	161.4	+32.439s		
11	Nicky Hayden	Ducati Team	325.7	1m43.068s	+1.022s	11	Colin Edwards	Monster Yamaha Tech 3	44m01.211s	161.1	+38.406s		
12	Aleix Espargaro	Pramac Racing Team	321.3	1m43.380s	+1.334s	12	Mika Kallio	Pramac Racing Team	44m21.062s	159.9	+58.257s		
13	Hector Barbera	Paginas Amarillas Aspar	324.2	1m43.417s	+1.371s	13	Kousuke Akiyoshi	Interwetten Honda MotoGP	44m32.153s	159.2	+69.348s		
14	Marco Melandri	San Carlo Honda Gresini	324.4	1m43.621s	+1.575s	14	Andrea Dovizioso	Repsol Honda Team	44m55.207s	157.8	+92.402s		
15	Mika Kallio	Pramac Racing Team	324.0	1m43.685s	+1.639s	15	Wataru Yoshikawa	Fiat Yamaha Team	44m58.042s	157.7	+95.237s		
16	Kousuke Akiyoshi	Interwetten Honda MotoGP	315.6	1m45.577s	+3.531s	NC	Marco Simoncelli	San Carlo Honda Gresini	22m40.799s	162.6	12 Laps		
17	Wataru Yoshikawa	Fiat Yamaha Team	317.2	1m45.759s	+3.713s	NC	Aleix Espargaro	Pramac Racing Team	8m49.351s	160.7	20 Laps		

BRIDGESTONE MOTORSPORT ROUND-UP

IndyCar IndyCar — With victory last time out at the Sao Paolo Indy 300, Will Power leads the championship standings after four races from Dario Franchitti and Oriol Servia in third. Next up is the famous Indy 500 at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway on 29 May, after this sheet goes to print. Alex Tagliani qualified on pole just ahead of Scott Dixon and Servia. Championship leader Power will start fifth with last year's winner Franchitti in ninth.



