MUGELLO ITALY 15th JULY, 2012



MOTOGP MEETS MUGELLO IN THE MIDDLE

This weekend's Italian Grand Prix at the fast and flowing Mugello circuit marks the end of an intense three weeks for the MotoGP world championship as well as the halfway point of the 2012 season.

The sinuous layout of Mugello is particularly demanding because of its high speeds, heavy braking and large elevation changes that require tyres with good edge grip, braking and cornering stability, as well as high levels of durability.

With nine right-handed corners and six lefts,

the left shoulders of the asymmetric rear tyres are slightly softer than the right side to offer riders improved warm-up performance and grip on the lesser-used side of the tyres. In similar fashion to other circuits with high straight-line speeds such as Catalunya and Sepang, the Mugello circuit places significant loads on the centre section of the tyres under both acceleration and braking.

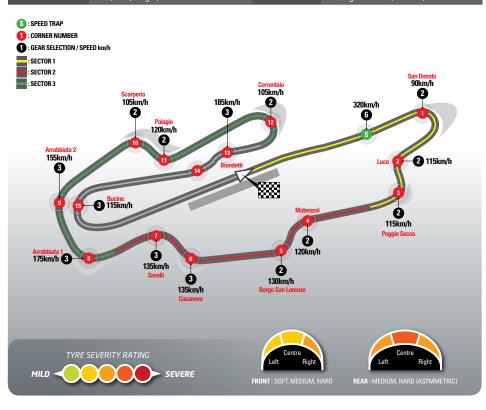
With this requirement for cornering and braking stability, the front tyre allocation for Mugello includes the medium and hard compounds while the asymmetric rear slicks will be available in the medium and hard configuration to provide the necessary levels of grip and durability.

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CIRCUIT INFORMATION

CIRCUIT DETAILS	5	CIRCUIT RECORDS				
First race	1976	Pole position	1m 48.034s (174.778km/h)			
No. of GPs held	26		Casey Stoner (Honda, 2011)			
Laps	23 (MotoGP) 21 (Moto2) 20 (Moto3)	Fastest lap	1m 48.402s (174.184km/h)			
Track length	5.245km / 3.259 miles (Width 14m)		Jorge Lorenzo (Yamaha, 2011)			
Race distance	120.635km / 74.957 miles	Race time	41m 50.089s (173.016km/h)			
Longest straight	1.141km / 0.709 miles		Jorge Lorenzo (Yamaha, 2011)			
Corners	15 (6 left, 9 right)	2011 Winner	Jorge Lorenzo (Yamaha)			





EVENT SCHEDULE LOCAL TIME

FRIVAY	
09:15-09:55	Moto3 Free Practice 1
10:10-10:55	MotoGP Free Practice 1
11:10-11:55	Moto2 Free Practice 1
13:15-13:55	Moto3 Free Practice 2
14:10-14:55	MotoGP Free Practice 2
15:10-15:55	Moto2 Free Practice 2
SATURDAY	
09:15-09:55	Moto3 Free Practice 3
10:10-10:55	MotoGP Free Practice 3
11:10-11:55	Moto2 Free Practice 3
13:00-13:40	Moto3 Qualifying Practice
13:55-14:55	MotoGP Qualifying Practice
15:10-15:55	Moto2 Qualifying Practice
SUNDAY	
08:40-09:00	Moto3 Warm Up
09:10-09:30	Moto2 Warm Up
09:40-10:00	MotoGP Warm Up
11:00	Moto3 Race (20 laps)
12:20	Moto3 Race (21 laps)
14:00	MotoGP Race (23 laps)

Source: www.motogp.com & Haynes MotoGP Season Review Information subject to change

TYRE TALK SHINJI AOKI, MANAGER, BRIDGESTONE MOTORSPORT TYRE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Mugello is one of the fastest circuits on the calendar and is tough on tyres because of the high speeds, elevated track temperatures, and its technical layout that features many sweeping corners. The tarmac at Mugello is quite grippy and abrasive though and requires very good levels of edge grip and as well as the fast corners, the changes in elevation and bumps in some braking zones add to the challenge.

Our compound selection for Mugello remains unchanged from last year, with our front tyre

selection being the soft, medium and hard compounds which will give riders a choice for every kind of track condition and provide good stability in corners and under hard braking. The two asymmetric rear slick choices for Mugello, the medium and hard options, feature slightly softer rubber on the left shoulder compared to the right to give more desirable grip characteristics in the lesser used left-hand corners, in particular Bucine where getting good drive onto the main straight is very important.



TEAMS AND RIDERS

Teams and riders order based on 2011 team championship position *Most recent performance listed.

REPSOL HONDA TEAM

MACHINE Honda RC213V WFR www.hondanroracina.com



Casev Stoner Bike number 1

Age: 26 DOB: 16/10/1985 Nationality: Australian GP Debut: SPA06 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 108 (MotoGP) Wins: 36 Poles: 38 Fastest laps: 28 Podiums: 65 Points: 1701 Best championship position: 1st (x2, 2011*)



Dani Pedrosa Bike number 26

Age: 26 DOB: 29/9/1985 Nationality: Spanish GP Debut: SPA06 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 106 (MotoGP) Wins: 16 Poles: 20 Fastest laps: 27 Podiums: 63 Points: 1550 Best championship position: 2nd (2010*)

DUCATI TEAM

MACHINE Ducati Desmosedici GP12 WEB www.ducati.com



Valentino Rossi Bike number 46

Age: 33 DOB: 16/2/1979 Nationality: Italian GP Debut: RSA00 (500cc) GP Starts: 206 (MotoGP/500cc) Wins: 79 Poles: 49 Fastest laps: 67 Podiums: 141 Points: 3527 Best championship position: 1st (x7, 2009*)



Nicky Hayden Bi 69

Age: 30 DOB: 30/7/1981 Nationality: American GP Debut: JPN03 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 159 (MotoGP) Wins: 3 Poles: 5 Fastest laps: 7 Podiums: 28 Points: 1451 Best championship position: 1st (2006)

MONSTER YAMAHA TECH 3

MACHINE Yamaha YZR-M1 WEB www.teamtech3.fr



Cal Crutchlow Bike number 35

Age: 26 DOB: 29/10/1985 Nationality: British GP Debut: OAT11 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 24 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles:0 Fastest laps: 1 Podiums: 0 Points: 155 Best championship position: 12th (2011)



Andrea Dovizioso Bike number 4

Age: 26 DOB: 23/3/1986 Nationality: Italian GP Debut: QAT08 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 78 (MotoGP) Wins: 1 Poles: 1 Fastest laps: 1 Podiums: 17 Points: 859 Best championship position: 3rd (2011)

NGM FORWARD RACING

MACHINE Suter-BMW



Colin Edwards Bike number 5

Age: 38 DOB: 27/2/1974 Nationality: American GP Debut: JPN03 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 158 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles: 3 Fastest laps: 3 Podiums: 12 Points: 1171 Best championship position: 4th (2005)

CARDION AB MOTORACING

MACHINE Ducati Desmosodeci GP12 WEB www.karelabraham.com

MACHINES Honda RC213V

WFR www.lcrm

MACHINE ART

MACHINE Ioda-Aprilia



Karel Abraham Bike number 17

Age: 22 DOB: 02/01/1990 Nationality: Czech GP Debut: QAT11 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 21 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 68 Best championship position: 14th (2011)



Best championship position: NA

Stefan Bradl Bike number 6 Age: 22 DOB: 29/11/1989 Nationality: German GP Debut: QAT12 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 8 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 64



MACHINE ART PAUL BIRD MOTORSPORT



James Ellison Bike <mark>number 77</mark>

Age: 32 DOB: 19/9/1980 Nationality: British GP Debut: CZE04 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 47 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 46 Best championship position: 18th (2006)



Mattia Pasini <mark>Bike number 54</mark>

WEB www.sneed



Age: 26 DOB: 13/8/1985 Nationality: Italian GP Debut: QAT12 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 8 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 12 Best championship position: NA



Danilo Petrucci Bike number 9

CAME IODA RACING PROJECT

Age: 21 DOB: 24/10/1990 Nationality: Italian GP Debut: QAT12 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 8 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 9 Best championship position: NA

YAMAHA FACTORY RACING

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



Jorge Lorenzo Bike number 99

: 25 DOB: 4/5/1987 Nationality: Spanish GP Debut: QAT08 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 75 (MotoGP) Wins: 21 Poles: 20 Fastest laps: 14 Podiums: 51 Points: 1254 Best championship position: 1st (2010)



Age: 28 DOB: 11/7/1984 Nationality: American GP Debut: GBR08 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 45 (MotoGP) Wins: 1 Poles: 1 Fastest laps: 1 Podiums: 6 Points: 442 Best championship position: 5th (2011)

SAN CARLO HONDA GRESINI

MACHINES Honda RC213V - FTR MGP12 WEB www.aresiniracina.com



Alvaro Bautista Bike number 19

Age: 27 DOB: 21/11/1984 Nationality: Spanish GP Debut: QAT10 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 40 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles: 1 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 219 Best championship position: 13th (2011*)



Michele Pirro Bike number 51

Age: 26 DOB: 5/7/1986 Nationality: Italian GP Debut: QAT12 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 8 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 16 Best championship position: NA

ASPAR TEAM MOTOGP

MACHINE ART



Randy de Puniet <mark>Bike number</mark> 14

e: 31 DOB: 14/2/1981 Nationality: French GP Debut: SPA06 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 111 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 2 Points: 501 Best championship position: 9th (2010)



Aleix Espargaro Bike

Age: 22 DOB: 30/7/1989 Nationality: Spanish GP Debut: INP09 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 30 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 104 Best championship position: 14th (2010)

PRAMAC RACING TEAM

MACHINE Ducati Desmosodeci GP12 WEB www.pramacracing.com



Hector Barbera Bike number 8

Age: 25 DOB: 2/11/1986 Nationality: Spanish GP Debut: QAT10 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 42 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 224 Best championship position: 11th (2011)

AVINTIA RACING MOTOGP

Yonny Hernandez Bike

MACHINE FTR-Kawasaki WEB www.teamhar.com



22 Age: 30 DOB: 12/6/1982 Nationality: Spanish GP Debut: NED06 (MotoGP) GP Starts: 12 (MotoGP) Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0 Points: 5 Best championship position: NC (2007*)

TOP RESULTS ON BRIDGESTONE TYRES

RIDERS	TITLES	WINS	2NDs	3RDs	PODIUMS	POLES
Casey Stoner	2	36	10	18	64	37
Valentino Rossi	2	17	13	11	41	10
Jorge Lorenzo	1	20	19	6	45	16
Dani Pedrosa	-	10	17	12	39	10
Loris Capirossi	-	6	7	4	17	5
Makoto Tamada	-	2	1	1	4	3
Andrea Dovizioso	-	1	7	10	18	1
Chris Vermeulen	-	1	3	3	7	3
Ben Spies	-	1	2	3	6	1
Troy Bayliss	-	1	-	-	1	-
Marco Melandri	-	-	3	1	4	-
Toni Elias	-	-	2	3	5	-
John Hopkins	-	-	1	3	4	1
Marco Simoncelli	-	-	1	1	2	2
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
Alvaro Bautista	-	-	-	-	-	1
TOTAL	5	95	92	85	272	93

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Michaela Dirra (E1) W - 16 NC -1715 - 1416 - 1416 - 1416 - 1314 - 914 RT -17									
Maria Pacini (54) W - 12 - 1718 - 1416; AC -21 - 1220 - 1718; RT -16 - 1015; AC -15									
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Chris Vermeulen (7) W									

CONSTRUCTORS & TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP

A : Reason retired **B** : Final race position **C** : Grid position **D** : Championship points F : Front tyre choice at start R : Rear tyre choice at start **C** : Tyre changes AC : Accident DQ : Disqualified RT : Retired DNS : Did not start

1. Honda - 176 2. Yamaha - 1	176 3. Ducati - 85 4. ART*	- 37 5. FTR* - 16 6. Io	oda* - 9 7. BQR* - 9	8. Suter* - 8 9. BQR-FTR* - 2
1. Repsol Honda Team - 286	4. Ducati Team - 136	7. Pramac Racing Team - 53	10. Avintia Racing MotoGP - 11	13. NGM Forward Racing - 8
2. Yamaha Factory Racing - 221	5. San Carlo Honda Gresini - 83	8. Power Electronics Aspar - 47	11. Paul Bird Motorsport - 10	14. Cardion AB Motoracing - 4
3. Monster Yamaha Tech 3 - 177	6. LCR Honda MotoGP - 62	9. Speed Master - 12	12. Came IodaRacing Project - 9	

* denotes CRT entry

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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	11 Teams - 22 Riders	17	1st (Stoner)	1st (Honda)	17	18	51
2012	14 Teams - 23 Riders	8			8 (x4 Lorenzo) (x3 Stoner)	8 (x5 Stoner) (x1 Lorenzo)	24
					(x1 Pedrosa)	(x1 Pedrosa) (x1 Bautista)	
TOTAL		178	5	5	95	93	272

BRIDGESTONE NEWS



BRIDGESTONE BRINGS ITS "A" GAME TO THE ROAD

Bridgestone Europe announced that it will introduce the Ecopia EP001S, an "A/A"-rated tyre with top "A" grades on both fuel efficiency and wet grip to the market in October this year.

This innovative new passenger car tyre is the latest member of the fuel efficient Ecopia range and is the first product in the industry to achieve the top label grading in both Europe and in Japan. The EP001S will be officially presented at this September's Paris Motor Show and effectively introduced in the European market as of October 2012.

Traditionally, there has been a strong trade-off between wet grip, which requires more rubber friction on the road, and fuel efficiency which is dependent on lower rolling friction, though the new Ecopia EP001S provides the optimum combination of grip and rolling resistance thanks to its advanced design.

Bridgestone Europe CEO Franco Annunziato explained that "thanks to its advanced technologies – such as NanoPro-Tech™ – Bridgestone has been able to bridge such trade-offs and develop a tyre that achieves A/A rating under the new FLI tyre label system."



BRIDGESTONE FACT

LAST YEARS RACE

At 1141 metres in length, Mugello's main straight is the longest on the MotoGP calendar and is more than double the length of Laguna Seca's 453 metre main straight which is the shortest of the season.

FASTEST RACE LAP

Jorge Lorenzo, Yamaha - Lap 17 - Time: 1m48.402s - Average speed: 174.184 km/h

2011 QUALIFYING TIMES								2011 RACE RESULTS					
		RIDER	TEAM	TOP KM/H	TIME	GAP		RIDER	TEAM	TIME	TOP KM/H	GAP	
	1	Casey Stoner	Repsol Honda Team	322.3	1m48.034s	:	1	Jorge Lorenzo	Yamaha Factory Racing	41m50.089s	173.016		
٦	2	Ben Spies	Yamaha Factory Racing	319.2	1m48.479s	+0.445s	2	Andrea Dovizioso	Repsol Honda Team	41m51.086s	172.947	+0.997s	
	3	Marco Simoncelli	San Carlo Honda Gresini	321.0	1m48.485s	+0.451s	3	Casey Stoner	Repsol Honda Team	41m51.232s	172.937	+1.143s	
	4	Andrea Dovizioso	Repsol Honda Team	324.8	1m48.694s	+0.660s	4	Ben Spies	Yamaha Factory Racing	41m59.069s	172.399	+8.980s	
	5	Jorge Lorenzo	Yamaha Factory Racing	323.1	1m48.756s	+0.722s	5	Marco Simoncelli	San Carlo Honda Gresini	41m59.165s	172.392	+9.076s	
	6	Colin Edwards	Monster Yamaha Tech 3	314.9	1m48.974s	+0.940s	6	Valentino Rossi	Ducati Team	42m16.539s	171.212	+26.450s	
	7	Cal Crutchlow	Monster Yamaha Tech 3	318.9	1m49.021s	+0.987s	7	Hector Barbera	Mapfre Aspar Team	42m18.834s	171.057	+28.745s	
	8	Dani Pedrosa	Repsol Honda Team	317.9	1m49.398s	+1.364s	8	Dani Pedrosa	Repsol Honda Team	42m22.132s	170.835	+32.043s	
	9	Nicky Hayden	Ducati Team	320.5	1m49.509s	+1.475s	9	Colin Edwards	Monster Yamaha Tech 3	42m23.510s	170.742	+33.421s	
	10	Hector Barbera	Mapfre Aspar Team	327.2	1m49.663s	+1.629s	10	Nicky Hayden	Ducati Team	42m24.813s	170.655	+34.724s	
	11	Karel Abraham	Cardion AB Motoracing	323.8	1m49.678s	+1.644s	11	Hiroshi Aoyama	San Carlo Honda Gresini	42m27.448s	170.478	+37.359s	
	12	Valentino Rossi	Ducati Team	320.7	1m49.902s	+1.868s	12	Karel Abraham	Cardion AB Motoracing	42m34.053s	170.037	+43.964s	
	13	Hiroshi Aoyama	San Carlo Honda Gresini	322.7	1m50.156s	+2.122s	13	Alvaro Bautista	Rizla Suzuki MotoGP	42m37.743s	169.792	+47.654s	
	14	Alvaro Bautista	Rizla Suzuki MotoGP	322.1	1m50.460s	+2.426s	14	Randy De Puniet	Pramac Racing Team	42m38.929s	169.713	+48.840s	
	15	Randy De Puniet	Pramac Racing Team	320.0	1m50.651s	+2.617s	15	Toni Elias	LCR Honda MotoGP	43m05.288s	167.983	+75.199s	
	16	Toni Elias	LCR Honda MotoGP	324.2	1m50.742s	+2.708s	NC	Cal Crutchlow	Monster Yamaha Tech 3	11m10.247s	169.030	17 laps	

BRIDGESTONE MOTORSPORT ROUND-UP

IndyCar Andretti Autosport's Ryan Hunter-Reay made it three wins on the trot after winning on the Streets of Toronto on July 8. Hunter-Reay now moves to the top of the IndyCar championship table after winning under caution ahead of Chip Ganassi Racing's Charlie Kimball and A.J. Foyt Enterprises driver Mike Conway who finished second and third respectively. IndyCar stays in Canada for the next round which takes place next weekend at Edmonton City Centre Airport.





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