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Austin Americas

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OFFICIAL MotoGP CLASS TYRE

MOTOGP LANDS IN THE LONE STAR STATE

The second round of the 2013 MotoGP season takes place at the state-of-the-art Circuit of The Americas in Austin, Texas as the championship welcomes a new venue to the calendar.

At 5.515 kilometres in length, the Circuit of the Americas is a technical track featuring big changes in elevation, a combination of slow and fast corners and the longest straight on the MotoGP calendar which starts

and ends with tight hairpin corners.

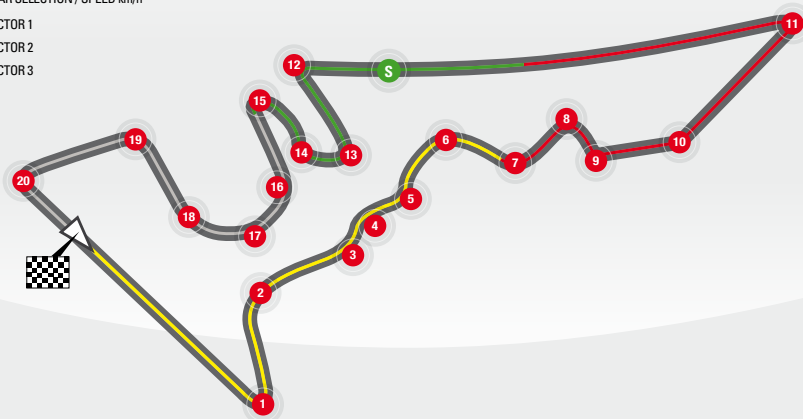
The layout of the circuit places similar loads on both shoulders of the tyres, though the presence of several mid to high speed right-hand corners means that asymmetric rear slicks with slightly harder rubber on the right shoulders will be offered for this circuit. Three rear slick compounds the soft, medium and hard options will be offered at Austin, with CRT riders able to use the softer two options, non-CRT riders the harder two

choices. Front slick compounds are the soft and medium options to give riders the highest levels of front end feel through the twisting sections of the track.

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Circuit Guide

- S : SPEED TRAP
- 1 : CORNER NUMBER
- 1 : GEAR SELECTION / SPEED km/h
- : SECTOR 1
- : SECTOR 2
- : SECTOR 3



CIRCUIT INFORMATION

First race	2013
No. of GPs held	0
Laps	21 (MotoGP) 19 (Moto2) 18 (Moto3)
Track length	5.513km / 3.426miles (Width 15m)
Race distance	115.773km / 71.938 miles (21 Laps)
Longest straight	1,200m / 0.746 miles
Corners	20 (9 right, 11 left)

CIRCUIT RECORDS

Pole position	NA - New circuit
Fastest lap	NA - New circuit
Race time	NA - New circuit
2012 Winner	NA - New circuit

TYRE SEVERITY RATING

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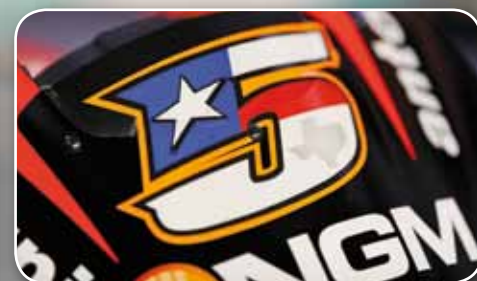
Source : www.motogp.com & Haynes MotoGP Season Review. Information subject to change



FRONT Soft / Medium



REAR Soft / Medium / Hard



FRIDAY, 19TH APRIL

09:00-09:40	Moto3™	Free Practice 1
09:55-10:40	MotoGP™	Free Practice 1
10:55-11:40	Moto2™	Free Practice 1
13:10-13:50	Moto3™	Free Practice 2
14:05-14:50	MotoGP™	Free Practice 2
15:05-15:50	Moto2™	Free Practice 2

SATURDAY, 20TH APRIL

09:00-09:40	Moto3™	Free Practice 3
09:55-10:40	MotoGP™	Free Practice 3
10:55-11:40	Moto2™	Free Practice 3
12:35-13:15	Moto3™	Qualifying
13:30-14:00	MotoGP™	Free Practice 4
14:10-14:25	MotoGP™	Qualifying 1
14:35-14:50	MotoGP™	Qualifying 2
15:05-15:50	Moto2™	Qualifying

SUNDAY, 21ST APRIL

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 (18 laps)
12:20	Moto2™	Race (19 laps)
14:00	MotoGP™	Race (21 laps)

Tyre talk with Shinji Aoki

Manager, Bridgestone Motorsport Tyre Development Division

Austin's Circuit of the Americas welcomes MotoGP for the first time and its impressive layout created a real challenge for tyre development. Like the other American circuits on the calendar it is run in a counter-clockwise directions, and the track is technical with a mix of tight, slower corners and faster, more open sections. These features combine to place a great importance on front-end feel as maintaining good corner speed is critical at this track, so our front tyres need to provide excellent grip characteristics

with plenty of stability, while the rears must give good drive out of the corners.

Our data from testing shows that the faster right-hand corners at the circuit require slightly harder rubber on the right shoulder of the rear slicks for greater stability and durability, so we will bring asymmetric rear slicks at Austin. Front tyre compounds for this race will be soft & medium, while the rear slick compounds for CRT riders will be soft and medium, and for non-CRT riders, medium and hard.



YAMAHA FACTORY RACING

YZR-M1



Jorge Lorenzo #99

Age: 25 DOB: 4/5/1987
Nationality: Spanish
GP Debut: QAT08 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 85 (MotoGP)
Wins: 24 Poles: 26
Fastest laps: 16 Podiums: 61
Points: 1469
Best championship position: 1st (2012*)



Valentino Rossi #46

Age: 34 DOB: 16/2/1979
Nationality: Italian
GP Debut: RSA06 (500cc)
GP Starts: 216 (MotoGP/500cc)
Wins: 79 Poles: 49
Fastest laps: 16 Podiums: 142
Points: 3619
Best championship position: 1st (x7, 2009*)

REPSOL HONDA TEAM

RC213V



Dani Pedrosa #26

Age: 27 DOB: 29/9/1985
Nationality: Spanish
GP Debut: SPA06 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 116 (MotoGP)
Wins: 22 Poles: 24
Fastest laps: 35 Podiums: 71
Points: 1749
Best championship position: 2nd (2012*)



Marc Marquez #93

Age: 20 DOB: 17/2/1993
Nationality: Spanish
GP Debut: QAT13 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 1 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0
Fastest laps: 1 Podiums: 1
Points: 16
Best championship position: NA

CARDION AB MOTORACING

ART



Karel Abraham #17

Age: 23 DOB: 02/01/1990
Nationality: Czech
GP Debut: QAT11 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 31 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0
Podiums: 0 Points: 107
Best championship position: 14th (2012*)

LCR HONDA MOTO GP

RC213V



Stefan Bradl #6

Age: 23 DOB: 29/11/1989
Nationality: German
GP Debut: QAT12 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 19 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0 Fastest laps: 0
Podiums: 0 Points: 126
Best championship position: 8th (2012)

GO & FUN HONDA GRESINI

RC213V / FTR MGP12



Alvaro Bautista #19

Age: 27 DOB: 21/11/1984
Nationality: Spanish
GP Debut: QAT10 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 50 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 1
Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 2
Points: 340
Best championship position: 5th (2012)



Bryan Staring #67

Age: 25 DOB: 1/6/1987
Nationality: British
GP Debut: QAT13 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 1 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0
Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0
Points: 0
Best championship position: NA

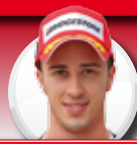
DUCATI TEAM

Desmosedici GP13



Nicky Hayden #69

Age: 31 DOB: 30/7/1981
Nationality: American
GP Debut: JPN03 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 168 (MotoGP)
Wins: 3 Poles: 5
Fastest laps: 7 Podiums: 28
Points: 1516
Best championship position: 1st (2006)

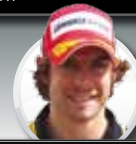


Andrea Dovizioso #4

Age: 27 DOB: 23/3/1986
Nationality: Italian
GP Debut: QAT08 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 88 (MotoGP)
Wins: 1 Poles: 1
Fastest laps: 2 Podiums: 22
Points: 995
Best championship position: 3rd (2011)

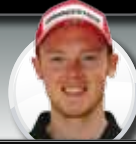
MONSTER YAMAHA TECH3

YZR-M1



Cal Crutchlow #35

Age: 27 DOB: 29/10/1985
Nationality: British
GP Debut: QAT11 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 34 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0
Fastest laps: 1 Podiums: 2
Points: 232
Best championship position: 7th (2012)

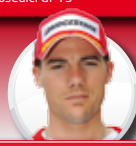


Bradley Smith #38

Age: 22 DOB: 28/11/1990
Nationality: British
GP Debut: QAT13 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 1 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0
Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0
Points: 0
Best championship position: NA

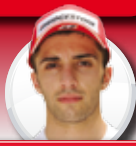
PRAMAC RACING TEAM

Desmosedici GP13



Ben Spies #11

Age: 28 DOB: 11/7/1984
Nationality: American
GP Debut: GBR08 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 53 (MotoGP)
Wins: 1 Poles: 1
Fastest laps: 1 Podiums: 6
Points: 475
Best championship position: 5th (2011)



Andrea Iannone #29

Age: 23 DOB: 9/8/1989
Nationality: Italian
GP Debut: QAT13 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 1 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0
Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0
Points: 7
Best championship position: NA

POWER ELECTRONICS ASPAR

ART



Aleix Espargaro #41

Age: 23 DOB: 30/7/1989
Nationality: Spanish
GP Debut: INP09 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 41 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0
Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0
Points: 160
Best championship position: 12th (2012)



Randy de Puniet #14

Age: 32 DOB: 14/2/1981
Nationality: French
GP Debut: SPA06 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 122 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0
Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 2
Points: 543
Best championship position: 9th (2010)

AVINTIA RACING MOTO GP

FTR-Kawasaki



Hector Barbera #8

Age: 26 DOB: 2/11/1986
Nationality: Spanish
GP Debut: QAT10 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 19 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0
Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0
Points: 258
Best championship position: 11th (2011)



Hiroshi Aoyama #7

Age: 31 DOB: 25/10/1981
Nationality: Japanese
GP Debut: QAT10 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 31 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0
Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0
Points: 155
Best championship position: 10th (2011)

PAUL BIRD MOTORSPORT

PBM-Aprila / ART



Yonny Hernandez #68

Age: 24 DOB: 25/7/1988
Nationality: Colombian
GP Debut: QAT12 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 16 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0
Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0
Points: 30
Best championship position: 17th (2012)



Michael Laverty #70

Age: 31 DOB: 7/6/1981
Nationality: British
GP Debut: QAT13 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 1 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0
Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0
Points: 0
Best championship position: NA

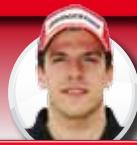
NGM MOBILE FORWARD RACING

FTR-Kawasaki



Colin Edwards #5

Age: 39 DOB: 27/2/1974
Nationality: American
GP Debut: JPN03 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 169 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 3
Fastest laps: 3 Podiums: 12
Points: 1190
Best championship position: 4th (2005)

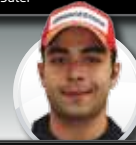


Claudio Corti #71

Age: 25 DOB: 25/6/1987
Nationality: Italian
GP Debut: VAL12 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 2 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0
Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0
Points: 0
Best championship position: NC (2012)

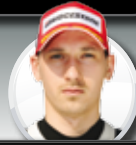
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Ioda-Suter



Danilo Petrucci #9

Age: 22 DOB: 24/10/1990
Nationality: Italian
GP Debut: QAT12 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 19 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0
Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0
Points: 27
Best championship position: 19th (2012)



Lukas Pesek #52

Age: 27 DOB: 22/11/1985
Nationality: Czech
GP Debut: QAT13 (MotoGP)
GP Starts: 1 (MotoGP)
Wins: 0 Poles: 0
Fastest laps: 0 Podiums: 0
Points: 0
Best championship position: NA

Results on Bridgestone tyres

RIDER	TITLES	WIN	2ND	3RD	PODIUM	POLE
Casey Stoner	2	38	10	20	68	38
Jorge Lorenzo	2	23	26	6	55	21
Valentino Rossi	2	17	15	11	43	10
Dani Pedrosa	-	16	18	13	47	14
Loris Capirossi	-	6	7	4	17	5
Makoto Tamada	-	2	1	1	4	3
Andrea Dovizioso	-	1	7	14	22	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
Colin Edwards	-	-	1	1	2	-
Shinya Nakano	-	-	1	1	2	-
Randy de Puniet	-	-	1	1	2	-
Kenny Roberts Jr	-	-	1	-	1	1
Alex de Angelis	-	-	1	-	1	-
Katsuyuki Nakasuga	-	-	1	-	1	-
Oliver Jacque	-	-	1	-	1	-
Nicky Hayden	-	-	-	3	3	-
Alvaro Bautista	-	-	-	2	2	1
Cal Crutchlow	-	-	-	2	2	-
Carlos Checa	-	-	-	2	2	-
Alex Barros	-	-	-	1	1	-
Marc Marquez	-	-	-	1	1	-
Jeremy McWilliams	-	-	-	-	-	1
Sete Gibernau	-	-	-	-	-	1
TOTAL	6	106	103	96	305	104

A record of every pole position, win, podium and World Championship achieved on Bridgestone tyres since the manufacturer's MotoGP debut in 2002.

RACE KEY **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 **•••**: Tyre changes **AC**: Accident **DQ**: Disqualified **RT**: Retired **DNS**: Did not start

CONSTRUCTORS								
1 Yamaha - 25	2 Honda - 16	3 Ducati - 9	4 ART - 5	5 FTR - 3	6 FTR-Kawasaki - -	7 PBM-Aprilia - -	8 Ioda-Suter - -	9 FTR-Honda - -
TEAMS								
1 Yamaha Factory Racing - 45	4 Pramac Racing Team - 13	7 Power Electronics Aspar - 9	10 NGM Mobile Forward Racing - -	13 Cardion AB Motoracing - -				
2 Repsol Honda Team - 29	5 Monster Yamaha Tech3 - 11	8 Avintia Racing MotoGP - 4	11 Came Iodaracing Project - -					
3 Ducati Team - 17	6 Go&Fun Honda Gresini - 10	9 Paul Bird Motorsport - 2	12 LCR Honda MotoGP - -					

Riders for Health and Bridgestone team up

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Bridgestone is proud to announce a partnership with leading international not-for-profit organization Riders for Health in their lifesaving humanitarian efforts to improve health care within Africa.

With Bridgestone's support, Riders will be able to mobilise more health workers enabling them to deliver vital health care to remote rural communities. Bridgestone will provide tyres for the fleet of vehicles managed by Riders for Health, and will also support Riders' fundraising and promotional programme.

Speaking about this exciting new partnership, Riders' CEO and co-founder Andrea Coleman announced

"The partnership with Bridgestone is important and significant. The MotoGP paddock has long supported Riders for Health, raising hundreds of thousands of pounds for our life-saving work across Africa. Now Bridgestone, MotoGP and Riders are showing that tyres are as critical a factor at the highest level of motorsport as they are to reaching the worlds' most neglected people with health care."

Bridgestone Motorsport Manager Hiroshi Yamada is also positive about this new partnership, explaining; "central to Bridgestone's corporate philosophy is supporting those who are socially vulnerable, and by working together with Riders for Health I feel we can

create a real positive change in the global community. It pleases me that Bridgestone and Riders for Health are able to use the popularity of MotoGP to help improve the lives of people in Africa and show that while for most people motorcycling may be a mode of transport, in the right hands a motorcycle can be used to help save lives."



Team news

Bridgestone gets thumbs up from riders

After establishing the superior performance of its MotoGP race tyres, Bridgestone has now focused development of improving the safety aspects of its tyres. At the first round in Qatar, many riders praised the warm-up and grip of their tyres despite large amounts of sand on the track. Speaking at the post-qualifying press conference in Qatar, reigning MotoGP champion Jorge Lorenzo remarked "in the last couple of years the warm-up performance of the Bridgestone tyres has improved a lot, so I feel like I can push 100% from the start of the race."



Aspar pair set sights on CRT crown

Power Electronics Aspar's Aleix Espargaro topped the CRT rankings last year and was eleventh place ahead of teammate Randy de Puniet at the season opener at Qatar. The Aspar pair are once again expected to be the riders to beat again this year among the CRT entrants and after his best-in-class effort at Qatar, a satisfied Espargaro said "We leave here as leaders of the CRT standings, so it was 'job done'."



Marquez makes his mark in Qatar

Repsol Honda's Marc Marquez showed he will be the man to beat for MotoGP Rookie Of The Year honours after he wowed the crowd in Qatar after battling with Dani Pedrosa and Valentino Rossi on his way to third place. Marquez not only found the battle exciting, he revealed he gained valuable insight into how his rivals operate, saying "when I rode behind Dani I learnt a lot, also later on with Valentino. Fighting against Valentino is always nice to watch, but it's always tough at the same time."



Bridgestone Fact

The back straight at Circuit of the Americas is the longest straight on the MotoGP calendar. At 1200 metres, it is 59 metres longer than the main straight at Mugello.

Bridgestone Motorsport Round-up

Super GT Bridgestone had a winning start to the 2013 Super GT season with the RAYBRIG HSV-010 driven by Takuya Izawa and Takashi Kogure emerging victorious for a three-way battle at the season opener at Okayama International Circuit. The Keihin HSV-010 of Koudai Tsukakoshi and Toshihiro Kaneishi finished second as Bridgestone-shod cars claimed three of the top five positions. Speaking after his victory, an elated Izawa-san explained "during the off-season Honda worked hard to develop us a great machine and the people at Bridgestone were also determined to make a strong comeback." The second round of the Super GT championship takes place next weekend at Fuji Speedway.



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