



Pre-Race Schedule
Saturday, January 27, 2018

6:30 a.m.	Yellow garages open
7:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.	DAYTONA 5K Run and Fun Walk
8:30 a.m. - 9:25 a.m.	IMSA on-track activities – IMSA Hot Lap Experience
9:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.	Ferrari Challenge Race #2
10:20 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	DIS on-track activities
10:30 a.m.	WeatherTech Championship Driver & Team Manager Briefing – Track Meeting Room
10:30 a.m. – 10:55 a.m.	Rolex 24 Heritage Exhibition laps
10:55 a.m.	Stage to pit lane start/finish line from Speedway Turn 2 compound after tower's all-clear, leaving lane in front of stage
11:00 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.	IMSA on-track activities – IMSA Hot Lap Experience

11:45 a.m.	GTLM & GTD cars prepared to depart garages for gate 401 at Sunoco pumps in Yellow Garages. Cars to be pushed by crew members. IMSA Officials release GTLM & GTD cars in grid order by class to gate 401 at Sunoco pumps in Yellow Garages to stage on False Grid on Skid Pad.
12:15 p.m.	Prototype (P) cars prepared to depart garages to gate 402 behind IMSA Tech to False Grid on Skid Pad. IMSA Officials release P cars in grid order to False Grid on Skid Pad.
12:30 p.m.	Seabreeze Marching 100 departs Bill France Room for infield; stage with P cars at False Grid on Skid Pad
12:30 p.m.	Live on Vision Screens
12:35 p.m.	GTLM & GTD cars staged in grid order by class at False Grid on Skid Pad.
12:45 p.m.	GTLM & GTD cars pushed into position on the grid echelon style, against predetermined line, driver's right, engines off. GTLM & GTD cars equally dispersed in qualifying order by class, leaving space at Rolex chute (gate 509), UNOH Fanzone (gate 134), yellow garage (gate 132) & stage.
1:00 p.m.	GTLM & GTD drivers (in firesuits) report to back of pre-race stage (notes below) for driver introductions. P cars staged on Skid Pad for driver/team introductions. Gate 402 is ONLY for team/driver access to skid pad. Only crew and drivers are permitted to walk with the cars during pre-race introductions.
1:05 p.m.	Crossover gates A, C, D & E, Rolex chute (gate 509), UNOH Fanzone (gate 134) and yellow garage (gate 132) open for fan access to areas behind pit lane or the football field AFTER GTLM & GTD cars are in place.
1:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.	GTLM & GTD driver introductions begin on the pre-race stage, introduced last to first (GTD then GTLM). All P car drivers (in firesuits) must be staged at skid pad for driver introductions.
1:30 p.m. - 1:40 p.m.	P car procession and introductions begin, led by the IMSA provided Safety Car, with teams pushing the cars from False Grid along pit lane into position on the grid, drivers walking in front of the car; cars introduced single file in reverse grid order, starting with lowest qualifying P car (notes below). Only crew and drivers are permitted to walk with the cars during pre-race introductions.
1:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Gurney 1966 Lola T70 warm up in safety compound Cars are led onto pit lane by the Seabreeze Marching 100 drumline and members holding flags representing home country of each driver. Three (3) IMSA provided parade cars will follow the last P car and park in the fast lane on the east side of the stage for Grand Marshal and IMSA guests.
1:40 p.m.	The grid on both sides of the stage is opened to fans AFTER all the P cars have been pushed into position, echelon style, against pre determined line, driver's right, engines off. (no longer leaving a lane along the starting grid).
1:40 p.m. - 2:10 p.m.	Driver interviews on PA while on the grid
2:00 p.m.	<i>Fox live on air. Approximately at Pit Box #1-2</i>
2:00 p.m.	Gurney 1966 Lola T70 pushed from safety compound into grid position, in front of IMSA Safety Car
2:05 p.m.	PA announcement to clear the football field and pit lane; security begins to help clear.
2:10 p.m.	Gurney 1966 Lola T70 in grid position in front of IMSA Safety Car
2:11 p.m.	Intro DIS President Chip Wile (<i>speaking</i>)
2:12 p.m.	Intro City of Daytona Beach Mayor Derrick Henry (<i>speaking</i>)
2:13 p.m.	Intro Volusia County Chairman Ed Kelley (<i>speaking</i>)
2:14 p.m.	Intro IMSA President Scott Atherton (<i>speaking</i>)
2:15 p.m.	Intro President & CEO of Rolex Watch USA Stewart Wicht (<i>speaking</i>)
2:16 p.m.	Intro Honorary Starter: Niko Setzer, Head of Tire Division & Member of the Executive Board of Continental
2:17 p.m.	Intro Grand Marshal: Chip Ganassi
2:21 p.m.	Call: "Drivers, Teams and Officials in Line Formation" - Min. (6) Uniformed Team members. (<i>over IMSA's radios</i>)
2:21 p.m.	Football field and pit lane cleared; crossover gates closed.
2:21 p.m.	Intro Colors by: Daytona Beach Fire Department Honor Guard
2:21:30 p.m.	Moment of silence for Dan Gurney
2:22 p.m.	Intro Invocation
2:22:15 p.m.	Invocation: Ronnie Barton, First Baptist Church of South Daytona Pastor
2:22:45 p.m.	Introduction of National Anthem
2:23 p.m.	National Anthem: Gina Marie Incandela, Orlando, FL
2:24:30 p.m.	Flyover by USCG MH-65 Helicopter. (Turn 1 to Turn 4)
2:24:30 p.m.	"Drivers in your cars" (<i>over IMSA's radios</i>)
2:25 p.m.	Stage removed from pit lane; on track and bypass infield, exit at Speedway Turn 2 by the pump house. IMSA provided parade car moved to start/finish line on pit lane for command.
2:26:30 p.m.	IMSA five (5) minute warning – "Please cease all work on cars"
2:30:30 p.m.	IMSA one (1) minute warning
2:31:15 p.m.	Command to start engines: Chip Ganassi (start/finish line on pit lane)
2:31:30 p.m.	IMSA dispatches Gurney 1966 Lola T70 for (1 1/4) parade lap, one time by Start/Finish, exiting via Turn 5 driver's left
2:31:45 p.m.	IMSA dispatches three (3) parade cars

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2:32:15 p.m.

2:40 p.m.

IMSA dispatches Safety Car; cars roll off (7:45 for two (2) pace laps), directly on track to Turn 1 and bypass Bus Stop.

Start of 56th Rolex 24 At DAYTONA

2018 Pre-Race Driver/Car Introduction Details

Date: Saturday, January 27

Time: 12:45 p.m.

Prototype

(P) Driver Introductions: 1:15 PM on the Skid Pad at False Grid

Drivers (in firesuits) report to the False Grid at the Skid Pad no later than 1:15 p.m. Cars and drivers are introduced in reverse grid order. Drivers walk to the pre-race stage, across the stage and down the west stairs, rejoin their car on pit lane and walk to their grid location.

(P) Cars:

Cars are released inside the WeatherTech Championship garage area as directed by IMSA Officials and should be staged at gate 402 behind IMSA Tech to stage **no later than 12:15 p.m.** All cars must be in place on the False Grid at the Skid Pad **no later than 1:15 p.m.** Cars and drivers are introduced in reverse grid order. Cars are pushed down the pit lane into grid position with the drivers walking in front of the car (approximately 1:30 p.m.). **Only crew and drivers** are permitted to walk with the cars during pre-race introductions. Family and friends can meet the car & team on the grid once the car is in position.

Note: If your driver's country is different from what is on the entry list, please let DIS know ASAP by emailing.

sschindler@daytonainternationalspeedway.com.

GTD & GTLM

(GTD / GTLM) Driver Introductions: 1:00 PM on pit lane Start/Finish line

Drivers (in firesuits) report to the pre-race stage on the Start/Finish line of pit lane **by 1:00 p.m.** Drivers report to the sign corresponding to their car number. Drivers are introduced across the pre-race stage in reverse grid order. Once introduced across the stage, drivers exit the stage down the west stairs and walk to their grid location.

(GTD / GTLM) Cars:

Cars are released inside the WeatherTech Championship garage area as directed by IMSA Officials and staged at gate 401 **no later than 11:45 a.m.** Teams push their car from the garage, to the False Grid, down pit lane, against pre-determined line, driver's right, echelon style, engines off, as directed by IMSA Officials. Once all cars are in place, fans will be permitted access to this portion of the grid, leaving the fast lane (lane closest to the grass) open for Prototype introductions.

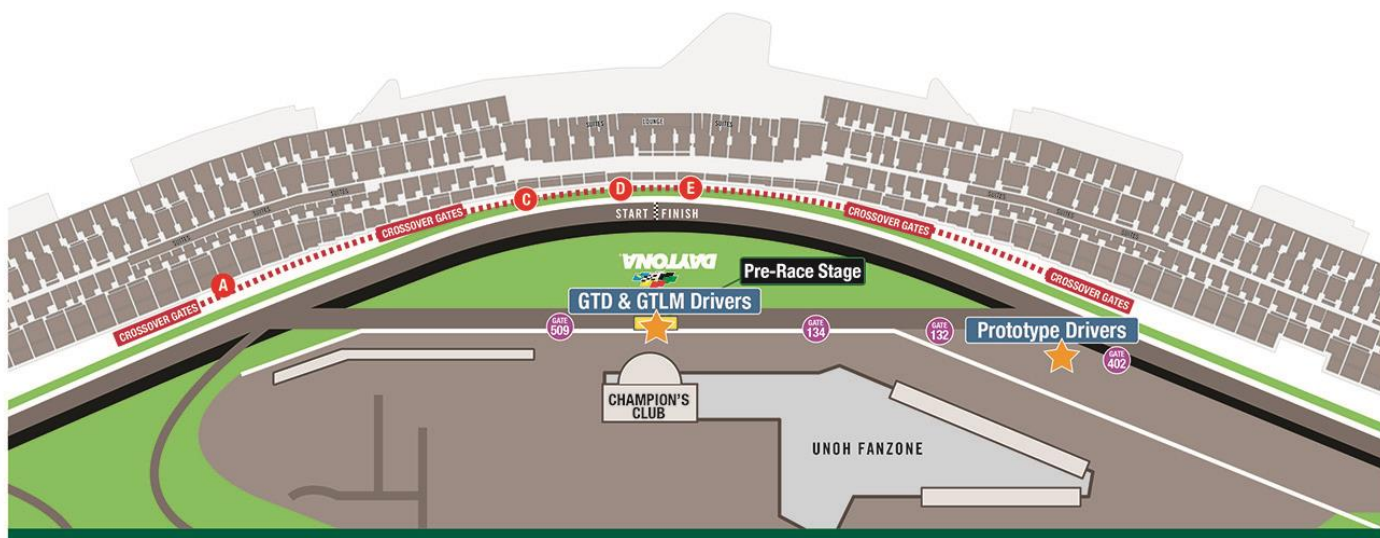
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DRIVER PRE-RACE REPORTING LOCATIONS:

GTD & GTLM DRIVERS: PRE-RACE STAGE, 1:00PM

PROTOTYPE DRIVERS: GATE 402/SKID PAD, 1:15PM