



WOMEN'S WILDCARD RULEBOOK

Version 1.1



Presenting Partner

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1. INTRODUCTION

This is the official rulebook of the F1 Esports Series 2022 Women's Wildcard qualification route ("**Women's Wildcard**" or "**Wildcard**") and is supplementary to the F1 Esports Series 2022 Qualification Rulebook (available at <https://f1esports.com.rules>). This rulebook governs the operation of the Women's Wildcard and applies to all participants ("**Participants**" and each a "**Participant**"). By taking part in the Wildcard, all Participants agree that it is governed by, and that they will abide by, the Terms and Conditions (as defined in paragraph 2.2).

The Women's Wildcard is a female-only qualification route into the F1 Esports Series 2022 Pro Exhibition, where F1® teams will be scouting talent to add to their rosters for this year's Pro Championship, scheduled to start in the autumn. The Women's Wildcard will be open to female competitors only, and consists of two stages of competition - a remote, offline Time-Trial stage followed by a LAN based Head-to-Head stage (as defined in Section 8 and Section 9 respectively). The Time-Trial stage shall involve drivers competing to set the fastest lap times on the official F1® 2021 video game, developed by Codemasters, across a one-week window from 31 May to 6 June. Up to 5 drivers from the Time-Trial shall then be invited to attend a physical, LAN-based racing competition at the Silverstone Circuit where they will race-off head-to-head to determine who goes through to the Pro Exhibition.

Whilst previous F1® Esports events, such as the Virtual Grands Prix, have had female participants, there has never been a female driver competing in the professional ranks of the F1 Esports Series. This is the sport's female-only competition, which Formula 1® hope will encourage more drivers from the passionate and talented female sim-racing community to engage with the F1 Esports Series at a grassroots level, and dream of becoming the first ever female driver to be signed by an Official F1 Esports Series Team to race in the Pro Championship.

The Women's Wildcard is open to anyone who is eligible to take part in accordance with this rulebook ("**Women's Wildcard Rulebook**" or "**Rulebook**") (in particular, you will need a copy of the official F1™ 2021 game developed by Codemasters on PC, PlayStation or Xbox (the "**Game**") with either an Xbox Live, PlayStation Network or Steam account (as detailed in Section 3.3) and have gone through the online registration process). You are not eligible to participate if you are under 16 years of age at the time of entry.

The Women's Wildcard shall determine one qualifying participant to progress to the next round of the F1 Esports Series 2022, being the "**Pro Exhibition**", where they will be joined by other participants who have progressed through different 2022 Qualification routes (as detailed in the F1 Esports Series 2022 Qualification rulebook) (together the "**Pro Exhibition Participants**").

The Pro Exhibition shall provide the Pro Exhibition Participants with the chance to impress the ten official F1 Esports Teams in the hope of being offered the chance to represent a team in the third and final round of the F1 Esports Series, the "**Pro Championship**".

Drivers who complete the Pro Exhibition automatically become eligible to race for a Team in the Pro Championship. Please note, however, that eligibility to race in the Pro Exhibition and Pro Championship is subject to the terms of the rulebooks which govern those stages of competition (which shall be made

available at <https://f1esports.com/rules> in due course) and participation in the Pro Exhibition is in no way a guarantee of being offered a chance by a Team to race in the Pro Championship.

Formula One Digital Media Limited ("Formula 1" or "F1") reserves its rights to alter, amend or supplement this Rulebook from time to time and without notice, as it considers desirable to do so.

2. PROMOTER AND TERMS OF ENTRY

- 2.1. The promoter and operator of the F1 Esports Series (including the Women's Wildcard) is Formula 1.
- 2.2. By entering the Wildcard each participant ("**Driver**" or "**Participant**") accepts the following terms and conditions (together the "**Terms and Conditions**"):
 - a) this Women's Wildcard Rulebook, the 2022 Qualification Rulebook, the Pro Exhibition Rulebook and the Pro Championship Rulebook (together the "**Sporting Rules**"), all of which shall be made available at <https://f1esports.com/rules>;
 - b) the Competition and Prize Rules which shall be made available at <https://f1esports.com/rules>;
 - c) the Handbook for Drivers, Teams and other participants which can be found at <https://f1esports.com/rules>;
 - d) Any official instructions or supplementary regulations issued by Formula 1; and
 - e) the terms of use and the privacy policy of the official Formula 1 at <https://f1esports.com> as updated from time to time, which are available at <https://f1esports.com/legal-notice>. Please note that any other website used in relation to the F1 Esports Series will also have terms of use, which will apply to a Driver's use of such site and Formula 1 is able to take no responsibility for such site(s), their terms or use or any related liability.
- 2.3. All Drivers (and, additionally, in the case of any Driver under the Eligible Age (as set out in Section 3.5), his/her parent or guardian) who participate and in the Women's Wildcard Head-to-Head will be required to enter into a written contract as a pre-condition to participating, and such contract will include:
 - a) the Terms and Conditions (to the extent they apply to a particular Driver);
 - b) an acknowledgement that elements of the Women's Wildcard and the Pro Exhibition will be filmed and that Formula 1, its group companies and their licensees will be entitled to use and exploit footage of the F1 Esports Series in its discretion;
 - c) agreeing to participate in publicity and media activities relating to the F1 Esports Series; and
 - d) consenting to Formula 1, its group companies and their licensees using the qualifying Driver's name, voice, image, brand, slogan, likeness, photographs, images (still and moving), biography, statistics and performance in the F1 Esports Series and assigning any intellectual property created during the F1 Esports Series (as the case may be).
- 2.4. In respect of the Women's Wildcard, if there is any conflict between the 2022 Qualification Rulebook, the Participant's Handbook and this Women's Wildcard Rulebook, then this Rulebook shall prevail.

3. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1. All Drivers must meet all requirements in this Section in their entirety to be eligible to participate in the Women's Wildcard. Any Driver who does not meet such requirements shall be deemed ineligible and may be removed from the F1 Esports Series unless and until such time as Formula 1 is satisfied that all eligibility criteria has been met. Drivers agree that Formula 1 can investigate and take such other action as it may reasonably require in determining eligibility.
- 3.2. The Women's Wildcard is open to female residents of all countries where the Game and/or the F1 Esports Series is not prohibited or unlawful (each Driver to satisfy themselves as to whether this condition is met) except:
- a) persons who are under the age of sixteen (16) years;
 - b) employees and agents of Formula 1 and/or their respective parent, subsidiary and affiliated companies, and each of their respective advertising/promotion agencies;
 - c) anyone involved in and/or connected to the organisation and running of the F1 Esports Series and/or the Game in any way; and
 - d) the immediate family members of any of the persons set forth in (b) or (c) above (and for these purposes "immediate family members" shall mean parents, step-parents, children, step-children, siblings or spouses).
- 3.3. A Driver is only eligible to participate in the Women's Wildcard if they have:
- a) a PS4, PS4 Pro, PS5, Xbox One, Xbox One S, Xbox One X, Xbox Series X/S, suitable Windows PC or any other platform that the Game is publicly available on;
 - b) PSN Membership, Steam Account or Xbox Live Gold Membership (or such other online membership relevant to their platform and which is required for them to play the Game online);
 - c) a copy of the Game for the relevant platform (updated to the latest version of the Game publicly available on the relevant platform at the time they participate in the Wildcard); and
 - d) a broadband internet connection.
- 3.4. In registering to participate in the F1 Esports Series each Driver confirms that they:
- a) are eligible to do so and eligible to claim any prize that they may win;
 - b) fully and unconditionally agrees to and undertakes to comply with this Rulebook (and all other agreements, rules and policies referred to in this Rulebook) and any instruction of Formula 1 (and/or its nominee) in relation to the Game and/or F1 Esports Series; and
 - c) accept that decisions of Formula 1 regarding all matters relating to the F1 Esports Series and/or Game are final and binding.
- 3.5. If a Driver is aged under eighteen (18) years of age or such higher majority in any relevant jurisdiction in respect of any applicable law or regulation (the '**Eligible Age**') at the time of registration, they agree that Section 5 applies and has been complied with.

4. RESTRICTED INDIVIDUALS

- 4.1. In light of the Russian military invasion of Ukraine and the events flowing from it, until further notice all esports drivers and officials of Russian or Belarusian nationality who are domiciled or resident in Russia or Belarus are forthwith prohibited from participating in the F1 Esports Series.
- 4.2. Individuals of Russian or Belarusian nationality may participate in the Pro Exhibition provided that such individuals are not currently domiciled or resident in either Russia or Belarus ("**Affected Drivers**") and only on the terms and conditions set out below.
- 4.3. In order to participate in the Pro Exhibition, Affected Drivers agree, as a condition of being permitted to participate in the Pro Exhibition, to comply with the following:
 - a) Affected Drivers may only participate in the Pro Exhibition in an individual and neutral capacity, and not in any way as a representative of Russia or Belarus;
 - b) Affected Drivers will not display any Russian or Belarusian national or military symbols, colours, or flags at the Pro Exhibition, any associated events or via social media associated with the Pro Exhibition;
 - c) Affected Drivers will not display on any uniforms, clothing, accessories, or other personal items, or on any equipment or simulators at any time in connection with their participation in the Pro Exhibition or otherwise in their capacity as a participant in the Pro Exhibition:
 - i. the Russian or Belarusian flag (current or historic);
 - ii. any military symbol relating to the Russian or Belarusian military;
 - iii. any national emblem or other national symbol of Russia/ Belarus (e.g. coat of arms of Russia/double headed eagle of Russia);
 - iv. the word "Russian", "Russia", "Belarus", "Belarusian", "Russian Automobile Federation", "Belarusian Automobile Federation" or the acronyms "RUS" or "RAF" or "BAF", "FBA", "BLR" in any language or format; or
 - v. the emblem or the Russian Automobile federation ("**RAF**") or the Belarusian Automobile Federation ("**BAF**") in any language or format.
- 4.4. Affected Drivers acknowledge that no Russian or Belarusian national anthems will be played at the Pro Exhibition. Affected Drivers will not play or sing the Russian or Belarusian national anthem during the Pro Exhibition or at any official event venue or other area controlled by Formula 1, or otherwise in connection with their participation in the Pro Exhibition or otherwise in their capacity as a participant in the Pro Exhibition.
- 4.5. Affected Drivers shall not make any statements or comments on social media or otherwise, or take any actions, or conduct themselves in a manner that is prejudicial to the interests of Formula 1, any Formula 1 competition, and/or motorsports or esports generally. In particular, Affected Drivers shall not express any support (direct or indirect) for the Russian and/or Belarusian activities in respect of Ukraine on any medium.
- 4.6. Affected Drivers shall comply at all times with any applicable sanctions regime.

- 4.7. Affected Drivers acknowledge and agree that any refusal or failure to comply with this Pro Exhibition Rulebook may result in the imposition of a penalty or sanction as determined by Formula 1 at its discretion.
- 4.8. Affected Drivers acknowledge and accept that Formula 1 and/or its partners may implement further measures or issue further decisions in relation to Affected Drivers' participation in the Pro Exhibition in light of the ongoing conflict in Ukraine, including the right to refuse Affected Drivers entries into or prevent such Drivers from participating in and/or attending the Pro Exhibition or any related event. The Affected Drivers acknowledge and agree that they will comply with any such further measures and decisions related to the foregoing.

5. MINORS

- 5.1. If a Driver is under the Eligible Age at the time of registration, they must obtain written parental or guardian consent to enter the F1 Esports Series and claim any prize. F1 may ask any Driver to provide proof of age and/or any relevant consent at any time.
- 5.2. A Driver is not eligible to enter the F1 Esports Series if they are under sixteen (16) years of age at the time of entry.
- 5.3. In providing parental or guardian consent in accordance with Section 5.1, such parent or guardian acknowledges that they have read and agree to the Terms and Conditions.
- 5.4. If a Driver is under the Eligible Age at the time of the Head-to-Head stage and such Driver qualifies to participate in the Head-to-Head stage, their parent/guardian must travel with the Driver and physically accompany them to, and at, any event(s) requiring physical attendance, including the Head-to-Head stage and the Pro Exhibition (plus any related media activity).

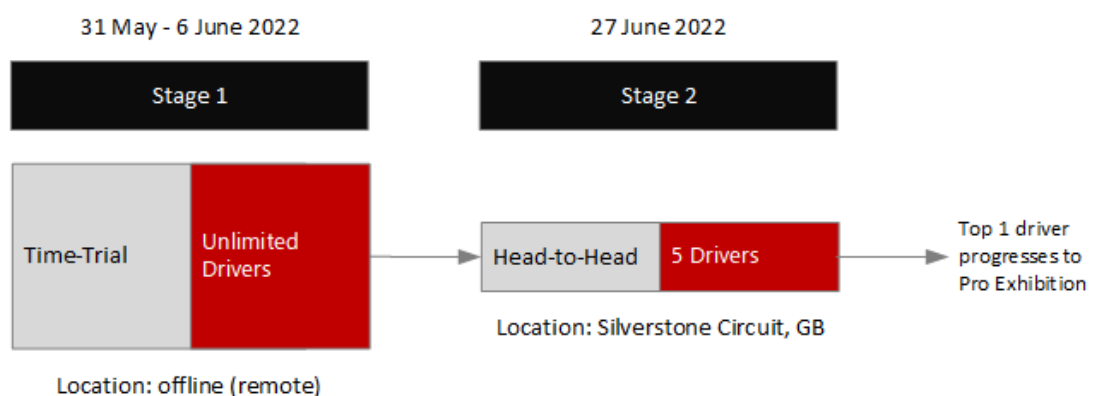
6. HOW TO ENTER

- 6.1. Other than satisfying the eligibility criteria, no purchase of any item or service is necessary in order to enter the F1 Esports Series and no payment is required from Drivers to enter. Only entries received in accordance with the Terms and Conditions will be accepted.
- 6.2. To enter the Women's Wildcard, each Driver must have a registered account at <https://f1esports.com> (the "**Website**"). There is no charge to register for use of the Website.
- 6.3. During the registration process, each Driver will be asked to provide his/her name, email address, nationality, date of birth and to select a username and password, and input their respective Xbox Live, PSN or Steam gamertag(s). Drivers may be asked to submit additional information. Any personal information which the Drivers submit will be controlled and used in accordance with Section 11.
- 6.4. Formula 1 reserves the right to refuse a "driver name" that Formula 1, in its sole opinion, determines is inappropriate, offensive or does not otherwise comply with the Terms and Conditions. Notwithstanding the foregoing and without prejudice to any of its other rights, Formula 1 reserves the right to delete the account of a Driver who breaches this requirement without notice. Any such decision to do so by Formula 1 is final.

- 6.5. Entries correctly submitted via the Website will result in an acceptance message on the Website confirming their entry.
- 6.6. To participate, each Driver must sign into the Website and register their relevant device/console (that complies with Section 3.3) so that they are ready to participate.
- 6.7. Formula 1 nor any of their employees, agents or representatives shall be responsible for:
- any actions taken using a Driver's password (and the Driver is responsible for the safety and security of his/her password);
 - any entries which are delayed in transit, regardless of cause, including, for example, because of equipment failure, technical malfunction, systems, satellite, network, server, computer hardware or software failure of any kind; or
 - lost, late, incomplete, damaged, stolen, invalid, unintelligible or misdirected entries, which will be disqualified.
- 6.8. Once submitted, entries become the sole property of Formula 1. Formula 1's computer record of the entry will be considered the official entry. In the event of a dispute as to any entry, the authorised account holder of the email address used to register will be deemed to be the entrant to the F1 Esports Series (and will be used to match the registration of the device/console on the Website).
- 6.9. Drivers can register (in accordance with this Section 6) anytime up to the expiration of the Women's Wildcard Time-Trial Window (as defined in Section 8.5), however all attempts at the Time-Trial must be completed by that time. All attempts completed after the expiration of the Women's Wildcard Time-Trial window shall be invalid and no score shall be registered in respect of that attempt.
- 6.10. Driver shall only be eligible to participate in the Wildcard from the point they complete the registration process as detailed in this Section 6.
- 6.11. If a Driver registers after the end of the Women's Wildcard Time-Trial Window then such registration shall be disregarded for the purposes of the Women's Wildcard.

7. GENERAL STRUCTURE

- 7.1. The Women's Wildcard is a two-stage competition involving a on offline (remote) time trial followed by a LAN-based racing competition, as follows:



- 7.2. F1 reserves the right to alter the Wildcard dates, locations and the number of qualifiers at any time and without advance notice.

- 7.3. The Women's Wildcard is open to all female drivers who satisfy the eligibility criteria detailed in Section 3, except for drivers who have already qualified or been invited to the Pro Exhibition (via 2022 Qualification or otherwise).
- 7.4. Over the course of the Women's Wildcard, Drivers represent their own skills and abilities.

8. TIME-TRIAL

- 8.1. The Women's Wildcard Time-Trial stage ("Time-Trial") is an offline time trial competition involving drivers setting a lap time around a specific track in the Game, with the objective being to record the best single lap time.
- 8.2. Drivers may participate in the Time-Trial on any Platform providing they have registered that device on the Website.
- 8.3. To participate in the Time-Trial, Participants must start the Game (on their chosen platform). Once the Game has loaded onto the main menu, Participants must navigate to 'Time Trial' which can be found under 'Solo'. In the sub menu, each Participant must select "F1 2021", then select a car of their choice. Once a car is selected, Participants must navigate to the required track and configure the game settings (as detailed in Section 8.4). Participants must start the "Time Trial" mode to participate in the Wildcard.
- 8.4. Whilst participating in the Time-Trial, settings including circuit and conditions need to be set as follows:
- a) Category = F1 2021
 - b) Car = Any
 - c) Assists = None
 - d) Weather = Dry
 - e) Track = Circuit de Barcelona-Catalunya, Spain
- 8.5. The Time-Trial shall run as follows (the "Time-Trial Window") (all times are BST) (note that F1 reserves the right to alter the Wildcard dates at any time and without advance notice):

DATE	TRACK	CAR
00:00 31 May – 23:59 6 June 2022	Barcelona-Catalunya, Spain	F1 2021 (any team)

- 8.6. Video evidence of a Wildcard attempt (with the items mentioned in Section 8.7 visible throughout) must be submitted, along with photographic evidence (as defined in Section 8.8), for an attempt to be considered valid. This will ensure each Participant shall be competing under the same track conditions and car settings and that no rule(s) has been broken.
- 8.7. Participants must submit video evidence of their fastest lap, which meets the following requirements:
- a) Gamertag and live timing need to be viewable during the entirety of the lap.
 - b) Gamertag must be the same gamertag used to register on the Website.
 - c) Lap time must be viewable at the end of the lap.
 - d) It is not permitted to record the in-game replay of the lap.

- 8.8. Participants must submit a screenshot of their lap time, taken from the end-of-session screen (i.e. when they are notified of their lap time on the playing screen when they finish the event - not the leaderboard screen), similar to the example image below. Participants must ensure to include the full screen in the image, and that the username, session best lap time, and the icons for assists used, are clearly visible.



Example of screenshot taken from the end-of-session screen in the Game.

- 8.9. Video footage together with a screenshot of a Participants fastest lap should be submitted to support@f1esports.com by no later than 24 hours from the end of the Wildcard Event Window.
- 8.10. Times set outside of the Wildcard Event Window will not be accepted.
- 8.11. Any lap time set that appears to benefit from a glitch or exploit, including but not limited to leaving the track without the game automatically invalidating the lap, will be declared void by Formula 1. It is strongly recommended that Participants retain the video of their lap attempt in case the validity of their entry is challenged, however Formula 1's decision shall be final.
- 8.12. Drivers are responsible for their own hardware when participating in the Women's Wildcard Time-Trial.
- 8.13. In Formula 1's sole determination, up to 5 Participants with the quickest valid lap times shall be invited to the Head-to-Head stage (maximum of 5 Drivers in total).
- 8.14. If a Participant ties on Lap Time with another Participant, the Participant who submitted the respective lap time first will be considered higher-placed.

9. HEAD-TO-HEAD

- 9.1. The Head-to-Head stage is a 1-day, LAN based racing competition ("Head-to-Head") involving up to 5 Drivers who have progressed through the Time-Trial stage ("Head-to-Head Drivers").

- 9.2. In addition to the Head-to-Head stage, Head-to-Head Drivers may be invited to participate in experiential activities (for example, go karting and attending the Formula 1 Pirelli British GP) and asked to attend media related activities during the Head-to-Head and the Pro Exhibition, as follows:

DATE	ACTIVITY	VENUE
27 June 2022	Head-to-Head stage	Silverstone Circuit, United Kingdom
28 June 2022	Pro Exhibition day 1	Silverstone Circuit, United Kingdom
29 June 2022	Pro Exhibition day 2	Silverstone Circuit, United Kingdom
30 June 2022	Go-karting	Milton Keynes, United Kingdom
1 July 2022	Formula 1 Pirelli British GP Practice	Silverstone Circuit, United Kingdom
2 July 2022	Formula 1 Pirelli British GP Qualifying	Silverstone Circuit, United Kingdom
3 July 2022	Formula 1 Pirelli British GP Race	Silverstone Circuit, United Kingdom

- 9.3. The Head-to-Head stage involves a mini championship across three races, as follows:

RACE	QUALIFYING FORMAT	RACE DISTANCE	WEATHER	TRACK
Race 1	Short (18 mins)	Short (5 laps)	Clear (Dry)	Sakhir, Bahrain
Race 2	Short (18 mins)	Short (5 laps)	Wet	Spielberg, Austria
Race 3	One-shot	Short (5 laps)	Clear (Dry)	Sao Paulo, Brazil

- 9.4. Following the conclusion of each race, Formula 1 may issue warnings and penalties (in accordance with the Participant's Handbook) for any rule breaking, which shall be reflected in the final race classifications and such warnings and penalties are final and are not open to appeal.
- 9.5. Following the conclusion of each race, Drivers shall be awarded points depending upon their position in the final race classification, as follows:

POSITION	POINTS
1	3
2	2
3	1

- 9.6. Following the conclusion of each race, an additional one (1) point shall be awarded to the Driver who qualified first on the grid for that race.
- 9.7. Following the awarding of points detailed at Section 9.5 and Section 9.6, a Driver's aggregate points over all races shall be their "**Championship Points**".
- 9.8. In the event that a Driver ties on points with another Driver following the completion of all races, the Driver whose aggregate number of race wins (i.e. the number of race wins from all completed races combined) is greater will be considered higher-placed. If such aggregate number of race wins is the same then the Driver whose aggregate number of 2nd place finishes (i.e. the number of

times the respective Driver finished in 2nd place in all completed races combined) is greater will be considered higher-placed. If such aggregate number of 2nd place finishes is the same then the aggregate number of 3rd place finishes will be considered, and so on. In cases where two or more Drivers finish with the same aggregate placing after all finishing positions have been considered then the Driver who first achieved the highest race finish shall be considered higher-placed.

- 9.9. Races shall be run at a distance of 5 laps.
- 9.10. A qualifying session shall determine the grid for each race. Refer to Section 9.3 for qualifying session lengths.
- 9.11. Races shall be configured in accordance with Schedule I.
- 9.12. In-game weather shall be fixed in accordance with Section 9.3.
- 9.13. Following the completion of all races in the Head-to-Head stage, and in F1's sole determination, the best placed Driver shall be declared the overall winner of the Women's Wildcard and shall be invited to participate in the Pro Exhibition.
- 9.14. Drivers who have not progressed to the Pro Exhibition shall be considered eliminated from the Women's Wildcard (and Pro Exhibition) but may still be invited to participate in experiential activities and/or media related activities.
- 9.15. A schedule, detailing when Head-to-Head Drivers are required and the times of sessions, shall be issued to Head-to-Head Drivers in due course.
- 9.16. Formula 1 may change the dates and venue of the Head-to-Head stage in its sole discretion but, if it does so, it shall notify the respective Drivers as soon as reasonably practicable.
- 9.17. To be eligible to participate in the Women's Wildcard Head-to-Head stage, Drivers must have progressed through the Women's Wildcard Time-Trial.
- 9.18. The Head-to-Head stage is a private, LAN based racing competition and Head-to-Head Drivers must be available to physically attend the venue where the Pro Exhibition (and Head-to-Head stage) is being held, plus any other obligations regarding the F1 Esports Series, for the entirety of the Head-to-Head stage and the Pro Exhibition (plus any related media activity). Head-to-Head Drivers must also allocate additional time for travelling to and from the venue, which may or may not include several day's travel.
- 9.19. During the Head-to-Head stage, non-approved personnel are not permitted on site. Drivers may request parents/guardians to have access to the event as spectators but their attendance is not guaranteed unless the Driver is under the Eligible Age.
- 9.20. Where a Driver is unable to attend the Head-to-Head stage, or unable to demonstrate to F1's satisfaction that they are willing and able to attend and participate in the Pro Exhibition, or where reasonably necessary for contractual, disciplinary, operational, performance, or similar reasons, F1 reserves the right to replace (or not) such Driver with an alternative driver based on skill and performance.
- 9.21. F1 may, without notice, if circumstances necessitate (for example, unprofessional behaviour, refusal to participate or failure to satisfy the eligibility criteria), replace a Driver in the Head-to-Head stage with another Driver from the Women's Wildcard Time-Trial to participate in the Head-to-Head stage, in its sole discretion (based on performance and speed).

9.22. Officials shall provide, and Drivers will exclusively use, equipment including those in the following categories for the Head-to-Head racing:

- a) PC & monitor;
 - b) Headset and/or earbuds and/or microphone;
 - c) Racing rig (cockpit); and
 - d) Steering wheel and pedals.
- (together the "**Racing Station**")

9.23. All Racing Stations shall be the same in all material respects. Such allocation shall be chosen, selected and determined by Formula 1 in its sole discretion.

9.24. Drivers may not use any Racing Stations not assigned to them by Formula 1.

9.25. Drivers are permitted to configure their equipment within the pre-set parameters allowed by the Racing Station only.

9.26. Drivers shall have designated blocks of time prior to their respective racing time to ensure they are fully prepared (each a "**Setup Period**"). Officials will inform Drivers of their scheduled Setup Period and duration as part of their racing schedule. Officials may change the racing schedule at any time.

9.27. Setup Periods comprise the following:

- a) verifying the quality of all equipment provided by F1;
- b) connecting and configuring peripherals;
- c) ensuring proper function of all peripherals;
- d) adjusting peripheral and in-game settings; and
- e) limited in-game warm-up

9.28. It is expected that Drivers will resolve any issues with their Racing Stations within the allotted time and that the respective Setup Period and/or Session shall start or end (as the case may be) at the scheduled time.

9.29. Drivers shall have access to Racing Stations during allotted Setup Periods only. At all other times, Drivers are expected to vacate their Racing Station and withdraw from the stage area unless otherwise directed by an Official.

9.30. Drivers are not permitted to remove any equipment from the stage.

9.31. Any technical issue found by a Driver must be raised immediately with an Official.

9.32. If equipment or technical problems are suspected by an Official then a Driver or Official may request a technical review of the situation, where a F1 Esports technician will diagnose and troubleshoot problems, as needed. Technicians may, at their discretion, request that Officials order replacement of any problem equipment. Decisions regarding the replacement of any equipment lie solely with Officials.

9.33. Formula 1 may test Racing Stations at any time and without notice to ensure the environment is setup correctly.

9.34. Any Driver who suffers a disconnect / drops from the game lobby during an active session shall not be permitted to re-join unless otherwise instructed by an Official.

9.35. Phones and other recording/capturing devices are not permitted on the F1 Esports set during events. Participants found to be capturing imagery or footage of, or be in possession of, any

protected intellectual property, confidential information or know-how, during events or otherwise, may be penalised in accordance with the Participant's Handbook.

9.36. Any Driver in breach of equipment rules may be penalised in accordance with the Participant's Handbook.

10. CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

10.1. By registering and (if applicable) participating in the F1 Esports Series, Drivers agree and consent to the use and reproduction by or on behalf of Formula 1 of their name, voice, brand, still and moving (including photographic) images and/or comments relating to the F1 Esports Series without limitation for such promotional, merchandising, marketing and publicity purposes of Formula 1 in any and all media worldwide without notice to them and without any fee being paid to them and further agree to take part in such media, marketing and publicity requirements of Formula 1 relating to the F1 Esports Series (acting reasonably).

10.2. Drivers shall not do, or permit anything to be done, which might adversely affect any of Formula 1's commercial rights or the value of the commercial rights and shall not be entitled to exploit any commercial or other agreement (including the endorsement and/or promotion of a competitor's products or services,) other than as agreed with Formula 1.

10.3. Stages of the F1 Esports Series will be filmed and broadcast and each Driver acknowledges and agrees that Formula 1 shall be entitled to use any such footage in its discretion.

10.4. Drivers agree to conduct themselves in a manner that reflects positively on the F1 Esports Series and Formula 1 in all respects and abide by the Terms and Conditions at all times. Drivers should check all applicable rules and the Website prior to any event to ensure they are in compliance with any and all rules at all times.

10.5. Drivers acknowledge that all decisions by Formula 1 in respect of the Sporting Rules (including this Rulebook) shall be final and are not open to dispute or legal challenge.

11. PERSONAL INFORMATION

11.1. By entering the F1 Esports Series in whatever manner (i.e. through 2022 Qualification, the Women's Wildcard or by invitation from Formula 1), each Driver agrees that any personal information provided by a Driver shall be:

- a) controlled and processed in accordance with Formula 1's current F1 Esports Series published Privacy Policy (found at <https://f1esports.com/legal-notice>);
- b) used by Formula 1 and their respective agents and suppliers to administer the F1 Esports Series, send out prizes and to enable Formula 1 to promote the F1 Esports Series in any media (including, without limitation, television and online broadcast, publishing channels and on Formula 1's and its partners' social media pages) and in any other manner to which a Driver has expressly consented to;
- c) passed on to any Formula 1 partner in a manner to which a Driver has consented to and used for any additional activities that you have consented to, for example, if a Driver has agreed that

Formula 1's partners can contact them, then their data will also be used in accordance with such consents; and

- d) shared with Teams and organisations involved in any F1 Esports Series (including the F1 Esports Series 2022) but only in the manner a Driver has consented to.

12. LIMITATION ON LIABILITY

- 12.1. Formula 1 accepts no responsibility for any costs associated with any prizes, or a Driver's participation in the F1 Esports Series, that are not expressly stated to be its responsibility in the Terms and Conditions. Additionally, each prize winner is solely responsible for all applicable federal, state and local taxes, including taxes imposed on their income.
- 12.2. Formula 1 accepts no responsibility for any damage, loss, liabilities, injury or disappointment incurred or suffered by a Driver as a result of participating in the F1 Esports Series or accepting any prize. F1 further disclaims any liability for any injury or damage to your or any other person's computer relating to or resulting from participation in or downloading any materials in connection with the F1 Esports Series, save to the extent that (i) death or personal injury is caused by F1's negligence; (ii) such liability arises from fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation; or (iii) for any other reason or by any cause which cannot be excluded by law.
- 12.3. Formula 1 shall not be liable for any failure to comply with its obligations relating to the F1 Esports Series where the failure is caused by something outside its reasonable control. Such circumstances shall include, but not be limited to, weather conditions, fire, flood, hurricane, strike, industrial dispute, war, hostilities, political unrest, riots, civil commotion, viral outbreak, inevitable accidents, supervening legislation or any other circumstances amounting to force majeure.
- 12.4. Formula 1 reserves the right to modify the Sporting Rules at any time. This includes changes due to software updates or releases, and any other change deemed necessary by Formula 1.
- 12.5. This Women's Wildcard Rulebook will be applied by Formula 1 in such a manner to ensure the spirit of the Formula 1 Esports Series is upheld.

13. CANCELLATION

- 13.1. If cheating, a virus, bug, catastrophic event, or any other unforeseen or unexpected event that cannot be reasonably anticipated or controlled affects the fairness and / or integrity of the F1 Esports Series, Formula 1 reserve the right to cancel, change or suspend the F1 Esports Series, either in part or in full. This right is reserved whether the event is due to human or technical error.
- 13.2. Formula 1 reserves the right, at any time, to modify or discontinue, temporarily or permanently, the F1 Esports Series, with or without prior notice, for reasons outside its reasonable control (including, without limitation, in the case of anticipated, suspected or actual fraud, cheating, any computer virus, bug, or any catastrophic event). In the event that Formula 1 permanently discontinues the F1 Esports Series pursuant to this paragraph, Drivers shall be released from their obligations to Formula 1 under the Sporting Rules.

14. SCHEDULE 1 - RACE SETTINGS

SECTION	NAME	VALUE
Lobby Options	Maximum Players	22
	Session Privacy	Invite Only
	Lobby Tag	Best of the best
	Car Category	F1 2021
	Car Setup	Full
	Car Performance	Equal
Assist Restrictions	Steering Assist	Off
	Braking Assist	Off
	Anti-Lock Brakes	Off
	Tracking Control	Off
	Dynamic Racing Line	Off
	Gearbox	Manual
	Pit Assist	Off
	Pit Release Assist	Off
	ERS Assist	Off
	DRS Assist	Off
Track Select	Track	<i>Round dependant</i>
Weekend Structure	Practice Format	None
	Qualifying Format	<i>Round dependant</i>
	Session Length	Short (5 laps)
	Starting Grid	Qualifying
Weather and Time of Day	Quick Weather	<i>Round dependant</i>
	Session Start Time	Realistic
	Forecast Accuracy	Perfect
Rules & Flags	Rules and Flags	On
	Corner Cutting Stringency	Strict
	Parc Ferme Rules	On
	Safety Car	Off
	Formation Lap	On
Simulation Settings	AI Difficulty	90
	Surface Type	Realistic
	Recovery Mode	None

	Car Damage	Standard
	Car Damage Rate	Standard
	Low Fuel Mode	Hard
	Race Starts	Manual
	Collisions	On
	Ghosting	On
	Tyre Temperature	Surface & Carcass
	Pit Lane Tyre Temperature	Off
	Unsafe Pit Release	On



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