

Friday 3 September 2021

**Hauger beats Schumacher to pole with sensational late lap in Zandvoort**

Championship leader Dennis Hauger pulled off a spectacular late lap to deny David Schumacher pole for the first time in Formula 3 and get his title bid back on track after a difficult Round 5 in Spa. Missing out on pole to the PREMA by a tenth, the Trident driver will start from the front row for the first time ahead of MP Motorsport's Victor Martins.

Ayumu Iwasa's Hitech Grand Prix led the cars around for their first tour of Zandvoort in Qualifying, but it was Jack Doohan who topped the order at the end of the first flying laps, the Trident racer beating Frederik Vesti with a time of 1:25.630.

A few of the field dived in for fresh rubber with 20 minutes to go, but Hauger stayed out to punch in a statement of intent. The Red Bull junior scored just six points in Spa but appeared to be back on the pace in Zandvoort, launching from fifth to first with a tour of 1:25.167.

Neither Schumacher nor Arthur Leclerc could match the Championship leader, but they were able to jump to second and third, before diving into the pits with the remainder of the field for a freshen up.

Schumacher set a sensational lap as he started his second run, going purple in both the first and second sector to snatch provisional pole from Hauger. The PREMA attempted to respond but couldn't find any more time.

A final run of push laps was interrupted by a spin from Hunter Yeany, who lost the rear at Turn 3 and spun to a stop. The Charouz Racing System driver momentarily brought out a Red Flag but was able to get going again with four minutes of the session to spare.

Although sufficient time remained for another lap, the field had taken a significant chunk out of their Pirelli rubber and were tasked with getting them back up to temperature.

All eyes were on Hauger who would need a mammoth effort to displace Schumacher. The Norwegian delivered on that front, pulling purple first and second sectors out of the bag to beat the German's excellent effort by more than a tenth, setting 1:24.580.

Martins was the last man across the line and beat out Trident pairing Doohan and Clément Novalak to third with a last gasp lap.

His teammate, Collet, had done enough to hold on to sixth ahead of Jak Crawford and Alex Smolyar, despite not improving on his final run. Iwasa and Leclerc's earlier efforts were also good enough to hold onto spots in the top 10.

Finishing 12th overall, Campos Racing's Amaury Cordeel will start ahead of Logan Sargeant in Saturday's reverse grid Race 1, which takes place at 10:35 local time.

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## 2021 FIA FORMULA 3 CHAMPIONSHIP – ROUND 6 QUALIFYING PROVISIONAL CLASSIFICATION

	DRIVER	TEAM
1	Dennis Hauger	PREMA Racing
2	David Schumacher	Trident
3	Victor Martins	MP Motorsport
4	Jack Doohan	Trident
5	Clément Novalak	Trident
6	Caio Collet	MP Motorsport
7	Jak Crawford	Hitech Grand Prix
8	Alexander Smolyar	ART Grand Prix
9	Ayumu Iwasa	Hitech Grand Prix
10	Arthur Leclerc	PREMA Racing
11	Logan Sargeant	Charouz Racing System
12	Amaury Cordeel	Campos Racing
13	Rafael Villagomez	HWA RACELAB
14	Frederik Vesti	ART Grand Prix
15	Lorenzo Colombo	Campos Racing
16	Olli Caldwell	PREMA Racing
17	Ido Cohen	Carlin Buzz Racing
18	Oliver Rasmussen	HWA RACELAB
19	Jonny Edgar	Carlin Buzz Racing
20	Roman Stanek	Hitech Grand Prix
21	Calan Williams	Jenzer Motorsport
22	Filip Ugran	Jenzer Motorsport
23	Jonathan Hoggard	Jenzer Motorsport
24	Matteo Nannini	HWA RACELAB
25	Tijmen van der Helm	MP Motorsport
26	Kaylen Frederick	Carlin Buzz Racing
27	Juan Manuel Correa	ART Grand Prix
28	László Tóth	Campos Racing
29	Hunter Yeany	Charouz Racing System
30	Zdenek Chovanec	Charouz Racing System

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# Villagomez to start Races 1 and 3 from the pitlane

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HWA RACELAB driver Rafael Villagomez will start Races 1 and 3 from the pitlane in Zandvoort after he failed to stop for the weighbridge.

The Mexican had been ordered to do so by the Technical Delegate but instead returned to the pits and his team subsequently began work on the car, meaning that his car was not returned untouched by the team.

The Mexican had scored his best Qualifying result to date, finishing 13th, but will now start both Races 1 and 3 from the pitlane.