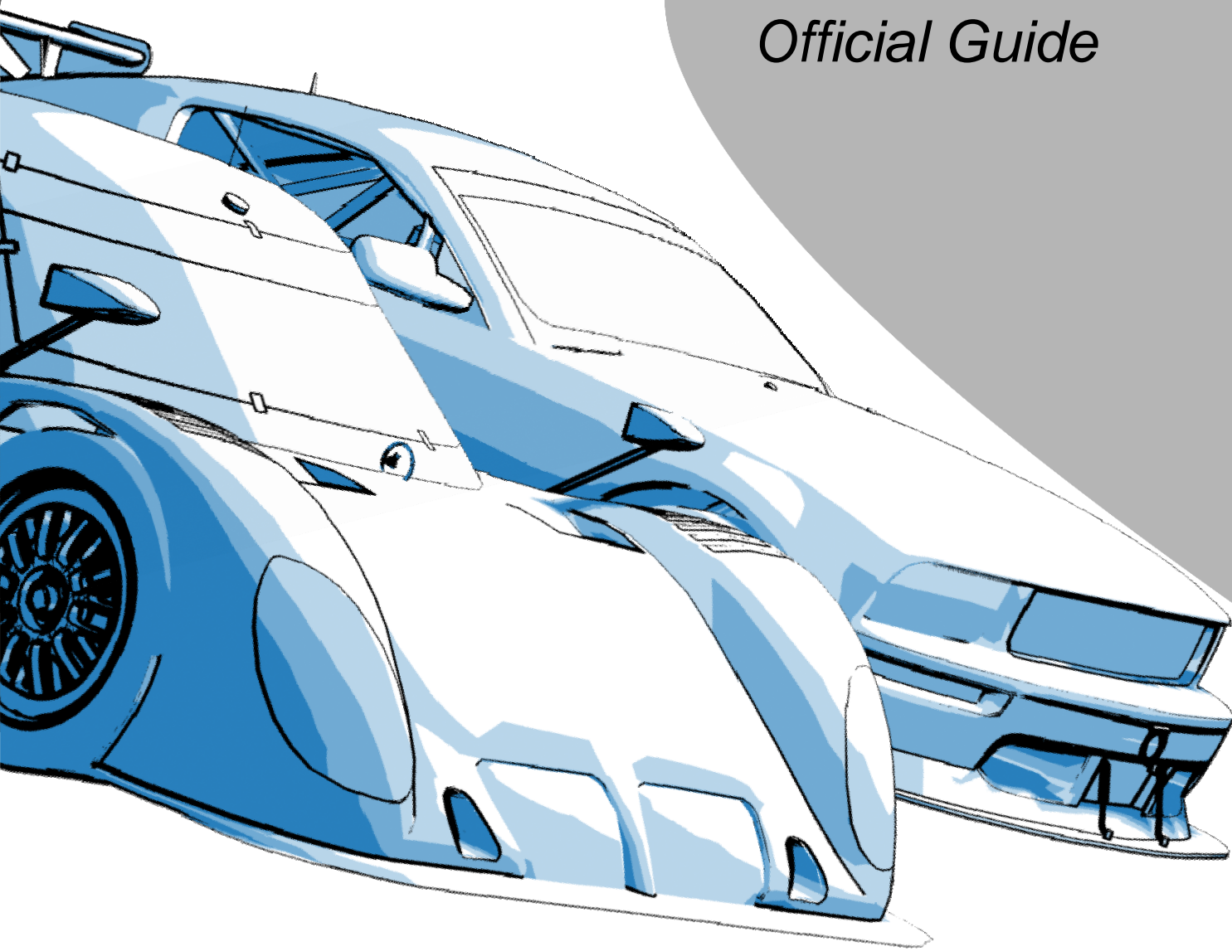


iRacing.com
Premier Series



Official Guide



INTRODUCTION:

GRAND-AM Road Racing and iRacing.com are pleased to once again be running an online premier racing series that will feature virtual GRAND-AM racing! The new premier series will feature Daytona Prototypes and Mustang Challenge race cars, competing at many of the same venues as the real world GRAND-AM Rolex Series. There will be two champions crowned at the end of the ten race season – one in the DP class and one in the Mustang class. Race results and standings will be reported on both www.GRAND-AM.com and www.inRacingNews.com and there will be cash prizes for champions.

New for the 2012 season there will also be a North American Endurance Championship as part of the Premier series. This championship within a championship will be based on points earned at the following three races: Daytona, the first Watkins Glen race and at Indianapolis Motor Speedway. The NAEC will utilize standard iRacing points to determine the winners.

PREMIER SERIES:

The 2011 season will begin on Sunday, March 4th. Race day will start at 0000 GMT and run for 24 hours. There will be only three race times per 'race day' – 8am GMT, 4pm GMT and 10pm GMT. There will be 20 minute qualifying sessions at 30 minutes after every hour on the day of the race. Drivers will be placed into race splits by iRating using a snake splitting format (see below), and then ordered on the individual race grid by qualifying time. This divides racers in as evenly matched a group as possible so that points will be close. There will be no divisions, just a single champion in each class. Open practice sessions will be made available beginning at 0000 GMT the Tuesday prior to the race.

RACE REPORTING:

The results of each race will be reported on the iRacing website– location to be determined. The top 20 overall racers in each class will have their names displayed on a standings page created by GRAND-AM and the full standings will be available on iRacing.com. In addition, this series will feature full news coverage on www.GRAND-AM.com and inRacingNews.com.

POINTS CALCULATION:

The Premier series points will be calculated in the same way as Standard FIRST-sanctioned series except that a seeding process or snake splitting will be used. (Ref: FIRST Official Sporting Code Section 4.6). The Premier series will include one drop for the season. The drop week will be the week with the lowest points total for the individual driver. The Premier Series will not include “resets”. Race splits will differ from standard iRacing.com series. Race splits will be made based on a seeding process. The driver registered for the event with the highest iRating will be seeded #1, next highest #2 and so on. See Example below.

Qualified drivers may compete in as many races as they choose each race day. The best 50% of a driver's race performances (based on points scored) in a given Race Day will be averaged at the conclusion of each Official Series Day and that will be the driver's Race Week Point Total and count towards the season championship standings. Again this is the conventional scoring method for an iRacing standard official series.

Seeding Process or “Snake” Splitting Example:
Registered Drivers 100 Split into 4 races

Server #1	Server #2	Server #3	Server #4
#1 Seed	#2 Seed	#3 Seed	#4 Seed
#8 Seed	#7 Seed	#6 Seed	#5 Seed
#9 Seed	#10 Seed	#11 Seed	#12 Seed
#16 Seed	#15 Seed	#14 Seed	#13 Seed



2012 PREMIER SERIES SCHEDULE*:

Daytona* – Sunday March 4th – 144 minutes

Barber – Sunday March 25th – 90 minutes

Homestead – Sunday April 22nd – 90 minutes

Mid-Ohio – Sunday June 3rd – 90 minutes

Road America – Sunday June 17th – 90 minutes

Watkins Glen (Long Course)* - Sunday June 24th – 120 minutes

Indianapolis* - Sunday July 1st – 90 minutes

Watkins Glen (Cup Course) – Sunday July 22nd – 90 minutes

Mazda Raceway – Sunday September 2nd – 90 minutes

Lime Rock Park – Sunday September 23rd – 90 minutes

Premier Series schedule is subject to change.

*Denotes race will be part of the North American Endurance Championship

ELIGIBILITY:

To be eligible to participate in the Premier Series, a driver must have a B license with a 1.0 minimum safety rating. A license holders with any safety rating are also eligible. A driver must have all necessary content as well (Riley DP, Mustang Challenge car and current track)

No iRacing employee or any employee of GRAND-AM or NASCAR may be eligible to win this championship.

CHAMPIONSHIP:

There will be two champions at the end of the ten race season, one in the DP car and one in the Mustang. Champions will be determined by the highest point total. There are no divisions in the premier series and therefore no divisional winners.

There will also be two champions crowned based on the results from the North American Endurance Championship rounds.



PRIZE SUMMARY:

Overall Championship

DP Championship:

- 1st place - \$1,000 cash, trophy
- 2nd place - \$500 cash, trophy
- 3rd place - \$250 cash, trophy

Mustang Championship:

- 1st place - \$1,000 cash, trophy
- 2nd place - \$500 cash, trophy
- 3rd place - \$250 cash, trophy

North American Endurance Championship

DP Championship:

- 1st place- 250 iRacing credits
- 2nd place – 150 iRacing credits
- 3rd place – 50 iRacing credits

Mustang Championship

- 1st place- 250 iRacing credits
- 2nd place – 150 iRacing credits
- 3rd place – 50 iRacing credits

STANDARD WEEKLY SERIES:

The standard 12 week GRAND-AM iRacing.com Online Sports Car Series will continue, with four seasons throughout the year and the usual divisional winners. iRacing members are welcome and encouraged to compete in both the standard weekly series and the Premier series. Coverage of the standard weekly series will continue on inRacingnews so you'll be able to follow the racing throughout the year.

PREMIER GRAND-AM iRACING.COM ONLINE SPORTS CAR SERIES**CONTEST RULES:**

Can be found on iRacing.com member site – Click here:

http://membersmedia.iracing.com/pdfs/iRacing_com_Competition_Contest_Rules_1_25_11.pdf