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# **iRACING RALLYCROSS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP**

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# Introduction

The **iRacing Rallycross World Championship presented by Yokohama** is the highest level rallycross series in iRacing. Drivers who have reached this series are the best virtual rallycross drivers in the world. This series is limited to iRacing members who have reached a specific level of competitiveness and qualified in through the **iRacing Rallycross World Championship Qualifying Series**.

This document is meant as a guidebook for iRacing members already competing in this series and for those wishing to qualify to do so and should be read together with the other iRacing rules applicable to all members.

This guide, together with the [Official Sporting Code](#), [Terms of Use and End User License Agreement](#), [iRacing.com Motorsport Simulations, LLC Privacy Policy](#), and [Online Competitions and Contests Official Contest Rules](#) form the body of rules and procedures applicable to all iRacing members and all iRacing events, including the iRacing Rallycross World Championship presented by Yokohama (collectively, the »iRacing Rules«).

Each member is required to read, understand and agree to all iRacing Rules prior to participation in any iRacing Rallycross World Championship presented by Yokohama event. The iRacing Rules form a contract between each iRacing member and iRacing.com Motorsport Simulations, LLC. An iRacing member may accept the iRacing Rules by accepting the click-through terms on iRacing.com, or registering to participate (or participating) in any iRacing Rallycross World Championship presented by Yokohama event.

**All information in this document is subject to change.**

# Qualifying Series

The iRacing Rallycross World Championship Qualifying Series will be the sole qualifying series for entry into the iRacing Rallycross World Championship presented by Yokohama. This series will run as a standalone series during 2021 Season 3.

The schedule for the iRacing Rallycross World Championship Qualifying Series is as follows:

| DATE   | TRACK                                 |
|--------|---------------------------------------|
| JUL 14 | Daytona International Speedway (long) |
| JUL 21 | Atlanta Motor Speedway (long)         |
| JUL 28 | Brands Hatch Circuit                  |
| AUG 04 | Hell Lankebanen                       |
| AUG 11 | Phoenix Raceway                       |
| AUG 18 | Sonoma Raceway                        |
| AUG 25 | Charlotte Motor Speedway              |

Additional information on the Qualifying Series is as follows:

- Qualifying series is open to Dirt Road C 4.0 License and up
- Events will run on Wednesday at 5PM ET/21:00 GMT
- Races may have multiple splits based on iRating with a maximum of 10 cars
- 5 minute Practice, followed by 5 minute/3 lap Qualifying at 5:05PM ET/21:05 GMT
- 2 Heat races (5 laps/5 cars), top 2 finishers per heat transfer and start 1st-4th
- 1 Consolation race (5 laps/6 cars), all transfer to the feature and start 5th-10th
- 1 Feature (10 laps/10 cars)
- All race sessions (Heat, Consolation, Feature) will feature one mandatory Joker Lap, to be used at driver's discretion after start of Lap 1
- Drivers will have one drop week
- Top 18 points finishers who aren't already qualified, have a C 4.0 and up Dirt Road license, and are in good standing with iRacing will be considered for a Pro/WC license and entry into the iRacing Rallycross World Championship
- In the event that a driver that is in the top 18 in points is not eligible for any reason, the spot will go to the next eligible driver in points.
- In the event that a driver from the 2020 season is not eligible or declines to return to the series, their spot will be filled by the next eligible driver from the Qualifying Series.

# Championship Series Overview

A minimum of 18 drivers earn licenses to compete in the iRacing Rallycross World Championship presented by Yokohama through the Qualifying Series. A maximum of 10 drivers retain their licenses from the 2020 iRacing Rallycross World Championship. All 28 drivers will compete to be crowned the World Champion.

Once a member earns an iRacing Rallycross World Championship presented by Yokohama license, he or she shall retain that license for the entire season so long as the driver maintains a safety rating of 1.0 or higher at that license class. If a driver falls below a 1.0 safety rating, their WCS license is temporarily suspended, however, that driver can drive at the lower class levels and may regain their Pro Series and World Championship licenses by achieving a 4.0 or higher safety rating. A driver could also permanently or temporarily lose their license for race incidents or other actions deemed detrimental to the series.

## CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES SCHEDULE

The iRacing Rallycross World Championship presented by Yokohama schedule is as follows:

| DATE   | TRACK                                 |
|--------|---------------------------------------|
| SEP 22 | Daytona International Speedway (long) |
| SEP 29 | Atlanta Motor Speedway (long)         |
| OCT 06 | Iowa Speedway                         |
| OCT 13 | Brands Hatch Circuit                  |
| OCT 20 | Circuit de Barcelona-Catalunya        |
| OCT 27 | Hell Langebanen                       |
| NOV 03 | Phoenix Raceway                       |
| NOV 10 | Sonoma Raceway                        |
| NOV 17 | Charlotte Motor Speedway              |

# Championship Series Race Format & Requirements

## RACE FORMAT

- Events will run on Wednesdays at 4:45PM ET/20:45 GMT
- 15 minute Practice, followed by 5 minute/3 lap Qualifying at 5PM ET/21:00 GMT
- 4 Heat races (5 laps/7 cars), top 2 transfer to the feature
- 2 Consolation races (5 laps/10 cars), winner of each transfers to the feature
- 5-minute Warmup
- 1 Feature (10 laps/10 cars)
- All race sessions (Heat, Consolation, Feature) will feature one mandatory Joker Lap, to be used at driver's discretion after start of Lap 1
- Race control may elect to reset track states live during events at its own discretion to simulate real-world track grooming between race sessions

## JOKER LAPS

The Joker Lap is an alternate route on each track that must be utilized once per race session (heats, consolation races, and finals). Whether it is a shorter or longer route than normal depends on the track layout; both will be utilized in the championship. The Joker Lap opens during race sessions after a driver has crossed the finish line to start Lap 1; if a driver takes the Joker Lap immediately off of the start, but the Joker Lap concludes before the finish line, that driver will receive a penalty from the sim. Examples of tracks where the Joker Lap is set between the start and finish line include Daytona International Speedway and Sonoma Raceway.

Drivers may use the Joker Lap freely in practice and warmup sessions. However, drivers must utilize only the main lap in qualifying. The Joker Lap may not be touched at any time, for any reason, in qualifying—whether a driver is coming to the green flag, on a timed lap, or even on their cool down lap. Judgment on if a driver violated this rule is fully in the hands of iRacing officials. Drivers who fail to adhere to this rule may receive an automatic ban from qualifying the following week.

## CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES TRACK LIMITS

Track limits will be enforced by the sim automatically in all events. Drivers who push the limits and boundaries of the track may find themselves receiving a time penalty handed out by the sim. Officials do reserve the right, however, to penalize drivers live for a particularly egregious track cut in the event that the sim does not hand out a suitable penalty. This judgment is firmly in the hands of officials.

If a driver has a question about a particular line, they are asked to provide the race director video footage of the line in question prior to the race session. Officials will then make a determination and communicate with all drivers about their decision prior to the race session. The submission deadline is 24 hours before the race session opens.



## CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES REQUIREMENTS

To participate in this series, participants may be required to submit and have approved the following:

- W9 form
- Bio (utilizing our template)
- Headshot (utilizing our criteria)

Races are every Wednesday at 5PM ET/21:00 GMT, with practice starting at roughly 4:45PM ET/20:45 GMT. After Daylight Savings Time, races will remain locked to 5PM US Eastern Time. The top 10 drivers in points at the end of the season will retain their series license. Drivers who agree to participate in this series must compete in at least seven of the nine races to be eligible to retain their license for the following season. The Race Director may issue a waiver to drivers who miss additional events upon request due to extenuating circumstances.

## Championship Series Points

The iRacing Rallycross World Championship presented by Yokohama uses the point system outlined below. No points will be awarded in Consolation races. Drivers can score a maximum of 29 points in any race.

| FINISH | QUAL | HEATS | FEATURE |
|--------|------|-------|---------|
| 1st    | 6    | 8     | 15      |
| 2nd    | 5    | 7     | 12      |
| 3rd    | 4    | 6     | 10      |
| 4th    | 3    | 5     | 8       |
| 5th    | 2    | 4     | 6       |
| 6th    | 1    | 3     | 5       |
| 7th    |      | 2     | 4       |
| 8th    |      | 1     | 3       |
| 9th    |      |       | 2       |
| 10th   |      |       | 1       |

### NOTE:

There will be zero drop weeks in the iRacing Rallycross World Championship.

# Championship Series Official Teams

At the beginning of the iRacing Rallycross World Championship presented by Yokohama season, a free agency period will be held where drivers will partner with Official Teams. Drivers must sign with an Official Team to be eligible to compete in this series.

- Official Teams will be determined by iRacing.com
- Each Official Team will be allowed 2 drivers
- Drivers will race a team livery provided by their Official Team
- Drivers may be asked to race a specific car number and/or manufacturer. Only the defending series champion is eligible to use the number 1.
- Drivers may be asked to consent to a background check
- Drivers are expected to cooperate with their team and conduct themselves in a professional and positive manner
- Drivers may contact iRacing to help out to try and resolve any issues between the teams and drivers
- A Teams championship will be tracked alongside the Drivers championship

Official Teams for the 2021 iRacing Rallycross World Championship presented by Yokohama will be communicated under separate cover. By participating in this series, all drivers must accept these terms and all results from the 2021 free agency period. Drivers who do not accept these terms are not eligible to compete in the series, and will be replaced with the next eligible driver.

# Championship Series Manufacturers

A driver's manufacturer choice for the season is determined by both driver and their Official Team in conjunction and confirmed when submitting paint scheme files. Drivers are expected to remain consistent with their vehicle choice for the duration of the season and may not switch to a different car for any reason without express approval by the officiating team.

Requests for a manufacturer change must be made by end of business Friday on the week prior to any given event, and must be submitted and signed by driver and Official Team manager in conjunction. Up to one manufacturer change will be granted during a season, but a driver may not switch back to their previous car at any point after making the switch. No manufacturer changes will be granted after Round 6 of the season for any reason. Failure to respect manufacturer selection rules may lead to on-the-spot disqualification from events.



# Championship Series Substitute Drivers

In order to preserve the integrity of the Teams championship, and to allow all Official Teams to have two cars in as many races as possible, Substitute Drivers will be allowed from a select pool of drivers to be shared with teams before the season. This pool will be communicated under separate cover. Qualified Substitute Drivers will include:

- Any top 10 finisher in 2020 series points that declined to compete on a full-time basis in 2021
- Any previous race winner from the past three seasons
- The top five drivers in Qualifying Series points that were not invited to compete on a full-time basis in 2021 (i.e., missed the cut line)

The need for a Substitute Driver must be confirmed with iRacing by end of business Friday. Substitute Driver usage will be approved at the sole discretion of iRacing, for circumstances such as (but not limited to) a personal emergency or real-world race event conflict. Substitute Drivers may not be utilized to circumvent a driver suspension.

When a team needs a Substitute Driver, they will be able to utilize any driver from the pool who agrees to compete for them. When a Substitute Driver aligns with a team, they may only compete with that Official Team for the duration of the 2021 season. Likewise, each Official Team may only have one Substitute Driver over the course of the season.

In the event that a full-time driver withdraws from the series for any reason, that team's Substitute Driver will be granted full-time status. The withdrawing driver forfeits all prize money earned. The Substitute Driver may then be eligible to collect series participation winnings, provided that they meet minimum iRacing requirements.

# Championship Series Sponsors

As with all iRacing World Championships, certain areas of each car are reserved by iRacing for the purpose of highlighting mandatory series sponsors. iRacing will provide a template for all competitors with these mandatory areas and decal placements blocked off. In addition, the driver leading the point standings may have a slightly different colored set of mandatory decals beginning with the second event of the season in order to distinguish them for broadcast purposes.

iRacing reserves the right to adjust or alter mandatory decal placements at any time.

# Championship Series Prizes

## TOTAL PRIZE PACKAGE

The iRacing Rallycross World Championship presented by Yokohama features a \$25,000 prize package:

| CATEGORY                      | PURSE                 |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Season Winnings               | \$19,000 (USD)        |
| Series Participation Winnings | \$5,600 (USD)         |
| Driver Award Bonuses          | \$400 (USD)           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                  | <b>\$25,000 (USD)</b> |

## SEASON WINNINGS

The following cash prizes are available to the top 10 drivers in iRacing Rallycross World Championship presented by Yokohama points at the end of the season:

| FINISH       | EARNINGS              |
|--------------|-----------------------|
| 1st          | \$10,000 Cash (USD)   |
| 2nd          | \$4,000 Cash (USD)    |
| 3rd          | \$2,000 Cash (USD)    |
| 4th          | \$1,000 Cash (USD)    |
| 5th          | \$500 Cash (USD)      |
| 6th          | \$400 Cash (USD)      |
| 7th          | \$350 Cash (USD)      |
| 8th          | \$300 Cash (USD)      |
| 9th          | \$250 Cash (USD)      |
| 10th         | \$200 Cash (USD)      |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>\$19,000 (USD)</b> |

## SERIES PARTICIPATION WINNINGS

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Each driver on the full-time final roster of the iRacing Rallycross World Championship presented by Yokohama will collect \$200 for participating in the series (up to 28 total drivers). To be eligible, drivers must agree to all participation requirements, including signing with an Official Team. Drivers who returned from 2020 or qualified through the Qualifying Series must have competed in seven of the series' nine events to collect their participation winnings. The eligibility of Substitute Drivers who are promoted to full-time status due to the withdrawal of another driver will be determined on a case-by-case basis. Substitute Drivers who are not promoted to full-time status are not eligible for series participation winnings.

## DRIVER AWARD BONUSES

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The iRacing Rallycross World Championship presented by Yokohama will offer four \$100 bonuses at the end of the season. In case of a tie, bonuses will be split evenly among the drivers who are tied. These bonuses are as follows:

### Pole Award

Awarded to the driver with the most poles.

### Rookie of the Year Award

Awarded to the driver who has never competed full-time in iRX who scores the most points.

### Most Improved Driver Award

Awarded to the driver who competed full-time in iRX in 2020 who gained the most positions in final points from their 2020 ranking.

### Hard Charger Award

Awarded to the driver who competed full-time in iRX in 2021 who gained the most positions during race events from their qualifying ranking in those events.

In addition to the above eligibility requirements, drivers may be required to carry a mandatory partner decal associated with each award. In the event that a driver does not carry the mandatory partner decal, the next eligible driver will receive the bonus.

## PRIZE DISTRIBUTION & ELIGIBILITY

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All winnings are distributed at the end of the season to eligible drivers considered in good standing with iRacing (i.e., not suspended from the series, or from iRacing itself). Drivers who elect to miss the final race of the season may forfeit their prize eligibility unless they are approved to receive a waiver by the Race Director.

# Championship Series Officiating

## RACE REVIEW

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Every race will be reviewed by the Race Director live and/or through replay/broadcasts.

iRacing may take action against a driver for rules infractions or any action deemed detrimental to the series including but not limited to points adjustments, suspension or other penalties.

## PROTESTS

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- Drivers may file a protest to the Race Director ([race.director@iracing.com](mailto:race.director@iracing.com)) with a detailed description and a replay for review if one suspects misbehavior or violations to the sporting code.
- By participating in this series, every driver agrees to accept the decisions of iRacing.com.
- A driver who is suspended based on incidents in this series may or may not also be suspended from iRacing.
- The race director will only communicate with impacted team drivers about incidents, race rules and any series related competition questions.

## APPEALS

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- Only a driver that has been penalized may appeal a decision.
- A driver may appeal a protest decision by e-mailing [race.director@iracing.com](mailto:race.director@iracing.com) with details on why they think the wrong decision has been made.
- Appeals must be made within 48 hours of the incident report being posted.
- iRacing may take up to 7 days to rule on any appeals.
- Appeals are reviewed by the appeal board which is independent of the race director.

**All decisions are final.**

# Claiming Championship Series Prizes

## PAYMENT OF CHAMPIONSHIP PRIZES

Unless otherwise agreed between an iRacing member and his/her team, all championship earnings will be paid directly to the iRacing member who won the championship prize at the end of the season. Upon request by a team that employs an iRacing member, with the consent of the iRacing member, and at iRacing's discretion, iRacing may pay championship earnings directly to such team, but only if the team (a) provides documentary evidence to iRacing that unambiguously authorizes such payment, (b) indemnities, defends and holds harmless iRacing from competing claims for championship prizes, (c) submits the affidavit of eligibility and other documentation specified below and (d) provides any specific documents and materials iRacing deems needed or appropriate for iRacing.com to comply with all tax reporting and withholding requirements, which for non-U.S. members or teams, may include an affidavit from the member or team, as applicable, that confirms such person or team is not a U.S. person and that such prize is not related to commercial activity in the United States.

Each prize winner will receive confirmation of his/her prize, with instructions on how to claim the prize, via email sent to the email address associated with his/ her membership within ten days after the season ends. Each winner (or a team acting on behalf of a winner) may be required to sign and return an affidavit of eligibility, liability waiver and publicity/intellectual property release within ten days of the date of winning notification. If a winner (or a team acting on behalf of a winner) is found to have violated any of the iRacing Rules, is otherwise disqualified, cannot be reached, or fails to take all actions required to claim the prize within the times specified, that winner will forfeit the prize and an alternate winner may be selected by iRacing. Winners will be announced as soon as feasible after all winners have been qualified.

A driver must be in good standing at the season end as determined by iRacing to be eligible for any prizes. Examples of drivers who may be deemed ineligible for prizes are drivers who are suspended from the series, or drivers who miss races without a waiver, especially the final race of the season.

## DRIVER EXPECTATIONS

Drivers will be invited to the iRacing Rallycross World Championship presented by Yokohama based on their competitive results and being a positive members in the iRacing community, as determined by iRacing. Drivers are required to represent the series in a positive fashion in order to maintain their Pro license. There is a very high level of competition and high community profile in this series; consequently, there are multiple additional conduct rules above and beyond the normal that exist only at this level. It is expected that each driver in this series will treat other drivers, iRacing officials, sponsors, employees and the community, with respect on and off the race track and will not bring the sport or iRacing into disrepute via their actions. The iRacing.com FIRST Sporting Code is in full effect for these series as applicable.

# Championship Series Contest Rules

By participating in this series you agree and have understood that you consent to the following rules and documents outlined in this document.

Notwithstanding the foregoing or anything to the contrary in the EULA or the Privacy Policy, you hereby acknowledge and consent that, if any User information, is submitted or collected in connection with User's use of the Sim (including through a requested account name change or otherwise), and including without limitation the User's name, image, photograph, likeness, anima on, autograph, voice, audiovisual recording, and other information described in the Privacy Policy, all such information may be used and processed by iRacing.com and its parent, subsidiaries, and affiliates, and its and their streaming partners, assigns and licensees (collectively, the »Promoters«) in accordance with the terms of the EULA and the Privacy Policy.

Without limitation of the above, you further hereby grant to the Promoters a non-exclusive, perpetual, royalty-free, worldwide, irrevocable, fully paid, sublicensable (through multiple tiers) and transferable right, license, and permission (but not the obligation), in all forms and media, whether now known or not currently known, to use, adapt, reproduce, distribute, edit, exhibit, publicly display, publicly perform, and publish photographs, videotaped images and recordings, illustrations, reproductions or otherwise, including without limitation all intellectual property rights therein and thereto, of User's likeness, image or appearance, with or without User's name or voice (collectively, the »User's Likeness«) for any lawful purposes whatsoever, including without limitation for promotional purposes, now or at any time in the future.

## iRACING RULES

You have agreed to the following agreements, which comprise the iRacing Rules, by being an iRacing member and by participating in this series. Links to copies of the iRacing Rules can be found below. Alternatively, you can email iRacing.com at [race.director@iracing.com](mailto:race.director@iracing.com) for a copy of the rules or to ask any questions.

- [Official Sporting Code](#)
- [Terms of Use and End User License Agreement](#)
- [iRacing.com Motorsport Simulations, LLC Privacy Policy](#)
- [Online Competitions and Contests Official Contest Rules](#)

In the event of a conflict between any of the policies, terms of use, codes or rules listed above, the one that is the most protective of iRacing.com (as determined by iRacing.com) shall govern and control.

This series, and any other series, is subject to change or cancellation at any time for any reason at iRacing's sole discretion.

## SERIES AGE RESTRICTION

In order to register for iRacing, you must be an adult according to the laws of the jurisdiction (i.e. state or country, as the case may be) in which you reside. If you are not an adult but at least 13 years old, and if you wish to use iRacing and race in this series, you must have a parent or guardian register for iRacing on your behalf and then agree to and sign the Parental Consent and Release and return it to [Tyler.Hudson@iracing.com](mailto:Tyler.Hudson@iracing.com) if you race in this series.

We require every member to be at least 13 years old to use iRacing. iRacing is not designed for minors under the age of 13, so minors under the age of 13 are not permitted to use iRacing or race in this series under any condition.

## **iRACING.COM PARENTAL CONSENT AND RELEASE**

[Click here to view the parental consent and release form.](#)