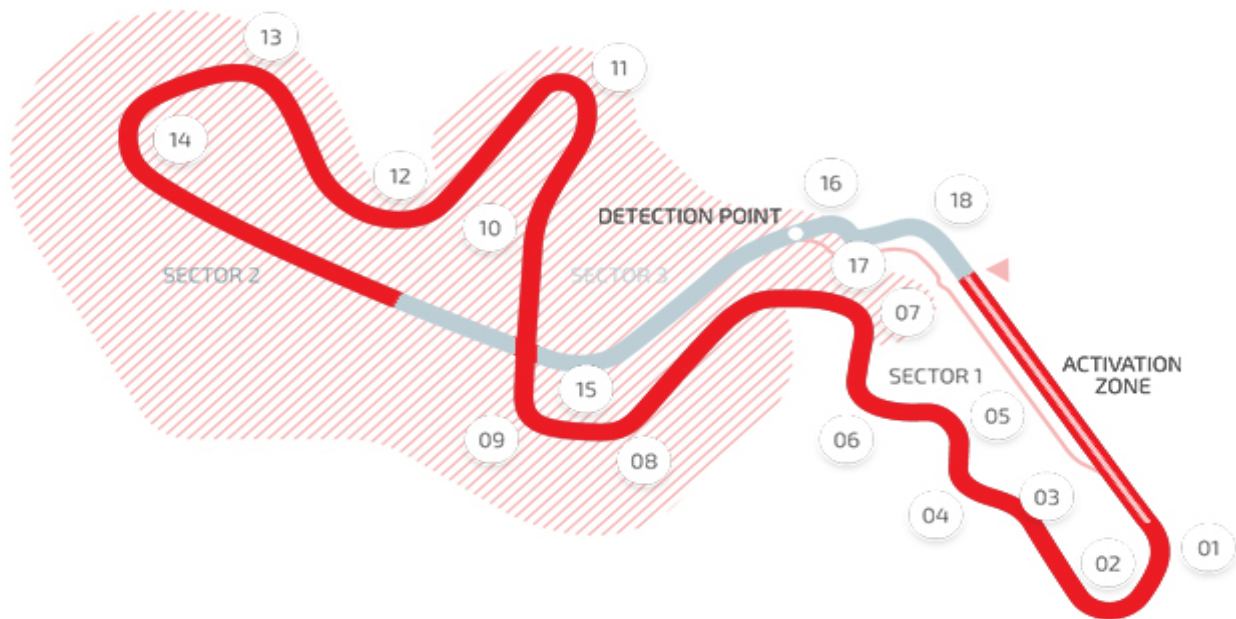




Japanese Grand Prix

Suzuka
7 October



Free Practice

	RAIKKONEN		Chassis 317	VETTEL		Chassis 314
First Session	P4	1:33.817	17 laps	P3	1:33.525	18 laps
<i>Weather: air 23/24 °C, asphalt 27/32 °C. Overcast</i>						
Second Session	P3	1:32.573	25 laps	P5	1:33.103	34 laps
<i>Weather: air 25 °C, asphalt 31/32 °C. Overcast</i>						

Kimi Raikkonen

“ It was one of those days that seem a bit tricky but in the end go for better. My feeling with the car was not very nice, I suffered a lot with understeer and I was struggling with the balance through the first sector, but the lap time was ok . In the end we got a bit better, but we are not still where we want to be. In the second session I had a small

electric issue, likely with a sensor, but we changed it and it was ok. Tomorrow is another day, we'll try to work on small things to try to improve. If we get the car where we want and with a better feeling for sure we can go quite a bit faster.

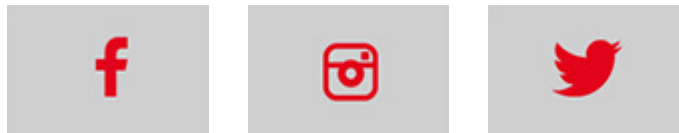
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Sebastian Vettel

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Overall, I am not entirely happy with the balance of the car today, but I am sure this is something we can work on. I didn't try the Medium compound, we focused more on the Soft tyre in the morning, and on the very Hard tyre in the afternoon. We tried to do our homework, but the balance is not there yet. We will now need to look at the data and see where we are, also compared to the others. Ideally you would always love to have more grip around here, because it feels fantastic if you do, but I am sure we can tune the balance and distribute the grip a bit better, so that we will be in a better shape tomorrow. As for race expectations, a podium finish is always possible, there might even be rain at some point. It sure doesn't help if you start further at the back (because of the grid penalty), but overtaking is possible, even if it is not so easy.

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