



Dutch Grand Prix

CIRCUIT ZANDVOORT



SESSION 1

Carlos SAINZ	#55	P3	1'12"845	30 laps
Charles LECLERC	#16	P6	1'13"127	30 laps

Weather: sunny, dry, windy. Temperatures: air 24°, track 33°

SESSION 2

Charles LECLERC	#16	P1	1'12"345	27 laps
Carlos SAINZ	#55	P2	1'12"349	30 laps

Weather: sunny, dry, windy. Temperatures: air 26°, track 34°

All set for very close qualifying

Zandvoort, 2 September 2022 –The Scuderia Ferrari drivers set the two fastest times on the first day of free practice for the Dutch Grand Prix at Zandvoort. Charles Leclerc was just four thousandths of a second quicker than team-mate Carlos Sainz, as the team completed its planned work programme. As expected, there will still be plenty of work to do prior to qualifying, partly because the track seems to be constantly evolving as the sand is cleared off it and it gets rubbered in. The drivers worked on both race and qualifying set-up and a study of today's data will guide the engineers' choices when it comes to fine tuning the cars for tomorrow. Grid positions are particularly important at Zandvoort, because it is so twisty and narrow. As usual, qualifying looks like being very close, but particularly so here, as the lap is quite short at just 4.259 kilometres in length. Therefore the slightest detail can make the difference.

FP1. In the first session, both drivers started off on the Hard tyres, before switching to Softs after the first few runs, when the session was red flagged, after Max Verstappen stopped on track. Once it resumed, Carlos posted the third fastest time of 1'12"845, while Charles stopped the clocks in 1'13"127, which meant he was sixth quickest. They completed 30 laps each.

FP2. Leclerc and Sainz started their work on the Medium tyres, before switching again to Softs, with which they set their fastest and almost identical times: 1'12"345 for Charles, 1'12"349 for Carlos. After this, they focussed on running the car in race trim, with a heavier fuel load, Charles running Medium tyres and Carlos the Softs up until the session was interrupted when Yuki Tsunoda went off track. When it restarted for just a few laps, the Scuderia drivers switched tyre compounds. Charles did 27 laps and Carlos did 30.

Programme. Qualifying gets underway tomorrow at 15 local, preceded by a final hour of free practice at 12.



We picked up the pace a little in FP2, but we were not quite there with the car balance on my side. There's some work ahead of us and I'm confident we can make a step forward by tomorrow.

We were all very close apart from Max and Checo, but I don't think they had a clean day so it will be interesting.

Charles Leclerc #16



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Overall it was a good Friday here in Zandvoort. It was great to be back at such a demanding and challenging track for drivers and cars, so I enjoyed it a lot.

Performance-wise, it was a clean Friday and we completed the run plan without any issues, both for the long and short runs.

It seems to be tight with our closest rivals, so any performance we can find overnight will definitely help us going into qualifying.

Carlos Sainz #55

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