



2019 24 HOURS OF LE MANS The 60-strong entry list reveal





2019 24 HOURS OF LE MANS, THE GRAND FINALE

This year's 24 Hours of Le Mans, the 87th, will also be a first. The race marks the end of the FIA World Endurance Championship season. Get ready for the grand finale to the 2018-19 Super Season which has already seen the Total 6 Hours of Spa, the 2018 24 Hours of Le Mans, the 6 Hours of Silverstone, the 6 Hours of Shanghai and the 6 Hours of Fuji and continues with the 1000 Miles of Sebring on 15 March, the Total 6 Hours of Spa on 4 May and culminates with Le Mans 24 Hours on 15-16 June. At 15:00 on 16 June, the winners of the most gruelling race of the season (overall and by class) will be known and new World Endurance Champions will be crowned. It is unthinkable to miss Le Mans this year!

Well aware of the added prestige of this year's race, the whole endurance racing world proved eager to take part and the selection committee examined 75 applications before drawing up the lists of the 60 entrants and 10 reserve teams.



INTRODUCTION





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SOME TEAMS WERE INVITED TO TAKE PART IN THE 2019 24 HOURS OF LE MANS BASED ON THEIR RESULTS

AT THE 2018 24 HOURS OF LE MANS

INTRODUCTION

IN LMP2, Signatech Alpine Matmut (class winner) IN LMGTE AM : Dempsey-Proton Competition (class winner)

IN THE 2018 EUROPEAN LE MANS SERIES

IN LMP2:: G-Drive Racing, winner of the 2018 European Le Mans Series IN LMP2:: In LMP2, RLR MSPORT / TOWER EVENTS, LMP3 winner IN LMGTE AM : Proton Competition, LMGTE winner IN LMGTE AM : LMGTE Am, JMW Motorsport, LMGTE runner-up

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IN LMGTE AM : Kessel Racing, winner of the GT3

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IN THE WEATHERTECH SPORTSCAR CHAMPIONSHIP

IN LMGTE Am: Keating Motorsports, courtesy of the Bob Akin trophy **IN LMGTE Am**: Weathertech Racing, courtesy of the Jim Trueman trophy

IN THE ASIAN LE MANS SERIES

IN LMP2 : United Autosports, LMP2 winner IN LMP2 : ARC Bratislava, LMP2 Am winner IN LMP2 : Inter Europol Competition, LMP3 winner IN LMGTE AM : Car Guy Racing, GT winner

Here is the full entry list >

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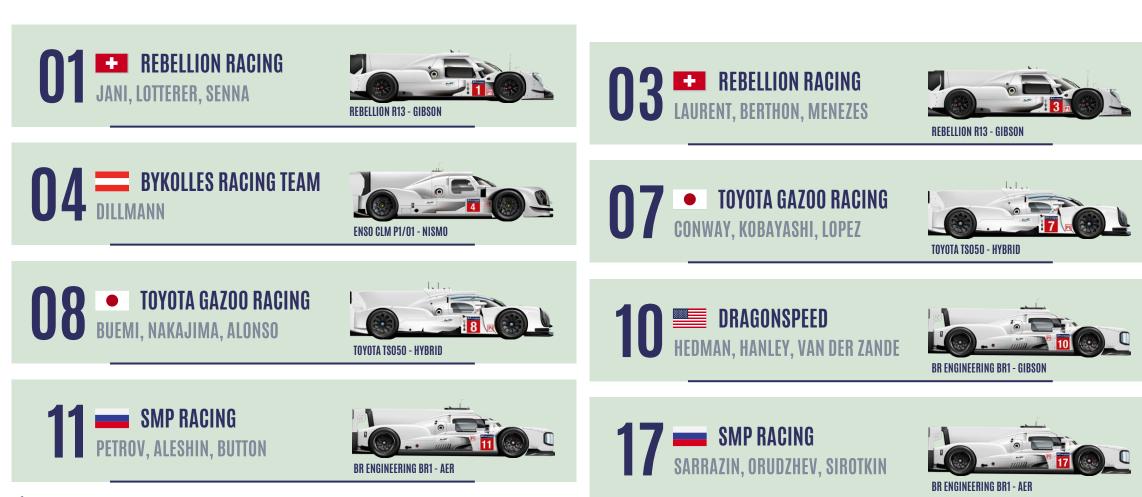


2019 8 LMP1S, including 2 LMP1 Hybrids. Alonso, Buemi and Nakajima are looking to win Le Mans twice in the same season - a unique opportunity! Thomas Laurent is aiming for his third overall podium in a row. To date, there are five 24 Hours of Le Mans winners in the LMP1 list.









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2019 17 LMP2s including 5 Ligier chassis, 10 Oreca chassis (including one Alpine Oreca) and 2 Dallara chassis







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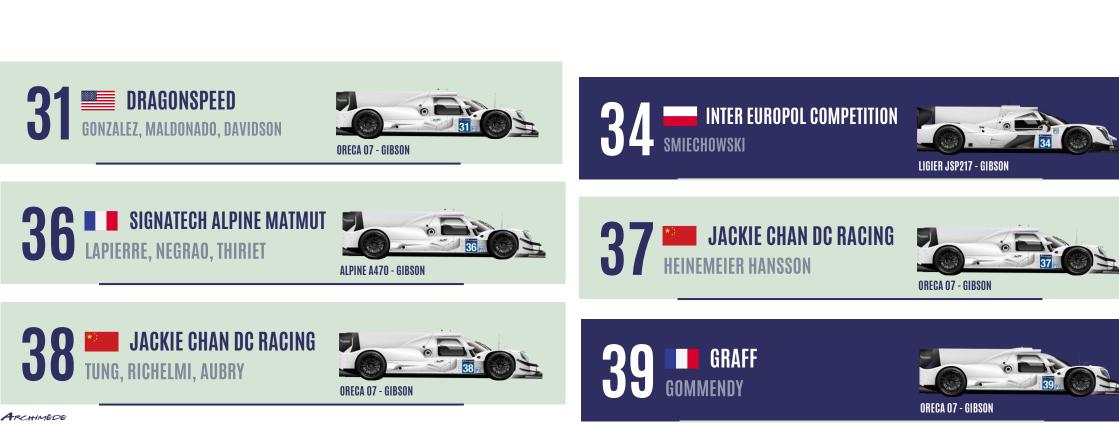
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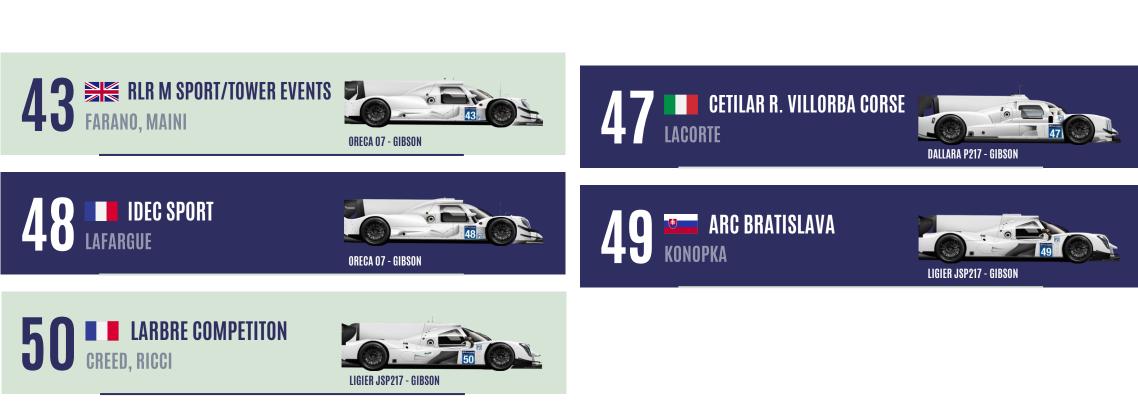


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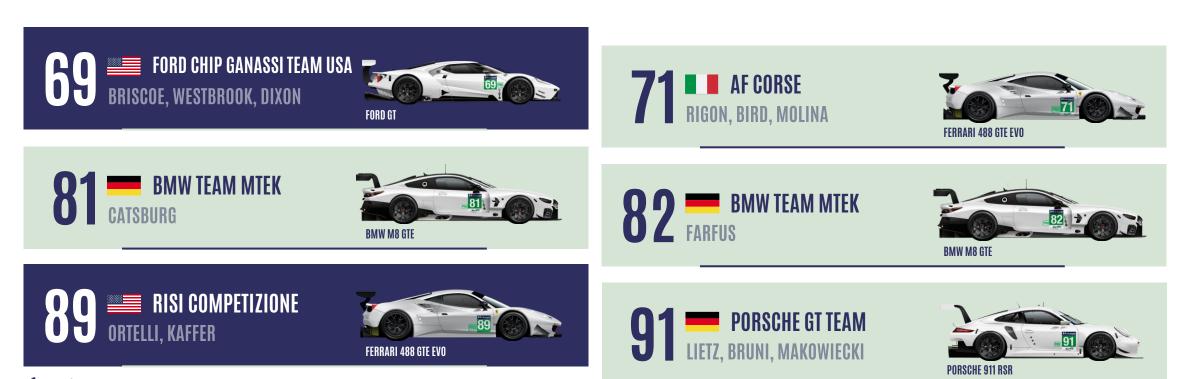
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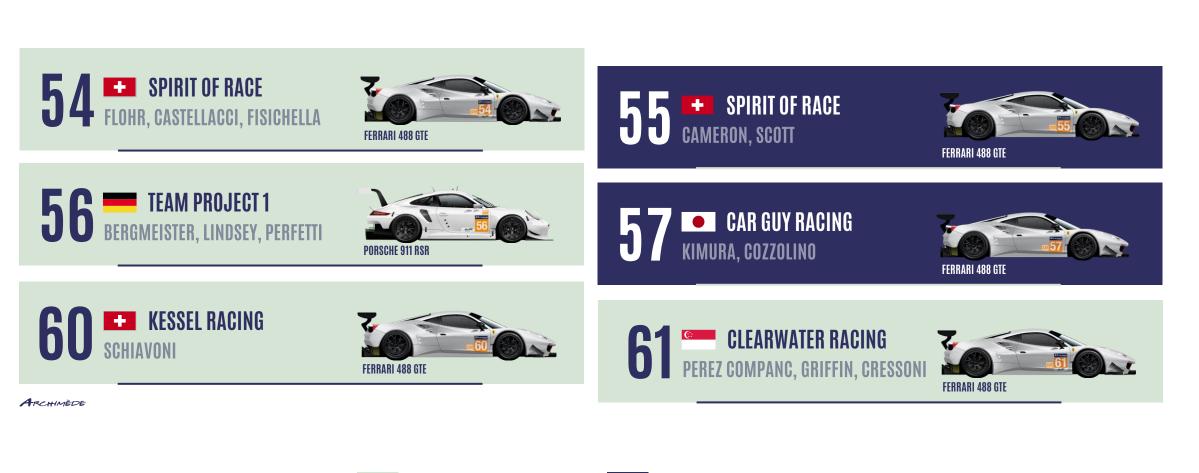




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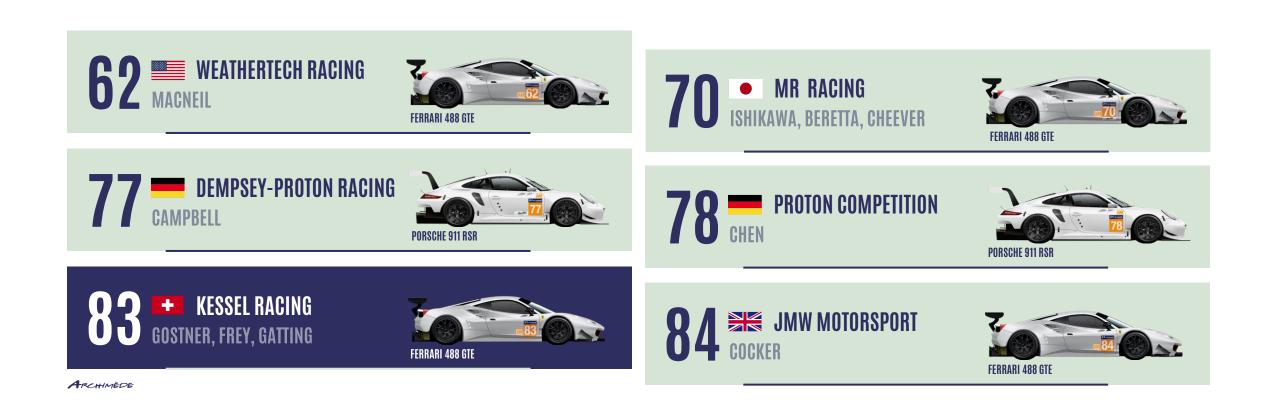




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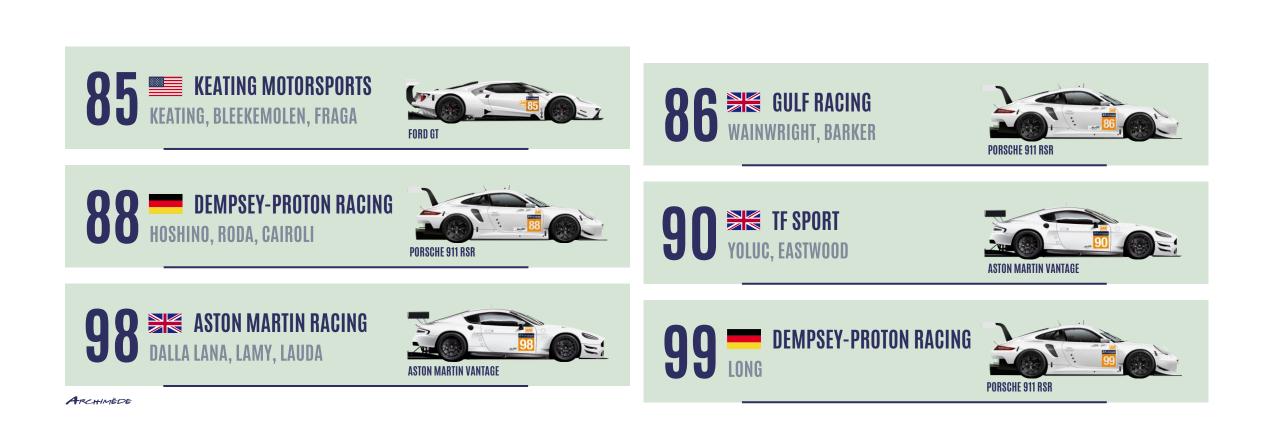


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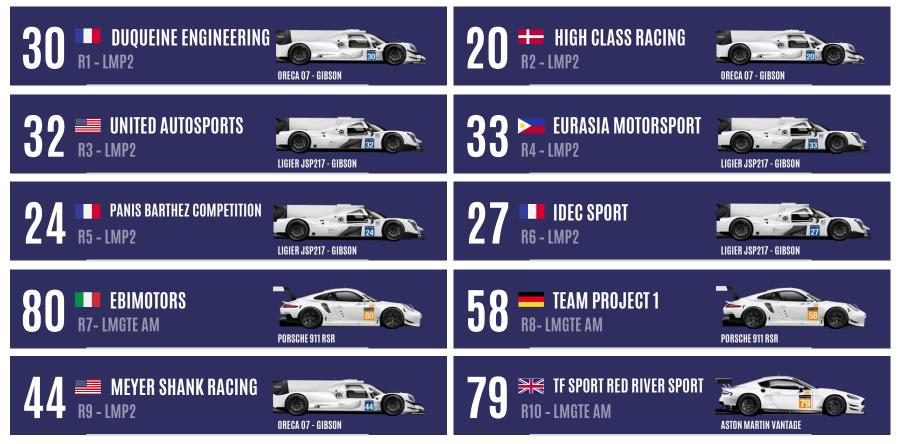
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THE 10 RESERVE TEAMS



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PROTON COMPETITION

KESSEL RACING

GULF RACING

KESSEL RACING

TF SPORT

JMW MOTORSPORT

KEATING MOTORSPORTS

ASTON MARTIN RACING

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THE FULL 2019 GRID

N°	LM P1 : 08 cars	NAT	CAR	DRIVERS
1	REBELLION RACING	CHE	REBELLION R13 - GIBSON	JANI, LOTTERER, SENNA JR
3	REBELLION RACING	CHE	REBELLION R13 - GIBSON	LAURENT, BERTHON, MENEZES
4	BYKOLLES RACING TEAM	AUT	ENSO CLM P1/01 - NISMO	DILLMANN
7	TOYOTA GAZOO RACING	JPN	TOYOTA TSO50 - HYBRID	CONWAY, KOBAYASHI, LOPEZ
8	TOYOTA GAZOO RACING	JPN	TOYOTA TSO50 - HYBRID	BUEMI, NAKAJIMA, ALONSO
10	DRAGONSPEED **	USA	BR ENGINEERING BR1 - GIBSON	HEDMAN, HANLEY, VAN DER ZANDE
11	SMP RACING	RUS	BR ENGINEERING BR1 - AER	PETROV, ALESHIN, BUTTON
17	SMP RACING	RUS	BR ENGINEERING BR1 - AER	SARRAZIN, ORUDZHEV, SIROTKIN
N°	LM P2 : 17 cars	NAT	CAR	DRIVERS
22	UNITED AUTOSPORTS	USA	LIGIER JSP217-GIBSON	HANSON, ALBUQUERQUE
23	PANIS BARTHEZ COMPETITION	FRA	LIGIER JSP217 - GIBSON	BINDER
25	ALGARVE PRO RACING	USA	ORECA 07 - GIBSON	PATTERSON, PIZZITOLA, FALB
26	G-DRIVE RACING	RUS	ORECA 07 - GIBSON	RUSINOV
28	TDS RACING	FRA	ORECA 07 - GIBSON	PERRODO, VAXIVIERE, DUVAL
29	RACING TEAM NEDERLAND	NLD	DALLARA P217 - GIBSON	VAN EERD, VAN DER GARDE, DE VRIES
31	DRAGONSPEED	USA	ORECA 07 - GIBSON	GONZALEZ, MALDONADO, DAVIDSON
34	INTER EUROPOL COMPETITION	POL	LIGIER JSP217 - GIBSON	SMIECHOWSKI
36	SIGNATECH ALPINE MATMUT	FRA	ALPINE A470 - GIBSON	LAPIERRE, NEGRAO, THIRIET
37	JACKIE CHAN DC RACING	CHN	ORECA 07 - GIBSON	HEINEMEIER HANSSON
38	JACKIE CHAN DC RACING	CHN	ORECA 07 - GIBSON	TUNG, RICHELMI, AUBRY
39	GRAFF	FRA	ORECA 07 - GIBSON	GOMMENDY
43	RLR M SPORT/TOWER EVENTS	GBR	ORECA 07 - GIBSON	FARANO
47	CETILAR R. VILLORBA CORSE	ITA	DALLARA P217 - GIBSON	LACORTE
48	IDEC SPORT	FRA	ORECA 07 - GIBSON	LAFARGUE
49	ARC BRATISLAVA	SVK	LIGIER JSP217 - GIBSON	KONOPKA
50	LARBRE COMPETITON	FRA	LIGIER JSP217 - GIBSON	CREED, RICCI
N°	LM GTE Pro : 17 cars	NAT	CAR	DRIVERS
51	AF CORSE	ITA	FERRARI 488 GTE EVO	PIER GUIDI, CALADO, SERRA
63	CORVETTE RACING	USA	CHEVROLET CORVETTE C7.R	MAGNUSSEN, GARCIA, ROCKENFELLER
64	CORVETTE RACING	USA	CHEVROLET CORVETTE C7.R	GAVIN, MILNER, FÄSSLER
66	FORD CHIP GANASSI TEAM UK	USA	FORD GT	MÜCKE, PLA
67	FORD CHIP GANASSI TEAM UK	USA	FORD GT	PRIAULX, TINCKNELL

68	FORD CHIP GANASSI TEAM USA	USA	FORD GT	HAND, MÜLLER, BOURDAIS
69	FORD CHIP GANASSI TEAM USA	USA	FORD GT	BRISCOE, WESTBROOK, DIXON
71	AF CORSE	ITA	FERRARI 488 GTE EVO	RIGON, BIRD, MOLINA
81	BMW TEAM MTEK	DEU	BMW M8 GTE	CATSBURG
82	BMW TEAM MTEK	DEU	BMW M8 GTE	FARFUS
89	RISI COMPETIZIONE	USA	FERRARI 488 GTE EVO	ORTELLI, KAFFER
91	PORSCHE GT TEAM	DEU	PORSCHE 911 RSR	LIETZ, BRUNI, MAKOWIECKI
92	PORSCHE GT TEAM	DEU	PORSCHE 911 RSR	CHRISTENSEN, ESTRE, VANTHOOR
93	PORSCHE GT TEAM	USA	PORSCHE 911 RSR	PILET, BAMBER, TANDY
94	PORSCHE GT TEAM	USA	PORSCHE 911 RSR	MÜLLER, JAMINET, OLSEN
95 97	ASTON MARTIN RACING	GBR	ASTON MARTIN VANTAGE AMR	THIIM, SØRENSEN
97	ASTON MARTIN RACING	GBR	ASTON MARTIN VANTAGE AMR	MARTIN, LYNN
N°	LM GTE Am : 18 cars	NAT	CAR	DRIVERS
54	SPIRIT OF RACE	CHE	FERRARI 488 GTE	FLOHR, CASTELLACCI, FISICHELLA
55	SPIRIT OF RACE	CHE	FERRARI 488 GTE	CAMERON, SCOTT
56	TEAM PROJECT 1	DEU	PORSCHE 911 RSR	BERGMEISTER, LINDSEY, PERFETTI
57	CAR GUY RACING	JPN	FERRARI 488 GTE	KIMURA, COZZOLINO
61	CLEARWATER RACING	SGP	FERRARI 488 GTE	PEREZ COMPANC, GRIFFIN, CRESSONI
62	WEATHERTECH RACING	USA	FERRARI 488 GTE	MACNEIL
70	MR RACING	JPN	FERRARI 488 GTE	ISHIKAWA, BERETTA, CHEEVER
77	DEMPSEY-PROTON RACING	DEU	PORSCHE 911 RSR	CAMPBELL

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PORSCHE 911 RSR

FERRARI 488 GTE

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GOSTNER, FREY, GATTING

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Pierre Fillon, as president of the ACO, can you explain how you go about drawing up the list of 60 contenders for the 2019 24 Hours of Le Mans?

Pierre Fillon, **ACO PRESIDENT**



This year the selection committee received 75 applications, which were examined closely. There were more applications than usual. That's good news. It means that, despite the changes afoot, motoring, motorsports and particularly the 24 Hours of Le Mans remain hugely attractive to factory and private constructors, professional and amateur drivers, seasoned competitors and rookies alike. The 24 Hours of Le Mans is as popular as ever. Today we are presenting the 70 teams selected, 60 of which are invited to take part in the preliminary tests and 10 reserve teams. The field therefore comprises 8 LMP1s, 17 LMP2s, 17 LMGTE Pros and 18 LMGTE Ams.







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Given the number, was the selection process straightforward or more difficult than usual?

It was tricky in that all applicants were top class and we had to find criteria on which to separate them. We examined the applications with a fine-tooth comb. Our choice was based on the appeal of the team in terms of sport and technology and in terms of spectator and media attention. Loyalty was also a factor. Of course, there were several heartbreaking moments. Several reserve teams would have made the grid in previous years.

Year after year, it gets more and more difficult to choose between so many top-flight teams, across the board. Which goes to show that the endurance racing ladder that we introduced is fulfilling its promises. It produces experienced teams, drivers who have risen through the ranks, series after series, class by class and come to us with an already glittering record. A place on the Le Mans 24 Hours grid is the culmination of a carefully constructed project, built up step by step, based on solid foundations.







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What can you say about this field? Is it grand enough for a grand finale?



Of course. This grid matches the grandeur of the event. The grand finale of the Super Season includes 34 regular competitors in the FIA World Endurance Championship as well as European Le Mans Series, Asian Le Mans Series and WeatherTech SportsCar Championship teams. Some will be aiming for a world title, others chasing a Le Mans class win. The result of the championship hinging on the race adds to the excitement. It spices things up, if that were necessary.







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The reserve list includes big names such as United Autosports, Panis Barthez, Duqueine, Idec and High Class Racing. How do you explain that?

Pierre Fillon, **ACO PRESIDENT**



As I said, it wasn't an easy decision. We had to set ourselves a roadmap and follow it. For LMP2, the first decision was to field as many different teams as possible before considering any second cars. We wanted to reward teams that have been loyal to the race. All selection processes entail rejections.







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Car #83 fielded by Kessel Racing has an all-female line-up. It's not the first in the history of the race, but did it sway any decisions?

Pierre Fillon, **ACO PRESIDENT**

The ACO has always supported women in motorsport and actively encouraged their participation on every level, as drivers or any part of a team and as spectators. It goes without saying that an all-female line-up at the 24 Hours of Le Mans is a strong statement and consolidates the work we have been doing. The FIA has the same attitude and the team has the full support of the Women in Motorsport committee. This LMGTE Am entry fulfils a promise made by the FIA last June.







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Were there no Garage 56 applications?



Don Panoz had a Garage 56 entry for this year. Unfortunately, the project was suspended when Don died.

Garage 56 is for innovative technology that does not come under the official regulations so the entrant is not classified. We are in regular contact with several teams who are working on projects ranging from new energies to artificial intelligence. However, none of the projects are sufficiently mature to take a place on the grid just yet. But there is no shortage of ideas.







A REMINDER OF THE NEW REGULATIONS FOR THE 2019 24 HOURS OF LE MANS

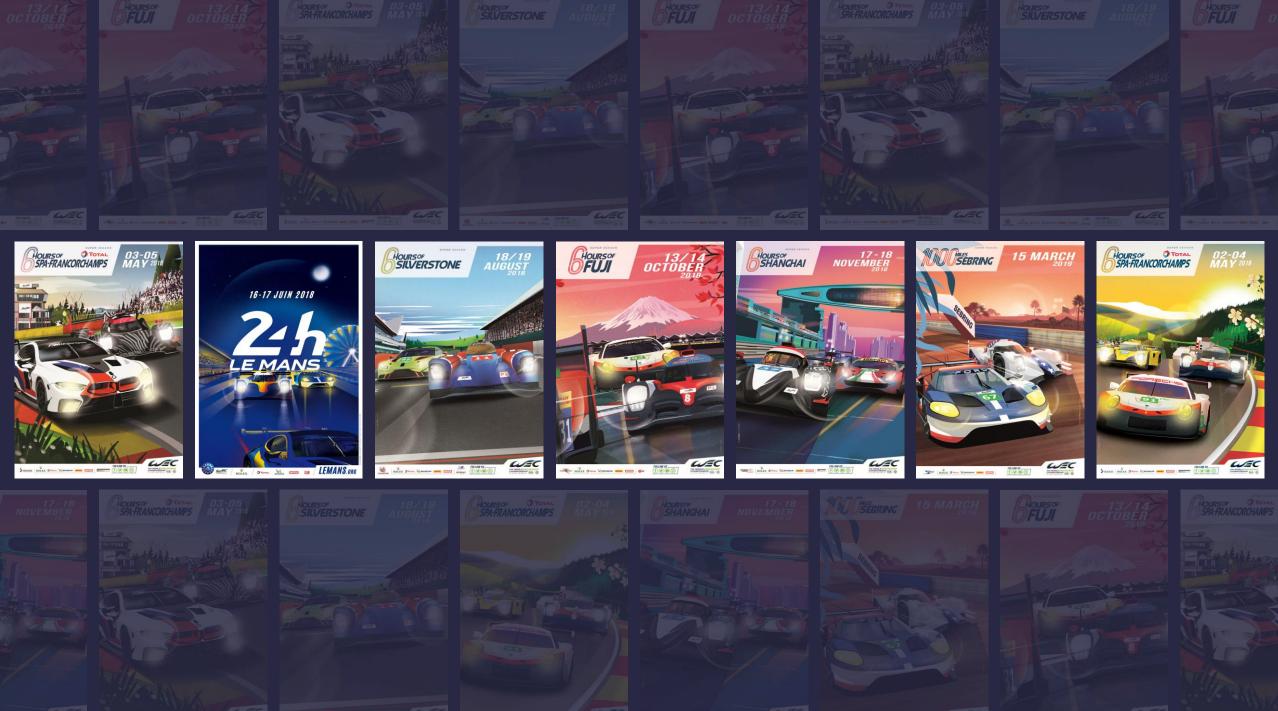
Vincent Beaumesnil, ACO sport director, explains why full course yellow will now apply at Le Mans and reveals the new arrangements for safety cars :

Given the various situations with which we have been confronted in recent years, we came to the conclusion that full course yellow could have been a useful alternative to some safety car periods. The aim is to hold up the race as little as possible. A safety car period means sending out three cars. It is a long, complex procedure. In some cases, full course yellow would be more appropriate. It is quicker to implement and the race is neutralised for a shorter period. Contrary to other WEC races, the pit lane will be closed during the procedure, which means full course yellow is short-lived and has minimum impact on the race.

The safety car periods clearly affected the LMGTE class last year. The leading group was split in two. The safety cars came out while the chasers were refuelling and so they had to wait in the pit lane, champing at the bit. Based on the race debrief, we decided to alter the beginning of the procedure. Cars in the pit lane when the safety car enters the track will no longer be prevented from rejoining until the second safety car has passed. Once those cars are back out, usual safety car rules apply and cars may only exit the pit lane behind a safety car and the cars trailing it.









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