

# Formula One's leap in the dark

## Marina Street Circuit



**Weather**

- Warm and humid
- Low track temperature at night

**50%**  
chance of rain on any day of the race weekend

- **Length:** 5.067km (3.15m)
- **Direction:** anti-clockwise
- **Race:** 61 laps
- **Race distance:** 309.087km
- **Corners:** 23
- **Surface:** public roads (bumpy); 20% of the track has been resurfaced
- **Fastest section:** Raffles Boulevard (turns 5-7) 180mph – 185mph
- **Best overtaking opportunity:** turn 7
- **Estimated average lap speed:** 108mph (second slowest in Formula One after Monaco)
- **Projected lap time:** 1min 45sec

## Race weekend timetable living on European time

Toyota team schedule for the race weekend (all times Singapore local, BST +7hrs)

Today	Tomorrow	Sunday
12.00-14.30 Breakfast at hotel	12.00-14.30 Breakfast at hotel	12.00-14.30 Breakfast at hotel
15.30 Team arrives at circuit	15.00 Team arrives at circuit	14.30 Team arrives at circuit
19.00-20.30 First free practice	19.00-20.00 Third free practice	17.15 Lunch
21.00 Lunch	20.00 Lunch	18.30 Drivers' parade
21.30-23.00 Second free practice	22.00-23.00 Qualifying	19.30 Pitlane open, cars to grid
00.00 FIA drivers' meeting	01.30-03.00 Dinner	<b>20.00 Race</b>
02.30-04.00 Dinner and depart	02.30 Deadline for cars in parc fermé	00.00 Dinner
	03.00 Departure (approx)	



### How the streets will be lit up

- 12 twin-power soundproof generator units
- 230 steel pylons
- 1,500 light projectors (halide/2,000 watts)
- 3,000 Lux (four times brighter than football stadia but equivalent to a dull overcast day in the UK. 10,000Lux is equivalent to a bright sunny day in the UK)
- 27,000 metres of optic cable
- 110,000 metres of power cable
- 3,180,000 watts of power required

Lighting projectors

Horizontal aluminium truss

10 metre-high steel pylons (32 metres apart)

Electronic flagging system activated by marshals using a portable control board. Flag "lights" will flash

Cars will cast almost no shadow

Soft/super-soft tyre compounds

Special coating on tinted visors to prevent water droplets forming if wet

### Tuning in

**Television**  
 Tomorrow: qualifying, ITV1 2-10pm  
 Sunday: race, ITV1 noon (highlights, ITV1 11.15pm)

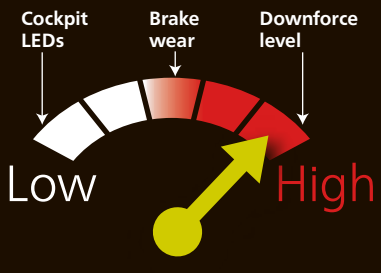
**Radio**  
 Tomorrow: qualifying, Radio 5 Live 3pm  
 Sunday: race, Radio 5 Live 1pm

### How they stand

Drivers	
1 L Hamilton	78pts
2 F Massa	77
3 R Kubica	64
4 K Raikkonen	57
5 N Heidfeld	53
6 H Kovalainen	51
7 F Alonso	28
8 J Trulli	26
9 S Vettel	23
10 M Webber	20
11 T Glock	15
12 R Barrichello	13
13 N Rosberg	11
14 N Nakajima	9
15 K Coulthard	8
16 J Bourdais	6
17 S Button	4
18 J Button	3

Manufacturers	
1 Ferrari	134pts
2 McLaren	129
3 BMW Sauber	117
4 Renault	41
4 Toyota	41
6 Scuderia Toro Rosso	27
7 Red Bull	26
8 Williams	17
9 Honda	14



### Grands prix to come

- Oct 12: Japanese (Fuji)
- Oct 19: Chinese (Shanghai)
- Nov 2: Brazilian (Interlagos)