

October 29, 2015

**“The Japanese SUPER FORMULA Championship”  
Tires to be supplied from 2016**

Japan Race Promotion Inc. (JRP), having continued discussions with The Yokohama Rubber Co., Ltd. concerning the supply of tires for the Japanese SUPER FORMULA Championship from 2016, is pleased to announce today that the parties concerned have reached a basic agreement.

The SUPER FORMULA is a race series competed by formula cars with superb cornering performance that are said to be comparable to the F1 cars. Consequently, the tires used on SUPER FORMULA cars require the highest levels of performance.

The JRP has conducted tire development tests with the Yokohama Rubber Co., Ltd. (the Company) since the spring of 2015 that have verified both the excellence of the performance levels of the tires developed by the Company for SUPER FORMULA competition and of the Company's technological development capabilities and supply structure.

We are very pleased to be able to welcome the Yokohama Rubber Co., Ltd. as our partner and we are confident that together we can develop SUPER FORMULA to make it a more attractive and higher level competition.

The “Japanese Championship SUPER FORMULA” will change its name from 2016 to the “Japanese SUPER FORMULA Championship”.

October 29, 2015  
JAPAN RACE PROMOTION INC.  
President  
Hiroshi Shirai

## Outline of the Japanese SUPER FORMULA Championship

“The Japanese SUPER FORMULA Championship” is the pinnacle of the Formula car racing in Asia. The “SF14” chassis from Dallara is installed with Honda- or Toyota-manufactured turbo-charged L4 2-liter, direct-injection engines that develop over 550 hp.

Top drivers from Japan and abroad compete in the Championship with cars whose performance is close to that of F1 cars. Among the drivers are ones with F1 experience, champions of the FIA World Endurance Championship, and from this season, ex-F1 driver, Kamui Kobayashi will also be competing in the SUPER FORMULA series.

This Championship is now attracting increasing interest at home and overseas.

### SF14 Specifications

#### ■ Car

Constructor	Dallara Automobili
Overall Length	5,268mm
Wheelbase	3,165mm
Overall Width	1,910mm
Overall Height	960mm
Weight	660kg(driver on board)
Gearbox	Ricardo 6-speed, paddle shift semi-automatic system
Brakes	Brembo calipers / discs (carbon) (One Make)
Steering System	KYB electric power steering(One Make)
Front suspension	pushrod, torsion bars springs
Rear suspension	pushrod
Safety Standards	FIA 2010 F1 safety standards



#### ■ Engine

Manufacturers / Type	Honda Motor Co., Ltd. / HR-414E
	Toyota Motor Corporation / RI4A
Displacement	2,000cc
Specification	L4 Direct Injection Turbo-Charged
Turbo	GARRETT GTR3575R(One Make)
Weight	85kg
Output	Over 405Kw(550PS)
Restriction Of Output	Fuel Flow Rate Control

#### ■ Overtake System (OTS)

The Overtake System (OTS) is an overtaking aid that works by leveraging the fuel flow restrictor (fuel flow rate control system) employed on the new engine. It can increase fuel supply temporarily to provide approximately 10kg/h of engine performance improvement. By pressing a button called OTB (Overtake Button) on the steering wheel, the system will be activated for 20 seconds per use. Drivers may use the OTS up to 5 times a race. The status of the OTS use can easily be recognized by “Overtake Lamp (five small LEDs)” on the roll hoop. The number of lighted Lamp(s) shows the number of OTS activation, and on top of this they are blinking when the system is in use. The Lamps basically illuminate white while the championship leader comes with red lights called “Leader’s Red”.

This is a system exclusive to SUPER FORMULA.

## 2015 Driver & Team

### PETRONAS TEAM TOM'S

#### 1 Kazuki Nakajima

Date of Birth 1985/1/11  
 2008~09 FIA Formula1  
 2011~ SUPER FORMULA\*  
 '12, '14 Champion  
 2012~ FIA WEC



#### 2 Andre Lotterer

Date of Birth 1981/11/19  
 2003~ SUPER FORMULA\*  
 '11 Champion  
 2006, 09 SUPER GT Champion  
 2011, 12, 14 Le Mans 24h Winner  
 2012 FIA WEC Champion



### KONDO RACING

#### 3 James Rossiter

Date of Birth 1983/8/25  
 2005 European F3  
 2006~08, 12 F1 test driver  
 2012~ FIA WEC  
 2013~ SUPER GT  
 2014~ SUPER FORMULA



#### 4 William Buller

Date of Birth 1992/9/17  
 2008, 09 Formula BMW  
 2010, 11 British F3  
 2012 GP3  
 2013, 14 Formula Renault 3.5



### KYGNUS SUNOCO Team LeMans

#### 7 Ryo Hirakawa

Date of Birth 1994/3/7  
 2012 Japanese F3  
 Champion  
 2013~ SUPER FORMULA  
 2014~ SUPER GT



#### 8 Kamui Kobayashi

Date of Birth 1986/9/13  
 2006, 07 European F3  
 2008, 09 GP2  
 2013 FIA WEC  
 2009~12, 14 FIA Formula1



### REAL RACING

#### 10 Koudai Tsukakoshi

Date of Birth 1986/11/20  
 2005~07 Japanese F3  
 2008 European F3  
 2009~ SUPER FORMULA\*  
 SUPER GT



#### 11 Takuya Izawa

Date of Birth 1984/6/1  
 2006, 07 Japanese F3  
 2008~ SUPER FORMULA\*  
 SUPER GT  
 2014 GP2



### TEAM 無限

#### 16 Naoki Yamamoto

Date of Birth 1988/7/11  
 2009 Japanese F3  
 Champion  
 2010~ SUPER FORMULA\*  
 '13 Champion  
 SUPER GT



### KCMG

#### 18 Yuichi Nakayama

Date of Birth 1991/7/25  
 2011~13 Japanese F3  
 '13 Champion  
 2014~ SUPER FORMULA



### LENOVO TEAM IMPUL

#### 19 João Paulo De Oliveira

Date of Birth 1981/7/13  
 2005 Japanese F3  
 Champion  
 2006~ SUPER GT  
 2007~ SUPER FORMULA\*  
 '10 Champion



#### 20 Andrea Caldarelli

Date of Birth 1990/2/14  
 2008~10 F1 test driver  
 2011 GP3  
 Formula NIPPON  
 SUPER GT  
 2012~



### DRAGO CORSE

#### 34 Takashi Kogure

Date of Birth 1980/8/1  
 2002 Japanese F3  
 Champion  
 2003~ SUPER FORMULA\*  
 2005~ SUPER GT  
 '10 Champion



### RMU/CERUMO-INGING

#### 38 Hiroaki Ishiura

Date of Birth 1981/4/23  
 2006~07 Japanese F3  
 2007~ SUPER GT  
 2008~11 Formula NIPPON  
 2014~ SUPER FORMULA  
 2012, 14, 15 24h Nürburgring Winner



#### 39 Yuji Kunimoto

Date of Birth 1990/9/12  
 2008 FCJ Champion  
 2009~ SUPER GT  
 2010 Japanese F3  
 Champion  
 2011~ SUPER FORMULA\*



### DOCOMO TEAM DANDELION RACING

#### 40 Tomoki Nojiri

Date of Birth 1989/9/15  
 2009~10 FCJ  
 2011~13 Japanese F3  
 2014~ SUPER FORMULA  
 SUPER GT



#### 41 Narain Karthikeyan

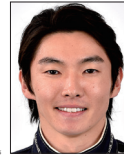
Date of Birth 1977/1/14  
 1998~00 British F3  
 2001 Formula NIPPON  
 2005, 11~12 FIA Formula1  
 2014~ SUPER FORMULA



### NAKAJIMA RACING

#### 64 Daisuke Nakajima

Date of Birth 1989/1/29  
 2007 FCJ  
 2008 Japanese F3  
 2009, 10 British F3  
 2011~ SUPER FORMULA\*  
 2012~ SUPER GT



#### 65 Bertrand Baguette

Date of Birth 1986/2/23  
 2006~09 Formula Renault  
 2010, 11 IRL INDYCAR  
 2012~ FIA WEC  
 '13 LMP2 Champion  
 2014~ SUPER GT



※ It was renamed in 2013 from the "Formula Nippon" to "SUPER FORMULA"

## Holding circuit

### Suzuka Circuit

Course Length: 5.807km  
 Address: 7992 Ino-cho, Suzuka City, Mie Prefecture  
 510-0295, Japan  
 URL: [www.suzukacircuit.jp](http://www.suzukacircuit.jp)

### OKAYAMA International Circuit

Course Length: 3.703km  
 Address: 1210 Takimiya, Mimasaka City, Okayama  
 Prefecture 701-2612, Japan  
 URL: [www.okayama-international-circuit.jp](http://www.okayama-international-circuit.jp)

### Fuji International Speedway

Course Length: 4.563km  
 Address: 694 Nakahinata, Oyama-cho, Sunto-gun,  
 Shizuoka Prefecture 410-1307, Japan  
 URL: [www.fsw.tv](http://www.fsw.tv)

### Twin Ring Motegi

Course Length: 4.801km  
 Address: 120-1 Hiyama, Motegi-machi, Haga-gun,  
 Tochigi Prefecture 321-3597, Japan  
 URL: [www.twinring.jp](http://www.twinring.jp)

### AUTOPOLIS International Racing Course

Course Length: 4.674km  
 Address: 1112-8 Kaminoda, Kamitsue-machi,  
 Hita City, Oita Prefecture 877-0312, Japan  
 URL: [www.autopolis.jp](http://www.autopolis.jp)

### Sportsland SUGO

Course Length: 3.704km  
 Address: 6-1 Sugo Murata-machi, Shibata-gun, Miyagi  
 Prefecture 989-1394, Japan  
 URL: [www.sportsland-sugo.co.jp](http://www.sportsland-sugo.co.jp)