



MONACO GRAND PRIX RACE

SEBASTIAN VETTEL WINS FOR FERRARI USING A ONE-STOP ULTRASOFT-SUPERSOFT STRATEGY

WIDE WINDOW OF DIFFERENT ONE-STOP STRATEGIES RED BULL'S VERSTAPPEN GOES FOR A SECOND STOP UNDER SAFETY CAR

HIGH TRACK TEMPERATURES APPROACHING 50 DEGREES ADD TO THE CHALLENGE OF ONE OF THE FASTEST-EVER RACES IN MONACO

Monaco, May 28, 2017 – Ferrari's Sebastian Vettel won the Monaco Grand Prix with a one-stop ultrasoft-supersoft strategy as expected, after running a longer first stint than his team mate Kimi Raikkonen at a quicker pace, who qualified on pole and finished second.

The same 'overcut' strategy was also used by Red Bull's Daniel Ricciardo to make up two places from his grid position and claim a podium finish. McLaren's Jenson Button and Sauber's Pascal Wehrlein instead tried an early stop in the hope of gaining track position.

Most drivers adopted a one-stop tactic, although some tried an alternative approach. During the safety car period with about 15 laps to go, Red Bull's Max Verstappen took on a final set of ultrasofts in an attempt to get past the Mercedes of Valtteri Bottas.

Mercedes driver Lewis Hamilton started from 13th on the grid and completed a long opening stint on the ultrasoft before ending up in a points-scoring seventh. A couple of punctures were noted during the race, because of a problem with the track at the exit of Turn 1 towards the end of the grand prix.

Leaving aside the safety car period, this was one of the fastest grands prix in Monaco ever held, with the fastest race lap set by Force India's Sergio Perez being more than three seconds faster than the 2016 equivalent (which was already beaten on lap two today).

MARIO ISOLA - HEAD OF CAR RACING

"Although it was always clear that a one-stop strategy would be optimal, there was a very wide range of possibilities as to when the drivers could stop, clearly seen throughout the race. As expected, wear and degradation were low, which allowed for long stints even on the ultrasoft, even though track temperatures were quite high for Monaco. Congratulations to Ferrari for sealing a historic one-two at this very special circuit."

BEST TIME BY COMPOUND

		
-	Raikkonen 1m15.527s	Perez 1m14.820s
-	Ricciardo 1m15.756s	Vettel 1m15.238s



-	Hamilton 1m15.825s	Ricciardo 1m16.019s
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LONGEST STINT OF THE RACE

COMPOUND	DRIVER	LAPS
SUPERSOFT	Perez	47
ULTRASOFT	Wehrlein	56

TRUTHOMETER

Ferrari's Sebastian Vettel won the race using a one-stop strategy, as we expected. He started on the ultrasoft tyre and stopped for the supersoft on lap 39, five laps after his pole-sitting team mate Kimi Raikkonen.



MONTE CARLO PIT STOP SUMMARY

Car	Driver	Start	Pit 1	Pit 2	Pit 3
5	VET	USu	SSn (39)		
7	RAI	USu	SSn (34)		
3	RIC	USu	SSn (38)		
77	BOT	USu	SSn (33)		
33	VER	USu	SSn (32)	USu (60)	
55	SAI	USu	SSn (37)		
44	HAM	USn	SSn (46)		
8	GRO	USu	SSn (40)		
19	MAS	USn	SSn (38)	USu (62)	
20	MAG	USn	SSn (37)	USu (42)	
30	PAL	USn	SSn (42)		
31	OCO	USn	SSn (36)	USn (39)	USn (60)
11	PER	USu	SSn (16)	USu (63)	USu (72)
26	KVY	USn	SSn (36)		
18	STR	USn	SSn (41)	USn (67)	
2	VAN	USu	SSn (43)		
9	ERI	SSn	USn (35)		
94	WEH	SSn	USn (1)		
22	BUT	USu	SSn (1)	USu (39)	
27	HUL	USn			

SS= Supersoft US=Ultrasoft n= new u= used



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