

Michelin Pilot Challenge - O'Reilly Auto Parts 4 Hours at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course

Sunday, June 7, 2026

Pre-Race MxM Official



START TIME END TIME

6:00:00 AM	7:45:00 AM	IMSA T&S Transponder Checks / TV cabling / Track Inspection / Signage
7:00:00 AM		Pit Lane Opens
7:55:00 AM	8:00:00 AM	Pre-Race - VP Challenge
8:00:00 AM	8:45:00 AM	Race #2 - VP Challenge
8:30:00 AM		Michelin Challenge Driver and Team Manager Briefing - Paddock Tire Garage at False Grid
9:00:00 AM	9:05:00 AM	Pre-Race - Mustang Challenge
9:05:00 AM	9:50:00 AM	Race - Mustang Challenge
10:00:00 AM	10:30:00 AM	Michelin Challenge - Autograph Session - Super Pavillion, Infield
10:05:00 AM	10:10:00 AM	Pre-Race - Mazda MX-5
10:10:00 AM	10:55:00 AM	Race - Mazda MX-5
10:30:00 AM		Michelin Challenge Fuel Rig Inspection (Pit Box - Mandatory)
10:35:00 AM		Michelin Challenge False Grid Open
10:55:00 AM	12:05:00 PM	Break / Pre-Race
11:05:00 AM	11:25:00 AM	Mid-Ohio Car Corral Parade Laps (IMSA)
11:05:00 AM		Michelin Challenge False Grid Closed; cars depart from staging, grid echelon style, driver's right. #89 goes to pit box #39 as directed by IMSA Officials for Pit Stop Demonstration.
11:20:00 AM	12:05:00 PM	Pre-Race Grid Walk for the IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge O'Reilly Auto Parts 4 Hours at Mid-Ohio
11:20:00 AM	11:21:00 AM	Pre-Race Welcome/Intro
11:21:00 AM	11:27:00 AM	Pole Award Interviews at the Head of the Grid
11:25:00 AM	12:00:00 PM	IMSA Hot Lap Experience (by invitation only)
11:27:00 AM	11:29:00 AM	Crowdstrike Award Presentation
11:29:00 AM	11:29:15 AM	Introduce Honorary Starter: Justin Zimmerman
11:31:15 AM	11:41:15 AM	#89 HART Pit Stop Demonstration from pit box #39
11:41:15 AM	12:01:00 PM	Grid Interviews / Music
11:47:00 AM		First Call to Clear the Grid
11:53:00 AM		Second Call to Clear the Grid
11:58:00 AM		Final Call to Clear the Grid
11:58:45 AM		10 Minute Warning - "Please cease all work on cars"
12:01:00 PM	12:01:15 PM	Call: "Teams and Officials in Line Formation" (Facing head of grid), Minimum of (4) Uniformed Team members
12:01:15 PM	12:01:30 PM	Introduce Color Guard: Richland County Sheriff's Department
12:01:30 PM	12:01:45 PM	Introduce Chaplin: Ken Willett, Motorsports Ministries
12:01:45 PM	12:02:45 PM	Invocation
12:02:45 PM	12:03:00 PM	Introduce National Anthem Performer: Wendy Reiser
12:03:00 PM	12:04:30 PM	National Anthem
12:03:45 PM		5 Minute Warning
12:04:30 PM		F-16 Flyover
12:04:30 PM	12:04:45 PM	"Drivers, in your car"
12:04:45 PM	12:08:30 PM	Music
12:07:45 PM		1 Minute Warning
12:08:30 PM	12:08:45 PM	Introduce Grand Marshal: Jessie Tuttle, Hub Manager for O'Reilly Auto Parts
12:08:45 PM		"Drivers Start Your Engines"
12:09:30 PM		Dispatch Safety Car (2 Formation Laps)
12:15:00 PM	4:15:00 PM	GREEN FLAG - O'Reilly Auto Parts 4 Hours at Mid-Ohio for IMSA Michelin Pilot Challenge