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DTM – Races 17 & 18 – Hockenheim (DE) – Qualifying 2

Two BMW M4 DTMs in the top ten in qualifying – Fifth place for Maxime Martin.

Hockenheim (DE), 18th October 2015. One day after claiming pole position, Maxime Martin (BE) was again the fastest BMW driver in the second qualifying session in Hockenheim (DE). His fastest time of 1:32.826 minutes at the wheel of the SAMSUNG BMW M4 DTM was enough to earn him fifth place on the grid. Augusto Farfus (BR, Shell BMW M4 DTM) gualified tenth, to make it two BMW DTM drivers in the top ten. Pole position for the final race of the season went to Gary Paffett (GB, Mercedes).

Tom Blomqvist (GB, BMW M4 DTM) was 12th fastest, followed by Bruno Spengler (CA, BMW Bank M4 DTM) and Marco Wittmann (DE, Ice-Watch BMW M4 DTM) in 15th and 16th. António Félix da Costa (PT, Red Bull BMW M4 DTM), Timo Glock (DEUTSCHE POST BMW M4 DTM) and Martin Tomczyk (DE, BMW M Performance Parts M4 DTM) qualified 19th, 21st and 23rd.

Quote from the best-placed BMW driver.

"Starting from the top five, you have a good chance of picking up plenty of points. I could have been a bit faster still, but made a slight mistake. However, that can happen when you only have two flying laps at your disposal in these conditions. I am the best BMW driver and up there at the front of the field again. The season finale has been a very good one for me so far. All in all, however, it looks as though today is going to be more difficult for BMW than yesterday. We will see what we can do in the race, and focus on scoring as many points as possible." -Maxime Martin (BMW Team RMG, 5th)

Facts and Figures.

Circuit/lenath: Hockenheim, 4.574 kilometres

Conditions: Cloudy, 10 degrees Celsius

Pole time: Gary Paffett (GB, Mercedes), 1:32.645 minutes

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#36 Maxime Martin (BE), BMW Team RMG, SAMSUNG BMW M4 DTM 1:32.826 minutes – 5th place

#18 Augusto Farfus (BR), BMW Team RBM, Shell BMW M4 DTM 1:32.976 minutes – 10th place

#31 Tom Blomqvist (GB), BMW Team RBM, BMW M4 DTM 1:33.056 minutes – 12th place

#7 Bruno Spengler (CA), BMW Team MTEK, BMW Bank M4 DTM 1:33.096 minutes – 15th place

#1 Marco Wittmann (DE), BMW Team RMG, Ice-Watch BMW M4 DTM 1:33.098 minutes – 16th place

 #13 António Félix da Costa (PT), BMW Team Schnitzer, Red Bull BMW M4 DTM
1:33.223 minutes – 19th place

#16 Timo Glock (DE), BMW Team MTEK, DEUTSCHE POST BMW M4 DTM 1:33.481 minutes – 21st place

#77 Martin Tomczyk (DE), BMW Team Schnitzer, BMW M Performance Parts M4 DTM 1:33.639 minutes – 23rd place

*The official starting grid may differ from the provisional qualifying results published in this release.

Useful information:

Maxime Martin qualified in the top ten for the ninth time this season.

Augusto Farfus drew level with Marco Wittmann with his tenth top-ten qualifying result of the season. That makes them the two most successful BMW drivers of the year, as far as this statistic is concerned.

Fog caused the start of qualifying to be delayed by 15 minutes.

The 18th of this year's 18 DTM races begins at 15:15 hrs local time.

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