

Media Information BMW M Motorsport 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2021

# BMW M Motorsport presents the BMW M4 GT3 at the Nürburgring: First test race just around the corner.

- BMW M Motorsport reveals the BMW M4 GT3 with its new design ahead of the 24h race and releases car details.
- First test race on 26<sup>th</sup> June at round four of the Nürburgring Endurance Series.
- Media Guide: facts and figures on the development of the BMW M4 GT3.

Munich. The curtain is raised on the BMW M4 GT3 in its new BMW M Motorsport design: ahead of the Nürburgring 24 Hours (GER), BMW's new GT flagship was revealed in its new livery, heralding the final phase of testing. The BMW M4 GT3 will contest its first race on  $26^{th}$  June at round four of the Nürburgring Endurance Series (NLS). The purchase price for the car, which has undergone significant improvements in the areas of driveability, cost efficiency and operation, will be  $\in$  415,000 net. You can find our Media Guide with detailed data and facts on the development of the BMW M4 GT3 attached to this press release and in the BMW Group Pressclub.

"The development work on the BMW M4 GT3 is now on the finishing straight, and the 24-hour race at the Nürburgring is the perfect stage on which to present the car in its BMW M Motorsport design and thus to herald the final phase leading up to the first race outings," said Markus Flasch, CEO of BMW M GmbH. "The new BMW M4 Competition (fuel consumption combined: 10.2 – 9.9 I/100 km acc. WLTP, 10.2 I/100 km acc. NEDC; CO<sub>2</sub> emissions combined: 233 – 227 g/km acc. WLTP, 234 g/km acc. NEDC) provides the perfect basis for the BMW M4 GT3, whose engine was designed from the outset for use at the racetrack. This underlines how road car and race car development always go hand in hand at BMW M GmbH. The new car offers state-of-the-art technology, thanks to our technology partners. They are among the best in their respective fields, and we are delighted to have them supporting us on the development of



















the BMW M4 GT3 with their specific know-how and areas of expertise. That is the perfect basis for a successful new race car."

Since the start of 2020, the BMW M4 GT3 has undergone many stages of development. This began virtually with CAD and CFD simulations, and continued with the use of an engine on the test bench, the assembly of the test chassis and work in the wind tunnel. One milestone was the roll-out on 18<sup>th</sup> July 2020. This was followed by many tests at various racetracks, at which many BMW works drivers made valuable contributions. In December 2020, at the BMW SIM Live Event, Philipp Eng (AUT) demonstrated the steering wheel for the BMW M4 GT3, which was developed together with FANATEC. It is the first steering wheel in the world that can be used in both a real race car and a simulator without modifications.

In 2021, the test work continued in Monteblanco (ESP), Almeria (ESP) and on the Nürburgring-Nordschleife (GER). The car currently has more than 14,000 test kilometres under its belt – that is the equivalent of more than 70 hours of track time. Throughout this phase, the BMW M Motorsport engineers worked hard to improve the driveability and reliability of the car on its way to being race-ready. The goal: to significantly reduce lifecycle costs and maintenance expenditure compared to its predecessor. Following the launch and race debut in June, the BMW M4 GT3 will undergo more tests and race outings before it is delivered to the first customers, who will compete with the car all over the world in 2022.

The biggest improvements compared to its predecessor, the BMW M6 GT3, are in three areas: driveability, cost efficiency and operation. The BMW M4 GT3's handling and cockpit equipment are more comfortable for amateur drivers, while the car is easier on the tyres and offers greater consistency. Far lower lifecycle costs and longer maintenance intervals for the engine and transmission are vital economic factors. Operating the car has been made far easier by the fact that many basic settings can be configured directly via the steering wheel, without having to connect an external laptop.

The purchase price of the BMW M4 GT3 starts at  $\in$  415,000 net –  $\in$  4,000 less than the price of its predecessor, the BMW M6 GT3, and roughly the same as its competitors. The 'Competition Package' is available as an option ex factory for

















an additional charge. This includes useful optional features, integrated and tested specifically for use in endurance races. As a special extra, the package includes an exclusive training day in an in-house BMW M4 GT3 simulator.

### Comparison of the BMW M4 GT3 and BMW M6 GT3:

#### Dimensions:

	BMW M4 GT3	BMW M6 GT3
Length:	5,020 mm	4,975 mm
Width:	2,040 mm	2,046 mm
Height:	1,308 mm (variable)	1,308 mm (variable)
Wheelbase:	2,917 mm	2,901 mm
Wheel size:	12.5 x 18 inch, front	13 x 18 inch, front
	13 x 18 inch, rear	13 x 18 inch, rear

#### Technical data:

	BMW M4 GT3	BMW M6 GT3
Engine:	P58 3.0I straight six	P63 4.4I V8 engine
	M TwinPower Turbo	M TwinPower Turbo
Capacity:	2,993 cm3	4,399 cm3
Output:	up to 590 hp	up to 580 hp
Specific		
Output:	197 hp/l	132 hp/l
Transmission:	Xtrac 6-speed gearbox	Ricardo 6-speed gearbox

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