

# MOLECULE Formula Mazda Challenge



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## Molecule Formula Mazda Challenge Season Preview



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Opening day for the Molecule Formula Mazda Challenge season is the February 13<sup>th</sup> test day at Infineon Raceway. The test day is in preparation for the double header weekend. The series is open to all three types of spec Formula Mazdas.

For the 2009 MFMC Season the Pro Formula Mazdas will compete in 13 races. Six of the races will take place at Infineon

Raceway where the series was first started in 2004. Four races will be at Thunderhill Raceway in Willows California, and two of those will be run in the "Lih Red Nhut" configuration (Thunderhill backwards.) Two races will take place at the series' spiritual home; Mazda Raceway, and a single event will be at Miller Motorsports Park in Utah. Two of the weekends are a part of the televised Star Mazda Championship. The championship will be decided by the best ten finishes of the thirteen events. Every event that the Pro Formula Mazdas compete in this season will be a series exclusive with only Formula Mazdas on track.

The Standard Formula Mazda and Formula E powered by Mazda drivers have a nice mix of NASA exclusivity and SCCA Club racing. Their schedule has them at Infineon Raceway and Thunderhill Raceway for five races each, and they will visit Mazda Raceway for three races. The best twelve out of thirteen races decide the championship for these classes.

As the MOLECULE Formula Mazda Challenge forges into its fifth consecutive season it was announced that NASA has agreed to promote the series as an officially sanctioned NASA race group. The year end cash awards have grown to over \$18,000 for the season with the addition of support from MAZDASPEED. Additional series partners include Star Race Cars, Goodyear, and title sponsor Molecule Labs. Additional partners and prizes will be announced in upcoming press releases.



The Molecule Formula Mazda Challenge is a regional Star Mazda series that keeps costs in check by limiting travel to a general region and racing spec open wheel cars. There are three classes that are welcomed to compete in the events; The Pro Formula Mazda, the Standard Formula Mazda, and the Formula E powered by Mazda. The series has its own media team and website and gets covered by most of the more popular racing sites such as Motorsport.com and EFormulaCarNews.com. The Pro FM schedule has a limited amount of TV coverage as well.

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