

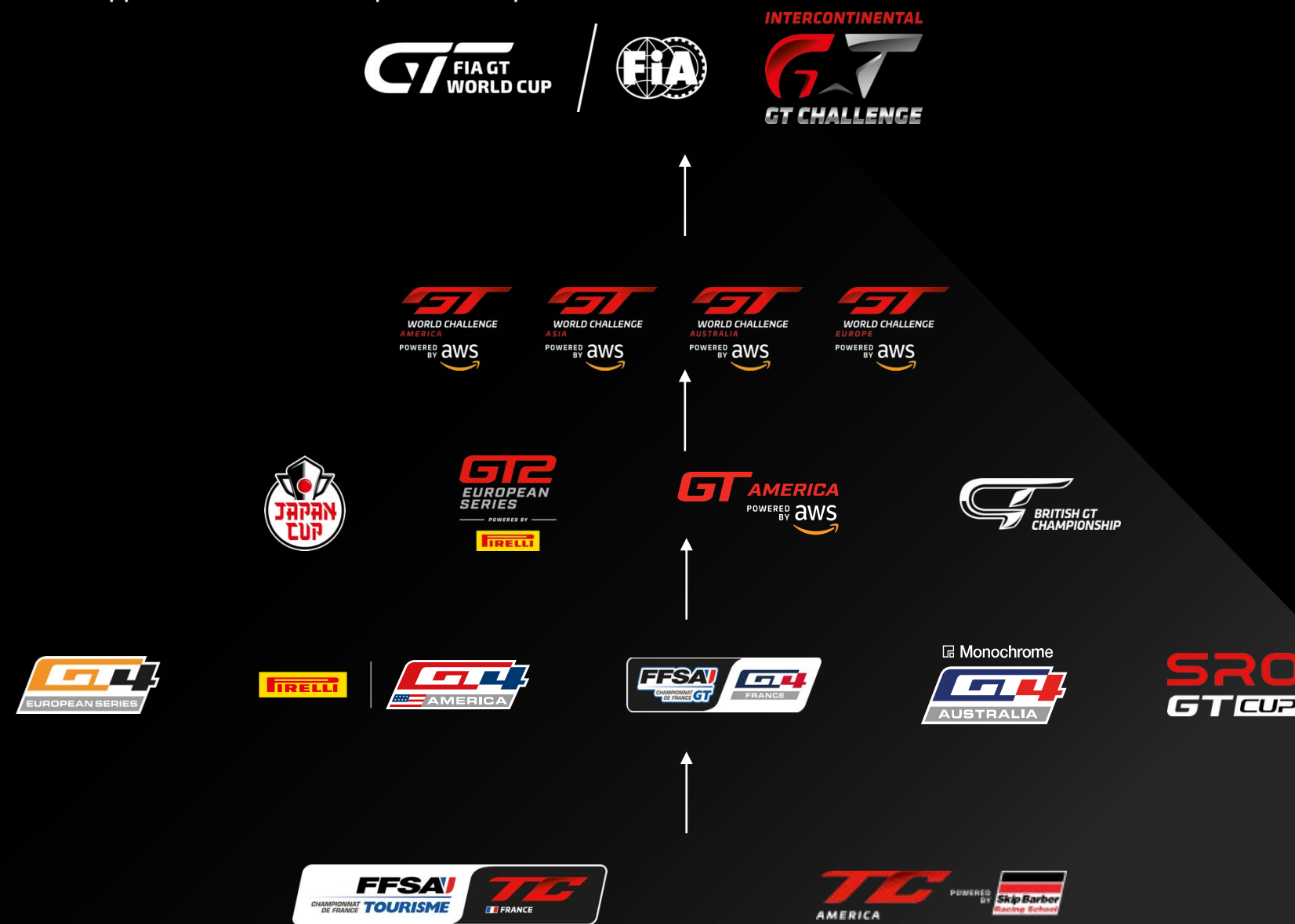
SRO GT ACADEMY 2026

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THE GLOBAL LEADER IN GT RACING

With more than three decades of experience at the forefront of a continuously evolving industry, SRO Motorsports Group is the established global leader in GT racing. The below pyramid outlines key Series within the portfolio organise by SRO Motorsports Group directly. There are many other Series that operate with the support of SRO Motorsports Group.



2026 SRO GT ACADEMY

There are three elements to the SRO GT Academy offering opportunities to young up-and-coming drivers through the SRO ladder.

The driver assessment process is designed to reveal a driver's true individual ability and potential, reducing the influence of external factors such as co-driver performance, reliability and luck.

The Academy has been created to focus on the drivers. The communications will be tailored around each individual driver that is eligible to take part and will follow them throughout their journey. A number of common regulations will apply across all three elements.

While points-scoring criteria will vary slightly between each element, average race pace and fastest race laps will be used across all three. Conversely, unsporting behaviour on and off the track will incur a points deduction; in the most serious cases, it may result in exclusion from programme.

FFSA GT

The collaboration with the FFSA within the Championnat de France FFSA GT was the original concept which launched in 2025. The best performing Silver driver overall will receive a contribution of €150,000 towards a season in GT World Europe 2027.

GT2 EUROPEAN SERIES

In 2026, there will be a prize for the best performing Silver driver in the GT2 European Series powered by Pirelli to receive a fully funded seat with a Mercedes-AMG Customer Racing Team in GT World Europe Endurance Cup in 2027.

This programme is reserved for Silver drivers aged under 30, driving cars from participating brands, including Ginetta, Maserati, Ligier and Mercedes-AMG, with other brands to be announced shortly.

CROWDSTRIKE 24 HOURS OF SPA GT WORLD & BRITISH GT

In the latest exciting announcement, the fastest and overall performing silver driver (under 30 years old) from GT World Asia, GT World America, GT World Australia and British GT will be eligible for the 2027 CrowdStrike 24 Hours of Spa SRO GT Academy car. The successful quartet will earn a fully funded seat with an accomplished professional team, providing them with a once-in-a-life-time opportunity to take on the biggest GT3 race in the world.

DRIVER ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- No derogated drivers
- Any FIA Silver graded driver, including provisional or Under Review
- Under 30 years of age on 31st December 2026
- Full Season (other than force majeure accepted by Sporting Board)
- You cannot enter multiple Academy Series to win multiple prizes. For example, if you enter British GT and GT2 European Series you must choose at the beginning of the season which prize you want to be eligible for.
- You cannot be an eligible Silver if you have competed in one or more rounds of the GT World Europe Sprint or Endurance Cups in the Pro category.

CALENDRIER 2026

1	NOGARO	04 - 06 AVRIL
2	DIJON-PRENOIS	15 - 17 MAI
3	SPA-FRANCORCHAMPS	19 - 21 JUN
4	MAGNY-COURS	31 - 02 AOÛT
5	PAUL RICARD	09 - 11 OCTOBRE

CHAMPIONNAT DE FRANCE FFSA GT

The FFSA GT SRO Academy is entering its second season, having proven the concept in 2025, with the winner set to receive a contribution of €150,000 to secure a place on the GT World Europe grid in 2027. The French series represents the foundation of the Academy, with drivers competing in GT4 cars that provide close competition at a realistic price point.

A series under the umbrella of the French Federation of Motor Sport, the FFSA French GT Championship enjoys a prestigious calendar visiting four of the most beautiful French tracks throughout 2026 and the series will feature once again at Spa-Francorchamps supporting the popular Spa Speedweek.

Classes

Pro-Am Class
Silver - Bronze

Am Class
Bronze - Bronze

**Note, the Am Class is not eligible for the Academy*

FORMAT

Cars feature a maximum of two drivers, each of whom qualifies for and then starts one of the weekend's two 60-minute races. For the first time, a 2-hour race will be held during Spa Speedweek alongside British GT

SRO GT ACADEMY POINTS WILL BE AWARDED USING THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA

- Qualifying Times
- Average 10 lap times in Race 1 & Race 2
- Fastest lap in Race 1 & Race 2
- Classification on the lap before the pit window opens

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CHAMPIONNAT DE FRANCE FFSA GT

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

The collaboration between SRO Motorsports Group and Fédération Française du Sport Automobile (FFSA) in the Championnat de France FFSA GT was the original concept, from which Gaspard Simon emerged as the first winner of the SRO GT Academy in 2025.

This exciting FFSA GT programme will continue in 2026, allowing another future star to take their first steps into international competition at some of the most world-renowned circuits.

Beyond the final prize, participants in the SRO GT Academy benefit from a larger training programme, with the aim of giving them a deeper understanding of motorsport and media operations, provided by SRO Motorsports Group and the FFSA.

In 2025, three drivers competing in the SRO GT Academy were invited to join the SRO Team during the CrowdStrike 24 Hours of Spa. Gaspard Simon was actively involved in the sporting management team as a “Driver Advisor” — a driver who assists the stewards in their decision-making process. The other two SRO GT Academy drivers were given the opportunity to join the official Safety Car driver.

Gaspard Simon was also honoured at the SRO Motorsports Group Awards Ceremony in Venice, as well as at the FFSA Awards Ceremony held in Paris at the end of 2025.

Following his victory at the SRO GT Academy, Gaspard will take part in a training programme within the FFSA. This programme will include physical and psychological assessment, as well as multiple training sessions in the official FFSA Academy simulator.

He will also benefit from a mentoring programme provided by SRO Motorsports Group, aimed at introducing him to the various technical, regulatory, and media-related aspects of motorsport.

The SRO Technical Director, SRO Sporting Director and SRO Sporting Manager, along with the communication team from the SRO Paris office, will deliver a one-week programme to provide Gaspard with the essential foundations to help further his development.



GT2 EUROPEAN SERIES POWERED BY PIRELLI

Successfully introduced in the FFSA GT Championship in 2025, the SRO GT Academy will be extended in 2026 to the GT2 European Series powered by Pirelli. The winner will earn a fully funded seat (excluding crash damage) with a Mercedes-AMG Customer Racing Team for the 2027 GT World Europe Endurance Cup.

In GT2 Europe, the initiative will be open to drivers competing with the following cars, while additional manufacturers may join ahead of the new campaign;

- Ginetta
- Ligier
- Maserati
- Mercedes-AMG

Four GT2 European Series powered by Pirelli rounds will run in tandem with GT World Challenge Europe powered by AWS for 2026, while one round will feature in SRO's Spa Speedweek preceding the CrowdStrike 24 Hours of Spa.

Classes

Silver Class:
Silver / Silver

Pro-Am Class
Gold – Bronze
Silver - Bronze

Masters Class
Bronze - Bronze

**There is provision for single-driver entries in Silver Cup which would be eligible for the SRO GT Academy once they have nominated themselves as Driver 1 or Driver 2.*

****Note, the Masters Class is not eligible for the Academy*

Race Weekend Format

Each race weekend consists of two 60-minute free practice sessions, followed by two 15-minute qualifying sessions to define the grids for two 50-minute races, each with a mandatory pit stop.

With no limit on private testing outside of championship rounds, there are plenty of opportunities to take part in additional paid testing events.

SRO GT ACADEMY POINTS WILL BE AWARDED USING THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA

- Qualifying Times *Further information to be released in the SRO GT Academy Regulations for Silver/Silver pairings.
- Average 10 lap times in Race 1 & Race 2
- Fastest lap in Race 1 & Race 2

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2026 CALENDAR

R1 | **MONZA**
30-31 MAY

R2 | **SPA SPEEDWEEK**
20-21 JUNE

R3 | **MISANO**
18-19 JULY

R4 | **ZANDVOORT**
19-20 SEPTEMBER

R5 | **PORTIMAO**
17-18 OCTOBER



ELIGIBLE CARS

Cars eligible for SRO GT Academy
Others likely to be announced.



Maserati GT2



Mercedes-AMG GT2



Ginetta G56 GT2



Ligier JS2 RS

Other cars eligible for the Series



Audi R8 LMS GT2



Brabham BT63 GT2



KTM X-BOW GT2



Porsche 911 GT2 RS

Invitational Cars



Porsche 992 & 911 GT3 Cup



Lamborghini Huracan Super Trofeo EVO2

GT2 homologated and invitational cars compete for the **same classification** and follow the **same Balance of Performance process**.

CROWDSTRIKE 24 HOURS OF SPA SRO GT ACADEMY CAR

A quartet of drivers – one each from British GT and the continental GT World powered by AWS series in America, Asia and Australia – will earn a fully-funded seat at the 2027 CrowdStrike 24 Hours of Spa.

This international cast will join forces in an SRO GT Academy car as they tackle the biggest GT race in the world.

The ultimate destination for successful Academy graduates is GT World Europe, the global reference in GT3 racing. By competing at the highest level, drivers will have an opportunity to prove themselves against world-class opposition and to forge a professional career.

Indeed, an outstanding competitor could progress from FFSA GT through GT2 Europe and finally to GT World Europe thanks to the Academy.



2026 CALENDAR

	SEPANG 2X 1-HOUR RACES		4-5 APRIL
	MANDALIKA 2X 1-HOUR RACES		2-3 MAY
	SHANGHAI 2X 1-HOUR RACES		5-6 JUNE
	FUJI 4X 1-HOUR RACES		11-12 JULY
	OKAYAMA 4X 1-HOUR RACES		29-30 AUGUST
	BEIJING STREET CIRCUIT 2X 1-HOUR RACES		3-4 OCTOBER

GT WORLD ASIA

GT World Asia, comprises a quarter of SRO Motorsports Group's worldwide GT3 sprint racing platform where the performances of manufacturers and drivers contribute towards a global championship as well as domestic titles.

At least one Asian driver per crew is mandatory in Pro-Am, Silver, Silver-Am and Am, while events feature a dedicated test session for amateur drivers.

CLASSES

<u>Pro-Am Class</u>	<u>Silver Class:</u>	<u>Silver-Am Class</u>	<u>Am Class</u>
Platinum / Bronze	Silver / Silver	Silver / Bronze	Bronze / Bronze
Gold / Bronze			
Silver / Bronze			

**Note, the Am class is not eligible for the Academy*

FORMAT

Cars feature a maximum of two drivers, each of whom qualifies for and then starts one of the weekend's two 60-minute races.

COMPENSATION TIME

The top three finishers from the previous round in each category will receive compensation times during their mandatory pitstop.

SRO GT ACADEMY POINTS WILL BE AWARDED USING THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA

- Qualifying Times *Further information to be released in the SRO GT Academy Regulations for Silver/Silver pairings.
- Average 10 lap times in Race 1 & Race 2
- Fastest lap in Race 1 & Race 2

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R1	SONOMA RACEWAY	27-29 MARCH
R2	CIRCUIT OF THE AMERICAS	24-26 APRIL
R3	SEBRING INT'L RACEWAY	15-17 MAY
R4	ROAD ATLANTA	12-14 JUNE
R5	ROAD AMERICA	28-30 AUGUST
R6	BARBER MOTORSPORTS PARK	25-27 SEPTEMBER
R7	INDIANAPOLIS 8 HOUR	8-10 OCTOBER

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GT WORLD AMERICA

GT World America Powered by AWS stands as North America's flagship GT3 championship.

Each three-day event will spotlight a feature 180-minute marquee race, delivering maximum track time, deeper strategic opportunity, and a more immersive weekend platform for brands, partners, and fans.

As part of its global influence, GT World America will once again anchor the season finale of the Intercontinental GT Challenge with the Indianapolis 8 Hour; a world-class stage that connects North American competitors with the most prestigious GT races on the planet.

CLASSES

<u>Pro Class</u>	<u>Pro-Am Class</u>	<u>Am Class</u>
Platinum / Silver	Platinum / Bronze	Bronze / Bronze
Gold / Silver	Gold / Bronze	
Silver / Silver	Silver / Bronze	

**Note, the Bronze class is not eligible for the Academy*

FORMAT

Cars feature a maximum of two drivers, with one 3-Hour race per weekend

**With the exception of the final Indianapolis 8 Hour where a third driver is mandatory to join the existing line up.*

SRO GT ACADEMY POINTS WILL BE AWARDED USING THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA

- Qualifying Times *Further information to be released in the SRO GT Academy Regulations
- Average 20 lap times in the 3-Hour and 8-Hour race
- Fastest lap in the 3-Hour and 8-Hour race

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2026 CALENDAR

MEDIA DAY	PHILLIP ISLAND GRAND PRIX CIRCUIT	17 MARCH
R1	PHILLIP ISLAND GRAND PRIX CIRCUIT	27-29 MARCH
R2	SHELL V-POWER MOTORSPORT PARK	8-10 MAY
R3	QUEENSLAND RACEWAY	12-14 JUNE
R4	HIDDEN VALLEY RACEWAY	24-26 JULY
R5	SYDNEY MOTORSPORT PARK	18-20 SEPTEMBER
R6	ADELAIDE STREET CIRCUIT	26-29 NOVEMBER

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GT World Australia surged forward in 2025, with SRO Motorsports Australia delivering another year of growth, professionalism and world-class competition. Continuing to attract diverse machinery with multiple manufacturers, competitive grids and a committed roster of teams and drivers.

CLASSES

Pro-Am Class

Platinum / Bronze
Gold / Bronze
Silver / Bronze

Am Class

Bronze / Bronze
Bronze*

Trophy Class

Silver / Bronze

*There is provision for single-driver entries in Am Cup. Note the Trophy class is not eligible for the SRO GT Academy.

FORMAT

- Cars feature a maximum of two drivers, each of whom qualifies for and then starts one of the weekend's two 60-minute races. The pit stops are split with the Am class pit window opening first and the Pro-Am pit window opening second.

COMPENSATION TIME

The top three finishers from the previous round in each category will receive compensation times during their mandatory pitstop.

SRO GT ACADEMY POINTS WILL BE AWARDED USING THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA

- Qualifying Times
- Average 10 lap times in Race 1 & Race 2
- Fastest lap in Race 1 & Race 2
- Classification on the lap before the pit window opens

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2026 CALENDAR

R1 | **MEDIA DAY**
31 MARCH

R2 | **SILVERSTONE 500**
25 - 26 APRIL

R3 | **OULTON PARK**
23 & 25 MAY

R4 | **SPA-FRANCORCHAMPS**
20 - 21 JUNE

R5 | **SNETTERTON**
15 - 16 AUGUST

R6 | **DONINGTON PARK**
5 - 6 SEPTEMBER

R7 | **BRANDS HATCH**
26 - 27 SEPTEMBER



BRITISH GT

The British GT Championship has remained one of the UK's premier national categories for more than 30 years. The series' multi-class format brings together production-based, race-tuned supercars built to both GT3 and GT4 regulations – two cornerstones of customer racing.

Renowned for its exciting pro-am competition in a variety of race lengths, the SRO GT Academy will give talented Silver drivers an additional prize to aim for.

GT3 CLASSES

Pro-Am Class
Platinum / Bronze
Gold / Bronze
Silver / Bronze

Silver-Am Class
Silver / Bronze

GT4 CLASSES

Pro-Am Class
Gold / Bronze
Silver / Bronze

Silver Class
Silver / Silver

**Note, the GT4 class is not eligible for the SRO GT Academy.*

FORMAT

Cars feature a maximum of two drivers, each of whom qualifies for and then starts one of the weekend;

- Two x 60-minute races.
- 2 Hour Race
- 3 Hour Race

COMPENSATION TIME

The top three finishers from the previous round in each category will receive Pitstop Success Penalties during their mandatory pitstop. The penalties are increased for races with a duration of two or three hours.

SRO GT ACADEMY POINTS WILL BE AWARDED USING THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA

- Qualifying Times
- Race Average 20 lap times (Silverstone)
- Race Average 10 lap times (Donington, Spa, Brands)
- Race 1 & 2 Average 10 lap times (Snetterton and Oulton)
- Fastest lap in Race (s)
- Classification on the lap before the pit window opens (Snetterton and Oulton)

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DRIVER DEVELOPMENT & MENTORING

Within the SRO GT Academy, we will focus on the drivers. Your personality. Your skill. Your individual pace.

This Academy is about YOU.

We want to work with you to further develop and mentor drivers at each stage of the process, whether this is throughout the season or once we have announced the winners.

Some of the opportunities and programmes that will run alongside the SRO GT Academy are not limited to, the following;

- **Media Training for the winning drivers within the SRO GT Academy**
- **Television Training for the winning drivers within the SRO GT Academy**
- **Opportunities to work with the broadcast teams on SRO series as part of the television training**

Drivers eligible for the SRO GT Academy may be invited to their Series media workshops at weekend. They will have the opportunity to practice television interviews and work alongside broadcast team in commentary.

- **Opportunities to be Safety Car drivers on some of our key events within SRO**

In 2025 drivers from FFSA GT eligible for the SRO GT Academy were invited to the CrowdStrike 24 Hours of Spa as Official Safety car drivers and observers.

- **Opportunities to develop a further understanding of Driver advising at key events within SRO**

Drivers may be given the opportunity to assist in Race Control across other SRO Series to work alongside Officials as driver standard advisors.

- **Technical Advice and workshops with the Technical Director of SRO Motorsports Group**
- **Sporting Advice and workshops with the Sporting Director of SRO Motorsports Group**

There are many more elements to racing in Motorsport other than just driving. Winners of the SRO GT Academy will have the opportunity to learn and speak with the some of SRO's most senior members.

- **Winning drivers from the SRO GT Academy will be put with top tier teams to enhance their experience**

SRO will work closely with winners of the SRO GT Academy to ensure that the drivers are placed with top teams.

DRIVER RESPONSIBILITY & PROMOTION

Throughout the 2026 season there will be regular press releases focusing on YOU the drivers eligible for the SRO GT Academy. Once your full season entry forms have been received your Series Managers will inform you whether you are eligible to score points in the SRO GT Academy.

- Drivers will be required for photo and video shoots.
- Drivers will be required to fill in commentator and media packs for the Series you are taking part in.
- Drivers will need to work with and liaise with the Series Press Officers on social media and not only promote themselves but promote the Series they are taking part in.
- Winners will be required to attend the SRO Motorsports Group Awards Gala at the end of the season and Series Awards Dinners (if applicable). Time and Date to be confirmed.
- Drivers will be required to adhere to the graphical charter for suit requirements (SRO GT Academy driver patch) and car decal requirements (to be released in a graphical charter soon).
- Winners of the SRO GT Academy from the GT2 European Series and the CrowdStrike 24 Hours of Spa SRO GT Academy car will be liable for any crash damage or additional testing costs outside of the prize.
- Drivers eligible for the CrowdStrike 24 Hours of Spa SRO GT Academy car, who lock in a full season seat in GT World Europe Endurance, will relinquish their seat in the SRO GT Academy car. There will be no cash or any other alternative opportunity.
- Drivers eligible for the FFSA GT prize of 150,000 euros that do not wish to find a seat in GT World Europe Sprint or Endurance in 2027 Series or are not able to find a seat in the GT World Europe Sprint or Endurance Series in 2027, they will not be able to transfer or accept the prize as cash.
- Drivers eligible for the GT2 European Series, who upon winning, do not wish to race a Mercedes-AMG, they will relinquish the prize. It cannot be transferred to another Manufacturer.

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