

Good start for the two Porsche 919 Hybrids

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28/08/2015 The Porsche Team has enjoyed a smooth first day of practice before its home race at the Nürburgring. The circuit in the Eifel mountains is the venue for the fourth of eight rounds for the FIA World Endurance Championship (WEC).

Porsche, the winner at Le Mans, currently leads the manufacturers' standings. With around 80 per cent new bodywork for higher downforce, the class one Le Mans prototype (LMP1) looks significantly different compared to its low downforce aero spec for the endless straights at Le Mans.

Promise for an exciting race

The first of two 90-minute practice sessions on Friday took place in changing weather conditions, while

the 5.137 km long track was dry for the second session. With a lap time of 1:37.921 minutes the Porsche 919 Hybrid of Timo Bernhard (DE), Brendon Hartley (NZ) and Mark Webber (AUS) was second in the second free practice, which was the faster of the two sessions. The sister car, shared by Romain Dumas (FR), Neel Jani (CH) and Marc Lieb (DE), came third with a lap of 1:37.932 minutes. Today's overall fastest Audi was only six hundredths of a second away, which is promising for an exciting race.

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