



Nissan e.dams scores podium finish at the Mexico Formula E race

Super Pole winner Oliver Rowland finishes third at the new Puebla E-Prix

Puebla, Mexico – The Nissan e.dams team fought hard in today's thrilling ABB FIA Formula E World Championship Mexico E-Prix, with car #22 LEAF driver Oliver Rowland winning the Super Pole shootout and a podium finish in an action-packed doubleheader on the new Autodromo Miguel E. Abed.

Rowland led the early running of round nine of the 2020-21 all-electric racing series, but his aggressive, early Attack Mode strategy couldn't retain the lead. He ultimately finished fourth in the 32-lap race, however Werhlein received a five second time penalty for an improper use of FanBoost, and moved Rowland into third. A result that propelled him four places higher in the driver standings to 10th position. Teammate Sebastien Buemi finished 14th, and Nissan e.dams picked up 18 valuable points in the Formula E team standings.

Rowland put his Nissan Gen2-powered Formula E racer on pole position for the race by topping the field in the Super Pole shootout. It was the fourth pole position in his Formula E career. Teammate Sebastien Buemi qualified seventh on the unique superspeedway road course configuration of the east-central Mexican circuit.

The team had a disappointing Saturday, when both Nissan e.dams cars were disqualified from the round eight race for a technical infraction. Rowland, showing fast form all weekend, had qualified on the front row. Buemi had struggled with pace on Saturday, starting P19 after qualifying.

Nissan races in Formula E to bring the excitement and fun of zero-emission electric vehicles to a global audience. As part of its goal to achieve carbon neutrality across its operations and the life cycle of its products by 2050, Nissan intends to electrify all-new Nissan vehicle offerings by the early 2030s in key markets. Nissan aims to bring its expertise in transferring knowledge and technology between the racetrack and road for better electric vehicles for customers.

"Overall, we must be focus on the positives of the weekend," said Tommaso Volpe, Nissan global motorsports director. "We have come back with a stronger race pace compared to the first half of the season. We have been at the top of free practice, and in qualifying we were P2 and pole position. We know the car is fast and have improved a lot. It is disappointing that yesterday we got disqualified for an FIA procedural failure. Today we started in pole position but our P3 results shows that while we have recovered race pace we are still not at the top. Unfortunately, Sebastien was not feeling confident with the grip of the car the whole weekend. We still need to improve."

Nissan is a pioneer in the electric mobility field in Mexico. Nissan LEAF was launched in Mexico in 2014, becoming the country's first mass-market 100% electric vehicle, while the second-generation LEAF was launched in 2018 with great success. Recently, Nissan reached the milestone of 700 charging stations across the nation, both in public spaces and throughout its dealership network, forging the path for a new era of mobility.

"Oliver's results, starting on the front row both rounds, reflected his great pace all weekend at Puebla, but the weekend overall was disappointing," said Gregory Driot, co-

team principal of Nissan e.dams. "We need to convert that potential into what really counts, victories. This will be our mission as we head to New York in two weeks." The championship heads to New York next for rounds 10 and 11 on July 10 and 11.

Driver Quotes

Oliver Rowland

"Overall a pretty reasonable day. I scored three points for pole, then finished fourth in the race, but now into third. Bit disappointed to not quite make the podium right after the race, but I think we did the maximum today. Today there wasn't much left. I didn't quite have the speed, ultimately, in the end. Struggled a little bit with tyres. But we showed we had great pace in qualifying and we have something really to work on for the remaining races, and I think we just need to focus on just making the small details in the race a bit better. There's no reason why we can't challenge for the championship til the end of the season."

Sebastien Buemi

"I'm happy for Oli today. He's done a great job. At least that's good for the team. On my side I got a bit unlucky. I started P7 and got pushed and obviously had to drive off line. There was lots of stones and I couldn't get it back on track and lost like eight or nine positions in one lap. So, at the end I tried to recover as much as I could but obviously that was over for points. So, disappointed weekend again but I feel like we have some speed. Hopefully in New York, we will be able to convert it into some results."