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## IMSA INTRODUCES DAYTONA PROTOTYPE INTERNATIONAL (DPI) TO DEBUT IN 2017

### ENGINE ELIGIBILITY, BODYWORK GUIDELINES FOR MULTIPLE MANUFACTURERS ANNOUNCED

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (Oct. 1, 2015) – The International Motor Sports Association (IMSA) today confirmed the release of engine and bodywork guidelines along with an updated name for new Prototypes competing in the IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship beginning in 2017. The new IMSA-based car formula will be known as Daytona Prototype international (DPI).

The new chassis, which is the result of unprecedented collaboration among the world's top governing bodies for sports car racing – IMSA, the Federation Internationale de l'Automobile (FIA) and the Automobile Club l'Ouest (ACO) – will be built by the four constructors approved and announced earlier this summer: Dallara, Onroak Automotive, ORECA and Riley/Multimatic. DPI and new LM P2 cars coming online in 2017 will be eligible to compete in the top Prototype class for overall race wins.

IMSA's DPI philosophy allows for cars to be powered by a wide range of engines from the world's leading automobile manufacturers. The cars also will feature manufacturer-specific bodywork and styling cues.

Beginning with the 2017 season, this unique approach will usher in a new chapter of prototype racing. It is expected to attract several major automobile manufacturers seeking to showcase and develop their technologies in the most challenging environment possible - endurance sports car racing - including marquee North American events such as the Rolex 24 At Daytona, 12 Hours of Sebring, Six Hours of The Glen and 10-hour Petit Le Mans at Road Atlanta.



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