

# PRODIGY RACING LEAGUE (PRL) COMPETITION RULES

## PRL iRacing GR86 Cup Open Challenge

Season 1 | Tournament 1 June 19, 2023 – July 2, 2023



## INTRODUCTION

Racing Prodigy<sup>™</sup> and iRacing are excited to partner on the first Prodigy Racing League<sup>™</sup> sim racing competition. This competition is limited to iRacing members who have registered on <u>www.RacingProdigy.com</u>.

This document is a guide for those wishing to compete in the Prodigy Racing League esports competition and should be read in addition to the other Racing Prodigy and iRacing rules applicable to all members.

This guide, together with <u>iRacing's Official Sporting Code</u>, <u>iRacing's Terms of Use and End User License</u> Agreement, <u>iRacing.com Motorsport Simulations</u>, <u>LLC Privacy Policy</u>, <u>iRacing's Online Competitions and</u> <u>Contests Official Contest Rules</u>, <u>Racing Prodigy's Sporting Code</u>, and <u>Racing Prodigy's Privacy Policy</u> form the body of rules and procedures applicable to the iRacing and Racing Prodigy members who compete in this competition (collectively, the "Rules").

Each member who intends to compete in this competition is required to read, understand and agree to all Rules prior to participation. The Rules are a contract between each iRacing member, iRacing.com Motorsport Simulations, LLC, Racing Prodigy member, and Racing Prodigy, Inc. When registering for the competition, iRacing.com and Racing Prodigy members may accept the Rules by accepting the click-through terms on iRacing.com and RacingProdigy.com. All information in this document is subject to change.

The Prodigy Racing League iRacing GR86 Cup Open Challenge is a Racing Prodigy, Inc. competition and promotion. Prizes are funded and provided by Racing Prodigy, Inc. iRacing is a licensed partner of Racing Prodigy, Inc. and is only providing the platform on which this online competition is taking place.



## **RACING PRODIGY OVERVIEW**

Racing Prodigy has set out to open motorsports to all.

Historically, the cost of pursuing a career in motorsports has been so daunting that 99%+ of people never realize the opportunity or even dare dream of becoming a professional racer.

How can we change this?

It starts with sim racing. Millions compete, and we know, firsthand, sim racing skills transfer to the real race cars on real racetracks. This is why we partnered with game publishers, offering esports competitions across many sim racing games, enabling us to identify prodigies that may otherwise go undiscovered. These sim racers, many of whom will prove they can be the world's best in real-life (IRL) racers, will have the opportunity to earn one of many Prodigy Passes<sup>TM</sup> – the golden tickets of motorsports - to then compete in real race cars at Prodigy Week<sup>TM</sup>.

Prodigy Week, part 1, will be held at Atlanta Motorsports Park, one hour drive north of Atlanta, Georgia, October 30 – November 1, with the plan for the Pass winners to compete in Radical SR1s, and briefly in the fitness center, skid pad, autocross course, and sims. Focus is the Radical SR1. After this three-day event at the racetrack, Racing Prodigy plans to add more Prodigy Passes leading to Prodigy Week, part 2, in April 2024, also at Atlanta Motorsports Park.

The plan is then to draft racers from Prodigy Week part 1 and 2 at our first Prodigy Draft<sup>™</sup> to fill a grid and the first racing series comprised of those who earned their way in. One cannot buy a drive in this series. We anticipate significant prize money for this professional series, with the goal of paying contracts to each driver, just like other professional sports leagues. And for those who excel on track within our IRL series, Racing Prodigy's goal is to have them move up to a second tier of real racing series the following year, which would also be operated and controlled by Racing Prodigy. The end game is to have three levels of real racing, completing our e2Real<sup>™</sup> league. For those with the skill, we want them to be able to make a career with us and not have to hunt for their own sponsors to stay in the sport.

This is why we have created the Prodigy Racing League - the world's first e2Real sports league. This league will be the first in motorsports with a real-world ladder, open to all, regardless of socioeconomic background.

For us to execute our plans, we will need interest and support from the sim racing community and participation via esports entries. We will provide both free-to-enter and pay-to-enter competitions (est. \$9 USD) to help fund the league. We have secured our first partners - Asetek SimSports®, SIM-LAB, and GRID Engineering - who share our passion to provide opportunities to those deserving and unlock the potential of motorsports. We may seek up to six team owners early in our league creation to partner with us, aiding us in offering these opportunities. We are launching an open coaching marketplace on RacingProdigy.com to generate more support for the racers and revenue to fund the league. We are not handpicking sim racers to be able to offer their one-on-one coaching services, group coaching, data packs, track maps and more; we are creating an open marketplace and ecosystem that allows those with the skill and effort to participate and to flourish. With these efforts and more, we work to greatly expand the sport we love.

The only way we accomplish this is together.



## **ESPORTS COMPETITION INFORMATION**

#### **Eligibility**

- No purchase necessary to participate.
- To be eligible, you must be:
  - An iRacing and Racing Prodigy member in good standing to compete in the competition.
  - At least 13 years old by the final day of the time attack to compete and can provide legal proof.
- You are **ineligible** to compete in a Racing Prodigy competition if you:
  - Are currently a legal resident in North Korea, Cuba, Iran, Syria, Myanmar, Crimea, Sudan, or Alaska.
  - $\circ$  Under 13 years old by the end of the Time Attack portion of the competition.
- You are **ineligible** to win a Prodigy Pass if you have any professional racing experience in real life within sports car, stock car, or open wheel racing series such as, but not limited to: SRO, IMSA, IndyCar, Formula One, Formula 2, Formula 3, Indy Lights, Pro Mazda, USF2000, NASCAR Cup Series, Xfinity Series, NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series, and ARCA Menards Series. Exceptions are any sim-to-real scholarship winners (e.g., Nissan PlayStation GT Academy, World's Fastest Gamer) who have not competed in at least six (6) professional races dating back to January 1, 2022.

#### To compete in the Radical SR1 race car at Atlanta Motorsports Park October 30 – November 1, you must:

- Be no taller than 6'3" in height nor weigh more than 230 pounds (~104kg) without driver gear, and be physically able to pilot the race car without modifications to the race car.
- Either have a valid, unrestricted driver license or a valid racing license from an accredited racing sanctioning body such as National Auto Sport Association, Sports Car Club of America, and others.
- To verify whether your driver or race license would be accepted prior to participating in a Racing Prodigy competition, please email <u>Support@RacingProdigy.com</u> with your information.
- If you do not possess one, Racing Prodigy will work with you in earnest to obtain one, if reasonable.

Please submit an inquiry to <u>Support@RacingProdigy.com</u>, if you have any questions, at least 48 hours prior to competing in a Prodigy Racing League competition.

#### How to Enter

- You must register on <u>RacingProdigy.com</u> prior to the end of Time Attacks and prior to setting laps.
- Go to iRacing.com to compete.

Note: Only one entry is allowed per person and per Account.



#### Competition Structure, Process, and Timeline

- Dates & Times of the Time Attack (stage 1 of 3 of the competition):
  - Time Attack begins Monday, June 19, 2023, at 20:00 (or 8:00 pm) Eastern Time (12:00 am GMT)
  - Time Attack ends Sunday, June 25, 2023, at 19:59 (or 7:59 pm) Eastern Time (11:59 pm GMT)
- Advancing to the next stage: The top 40 eligible racers, based on the single fastest lap times during the Time Attacks, will earn their opportunity to compete in one of two semi-final races, split into two race groups of 20 drivers.
- Dates and Times of Semi-final Races (stage 2 of 3):
  - Semi-final race #1 broadcast starts 13:00 (or 1:00 pm) Eastern Time (5:00 pm GMT) on Saturday, July 1, 2023, with the race running 25 minutes in length.
  - Semi-final race #2 starts shortly after the first semi-final, with the race running 25 minutes in length.
- Advancing to the next stage: The top 10 eligible racers, based on the official race standings of the finishing order from the semi-finals, will be eligible to compete in the final race for the first Prodigy Pass the golden ticket of motorsports.
- Dates and Times of the Final Race (stage 3 of 3):
  - The final race broadcast starts at 13:00 (or 1:00 pm) Eastern Time (5:00 pm GMT) on Sunday, July 2, 2023, running 25 minutes in length.
- **Race car**: All three stages of the competition will take place using one fixed car setup for Toyota GR86 Cup car - the same that iRacing.com will use for its Official Race Series, Season 2, operating at the same time as this competition. For the semi-finals and final, fast repair will be disabled.
- **Racetrack**: All three stages of the competition will take place on Circuit Zolder.
- The maximum incidents allowed for the semi-finals and final are 17x.

#### Time Attack Details

- All drivers will be driving on the same track conditions, which will not change throughout the session.
- There will be no Dynamic Track System.
- Tire wear will be set off.
- Fuel will not be consumed.
- Tire temperature will not be disabled, which means the tires will heat up throughout the session.

#### Semi-finals and Final Race Day Details

- Every race event will include a warm-up, qualifying, and race session.
- Warm-up will be 30-45 minutes and should be used for practice only. If caught intentionally causing crashes, penalties will be issued (see below for penalties).
- Qualifying will be two (2) flying laps (excludes in and out laps), or eight (8) minutes long, to set race grid.
- Shortly following the qualifying session will be the race.
- The races will be rolling starts.
- Pit stops are not required.
- Liveries: All cars who compete in the semi-finals and final will be required to use the Racing Prodigy livery. (There are no requirements for the Time Attack, but we request, and would appreciate, using the assigned livery for social media purposes to further support building the e2Real motorsports league.)



- Upon completing registration to compete, Racing Prodigy will email instructions on how to download the assigned livery.
- Drivers in the semi-finals or final who do not use the livery will be disqualified.

#### Additional Rules and Requirements During Stages 2 and 3 of the Competition (Racing)

Drivers must use a **web camera** with the driver operating the wheel clearly in view during all semi-finals and final races. Drivers are required to provide a native 1080p 16:9 video feed of their point-of-view/POV (i.e. an exact duplicate of what he or she sees on his or her gaming monitor) at all times during warm-ups, qualifying, the semi-finals, and the final races. An output which has visible black bars (i.e. "letterbox" or "pillar box"), or is squeezed/cropped (i.e. reformatting a different aspect ratio into a 16:9 format), is not permitted.

Drivers are required to use a **broadband internet connection** (which is recommended to be wired as opposed to Wi-Fi) with a minimum stable upload speed of 8mb/s and a ping of no more than 200ms to a London server using the Speed Test website (found at http://www.speedtest.net) ("Internet Speed Test Results"). The Internet Speed Test Results must be obtained on the same computer and using the same internet connection as the Driver shall use to participate in the semi-finals or final races. Drivers may be required to provide evidence of their Drivers' internet speeds at any time.

**Each Driver is responsible for ensuring that they have the necessary** equipment (including hardware and software) to effectively participate in the semi-finals and finals. As is the provision, setup, maintenance, configuration, and infrastructure required by such a Racing Station plus any cost(s) associated with meeting such obligations.

**Participants may not use any equipment or aids** (digital or otherwise) during Sessions which are not considered by Racing Prodigy to be essential in meeting the obligations of the Racing Prodigy Competition Rules or <u>Racing Prodigy Sporting Code</u>, except for pillows or other such devices used to solely aid Driver comfort or devices which have been expressly authorized by Officials.

Any **branding** visible on Driver equipment, clothing or otherwise must be visible in warms up and qualifying prior to the race so Racing Prodigy officials may review in the event it is considered inappropriate/ or offensive. We must keep in mind that our spectator sport is family friendly. If there is any question of whether the dress will be appropriate, please email your inquiry to <u>Support@RacingProdigy.com</u> 48 hours prior to the livestream.

Racing Prodigy accepts no responsibility for any damage, wear or otherwise caused to Racing Stations by taking part in the Competition shall have no course of action in such circumstances.



## THE PRIZES AND OPPORUTNITIES FOR REAL-WORLD RACING

#### Prodigy Passes to Prodigy Week. Two Paths.

Recipients of a Prodigy Pass will be eligible to compete at Prodigy Week, part 1, planned for Atlanta Motorsports Park in a Radical SR1, October 30 – November 1, 2023.

The official winner of the final sim race on Sunday, July 2, will be awarded the first Prodigy Pass, which includes free air travel to and from Atlanta Hartsfield International Airport, transport and lodging in Georgia, United States.

In addition to winning a PRL esports competition, Racing Prodigy members (RPMs) who compete in the Time Attack have an additional opportunity to earn a Prodigy Pass. How it works:

- RPMs who finish among the top 500 of a PRL esports competition are eligible. Racing Prodigy will email the RPMs who are eligible using the email address on file with Racing Prodigy.
- Those eligible may record responses to questions to submit a five-minute (max) video, as well as respond in writing to a questionnaire (questions will be announced on RacingProdigy.com and on Racing Prodigy social channels in the near future). The RPM submissions (video and questionnaire) are due on the 7<sup>th</sup> of the month following the conclusion of the esports competition. For this PRL iRacing GR86 Cup Open Challenge competition that begins June 19 and concludes July 2 (Eastern Time), responses are due the 7<sup>th</sup> of the following month (i.e. August 7).
- Racing Prodigy will review the submissions to select up to 10 finalists for each PRL esports competition. (If a given month had three tournaments conclude, Racing Prodigy would select up to 30 finalists; if there were two competitions that concluded in a given month, Racing Prodigy would select up to 20 finalists for the committee to select from, crowning one winner.)
- Racing Prodigy will submit these videos to the "Prodigy Search Committee" to select one (1) recipient of a Prodigy Pass, announced on Racing Prodigy's Twitch channel by end of the month (e.g., August). <u>https://www.twitch.tv/racingprodigy</u>

This is a collective effort to better ensure a prodigy may not slip by simply by not yet being the fastest in these sim racing competitions and further open motorsports.

#### **Partner Prizes\***

1<sup>st</sup> place receives a Prodigy Pass (this is not a partner prize).

2<sup>nd</sup> place receives: One (1) Asetek SimSports® <u>Invicta<sup>TM</sup> Direct Drive Wheelbase 27Nm</u>

3<sup>rd</sup> place receives: One (1) SIM-LAB P1-X Sim Racing Cockpit

One random winner from all eligible tournament participants will receive one (1) pair of Invicta<sup>™</sup> Sim Racing Boots.

All eligible tournament participants will receive a Racing Prodigy commemorative Toyota GR86 Cup iRacing livery.

(\*) – To be eligible for prizes, one must be an RPM (free or premium level) in good standing. All prize related expenses (excluding the airfare, and the lodging and transport while in Georgia that Racing Prodigy, Inc. directly pays on behalf of the Prodigy Pass recipients) including, without limitation to, all federal, state, and/or local taxes shall be the sole responsibility of the Prodigy Pass winner. No substitution of prize or transfer/assignment of prize to others or request for the cash equivalent by winners is permitted.



## PENALTY SYSTEM

#### **Penalties on and off-track**

Penalties may be assessed post-race. Racers who believe a penalty should be assessed have the right to protest; race stewards will not proactively assess on-track issues without a driver submitting an official protest in a timely manner (see Protests Section below).

#### Our penalty system is as follows:

| Warning:           | Given for minor incidents, such as a small collision or going off track without gaining an advantage. No penalty will be issued, but drivers will be notified that their behavior is being monitored.                     |
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| 5-second penalty:  | Given for more serious incidents, such as causing a collision or exceeding track limits to gain an advantage.<br>A 5-second penalty will be added to the offending driver's race time.                                    |
| 10-second penalty: | Given for significant incidents, such as causing a multi-car collision or repeatedly exceeding track limits to gain an advantage. A 10-second penalty will be added to the offending driver's race time.                  |
| 20-second penalty: | Given for severe incidents, such as deliberately causing a collision or ignoring multiple warnings for unsportsmanlike behavior. A 20-second penalty will be added to the offending driver's race time.                   |
| Disculation        | Given for the most serious incidents, such as cheating or exploiting the game, or repeatedly ignoring warnings<br>and penalties. The driver will be removed from the race and will not be eligible to receive any prizes. |

#### In addition:

- *On- or off-track behavior*: It is important that the drivers keep their wits about them. We do not support unsportsmanlike conduct; anyone who does anything that we deem unjust will be penalized.
- *In-game penalties:* Penalties given to a driver via the game should be respected but are able to be protested just like any other penalty.

## PROTESTS

#### **Protest Form**

If a driver feels as though he or she has been wrongfully penalized, or another driver should be penalized, they must fill out the Racing Prodigy official protest form found on RacingProdigy.com <u>here</u> within two (2) hours after the end of the race.

The protest form requires the onboard video from the drivers involved, cockpit camera with the steering and pedal inputs visible, and chase camera with the same requirements.



## **CHEATING & EXPLOITS**

#### Cheating

Cheating will not be condoned, no matter the severity, under any circumstance. Any driver who is caught cheating will be disqualified immediately from the competition and will be indefinitely banned or suspended from all Racing Prodigy activities and his or her Racing Prodigy membership revoked.

Examples of cheating include, but are not limited to, add-ons outside of the game that provide an advantage, managing to clear a penalty before the start/finish line, and any other advantage that could be gained outside of the simulator.

#### **Exploits**

Exploiting the game, just like cheating, is not tolerated and any driver caught doing so will be disqualified from the competition and will be indefinitely banned or suspended from all Racing Prodigy activities with their Racing Prodigy membership revoked.

An example of exploits includes purposely removing the braking boards/markers on track during a race.

## OTHER

In the event of any discrepancy or inconsistency between the terms and conditions of these English Rules and disclosures or other statements contained in any Competition-related materials, including, but not limited to any other official Racing Prodigy versions (in other languages) of these Rules and/or point of sale, television, print or online advertising, the terms and conditions of these English Rules shall prevail, govern and control to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law.

Any attempt or suspected attempt to enter this Competition in a fashion not authorized by these rules shall be deemed to be tampering and is void. Entries that do not conform with, or satisfy any, or all, of these Competition rules, as determined in the Racing Prodigy's absolute discretion, will be judged invalid and disqualified.

Although this Competition may be communicated, promoted, or administered by means of any third-party social media or social networking service or site (each, a "Third-Party Service"), by participating in this Competition, you completely release any Third-Party Service of all liability in relation to any injury, damage or loss that may occur, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, from your participation.

By entering this Competition, entrants agree to accept and be bound by the Racing Prodigy Competition Rules.