

## 2026 British Grand Prix - Saturday

**Silverstone, 4 July 2026** – Audi Revolut F1 Team heads into Sunday's British Grand Prix with encouraging signs after a competitive Saturday at Silverstone. Despite a challenging Sprint in which both Nico Hulkenberg and Gabriel Bortoleto lost ground at the start, the team demonstrated strong race pace throughout the 17-lap contest. In Qualifying, Gabriel recovered well from an early gearbox issue to secure P11, while Nico will line up P13. With the midfield margins remaining exceptionally tight, Audi Revolut F1 Team will aim to convert its promising performance to fight for points on race day.

**Allan McNish, Racing Director:** "Overall, there are plenty of positives to take from today. In the Sprint, our race pace was strong and in line with what we've shown at recent events, but poor starts on both cars compromised our race and left us having to recover the positions we lost off the line. That's an area we'll be analysing carefully, because clean starts will be crucial tomorrow.

"In Qualifying, the team did a great job to recover from the gearbox issue on Gabriel's car, allowing him to make the most of a single run in Q1 before narrowly missing out on Q3 by just three hundredths of a second. Nico's pace was there throughout, but after having one lap deleted for track limits, we weren't able to put everything together on the final run. The underlying pace has been encouraging so far and if we can execute a clean race from the start, we're in a good position to fight further up the order."

**Nico Hulkenberg (Car 27):**  
**Sprint: 14<sup>th</sup>**

Fastest Lap: 1:33.497 (Lap 17)  
Strategy: Start (Medium Used)

Q1: 1:29.539 (9 laps)  
**Q2: 13<sup>th</sup> / 1:30.076 (6 laps)**

"It wasn't the qualifying we were aiming for and I believe there was more potential than P13 today. I didn't quite put the laps together in Q2, and on the final run I lost the tow when the car ahead pitted, which cost a bit of time on the straights.

"Tomorrow is another opportunity, and if we can execute a clean race, there's still every chance to move forward."

**Gabriel Bortoleto (Car 5):**

**Sprint: 13<sup>th</sup>**

Fastest Lap: 1:33.506 (Lap 17)

Strategy: Start (Medium Used)

Q1: 1:30.269 (4 laps)

**Q2: 11<sup>th</sup>/1:29.461 (6 laps)**

"First, I want to start by thanking the team for their hard work. We suffered a small gearbox issue at the beginning of Q1, but they did a great job getting the car back together and giving me the chance to get back out on track, set a lap and make it through. In Q2, I made a mistake in Turn 6 which cost me quite a bit of time, and that was it for me - still, I think Q3 could have been possible today, and I am quite satisfied with our final position.

"The Sprint itself was pretty uneventful earlier today. I struggled a bit with the start, so that's something we'll keep working on. Now, the focus shifts to tomorrow's race, where hopefully we can put everything together and put up a fight for the top ten."

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About Audi Revolut F1 Team

Audi Revolut F1 Team is the official factory team of Audi, as the brand enters the FIA Formula 1 World Championship for the first time in 2026. This project, in which Audi will create its own hybrid drive system ('power unit') developed in Germany, represents the ultimate expression of the manufacturer's 'Vorsprung durch Technik' philosophy and embodies a long-term commitment to compete at the pinnacle of motorsport with the clear objective of challenging for world championships by 2030. Audi Revolut F1 Team is based in three locations: the power unit is developed by Audi Formula Racing GmbH at the Audi Competence Center Motorsport in Neuburg, Germany; the chassis is engineered and race operations are managed from the state-of-the-art facilities of Audi Motorsport AG in Hinwil, Switzerland; while the Audi Motorsport Technology Centre UK in Bicester, United Kingdom, provides a foothold in the heart of 'Motorsport Valley', with direct access to top F1 talent and key strategic partners. This integrated structure provides complete control over the project, embedding a culture of precision, innovation, and relentless performance. Audi's entry is strategically timed to coincide with new Formula 1 regulations focused on increased electrification, as the electric share of the hybrid drive is raised to almost 50%, and the introduction of 100% sustainable fuels. The entry into Formula 1, one of the most important platforms in the world, serves as a high-tech catalyst for the entire Audi brand, acting as a global stage to demonstrate technological leadership and connect with new, diverse audiences by creating cultural impact that resonates far beyond the race track.

