

# Qatar set for tense F1 title showdown

After both McLaren drivers, *Lando Norris* and *Oscar Piastri*, were disqualified in Las Vegas, *Max Verstappen* took victory – only 24 points separate the three rivals ahead of the penultimate race of the season

## CLOSEST F1 TITLE BATTLES

Total of **58pts** available in Qatar and Abu Dhabi.  
Top 7 finish in sprint race and Grand Prix win  
will guarantee Norris title with one race to spare

**Drivers' standings: (Points)**

**0.5pts** 1984 **Niki Lauda** bt Alain Prost

**1pt** 1958 **Mike Hawthorn** bt Stirling Moss

1961 **Phil Hill** bt Wolfgang von Trips

1964 **John Surtees** bt Graham Hill

1976 **James Hunt** bt Niki Lauda

1981 **Nelson Piquet** bt Carlos Reutemann

1994 **M. Schumacher** bt D. Hill

2007 **Kimi Raikkonen** bt Lewis Hamilton

2008 **Lewis Hamilton** bt Felipe Massa

**2pt** 1983 **Nelson Piquet** bt Alain Prost

1986 **Alain Prost** bt Nigel Mansell

1999 **Mika Hakkinen** bt Eddie Irvine

2003 **Michael Schumacher** bt Kimi Raikkonen



**Norris 390**



**Verstappen 366**



**Piastri 366**



## BEHIND THE WHEEL

**Qatar 2024 result: Top 6 places**

**1** **Max Verstappen** *Red Bull*

**2** **Charles Leclerc** *Ferrari*

**3** **Oscar Piastri** *McLaren*

**4** **George Russell** *Mercedes*

**5** **Pierre Gasly** *Alpine*

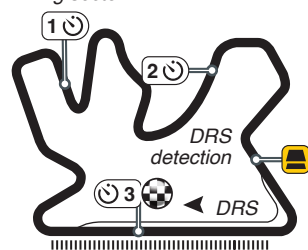
**6** **Carlos Sainz** *Ferrari*

**Sprint race winner: Oscar Piastri**

**23 Nov 30: Qatar**

## LOSAIL INTERNATIONAL CIRCUIT

Timing sector



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Distance: **57 laps – 308.611km**