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Facts about the DTM finale at Hockenheim

- **Three pole positions for Audi at the finale since 2003**
- **Last DTM race for Christian Abt**
- **Audi unbeaten in qualifying at the last four races**

The 2007 season finale is held at Hockenheim this coming weekend. Listed below are several interesting facts about the tenth race of the season.

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Did you know that...

... Audi celebrated a **one-two** with **Mattias Ekström** and **Martin Tomczyk** at Hockenheim in April, and therefore won for the first time at the Baden circuit since Laurent Aiello won in the Abt-Audi TT-R in April 2002?

... Audi is unbeaten in DTM qualifying during the entire second-half of the year and 2007 season since Mattias Ekström took **pole position** at Mugello?

... the brand from Ingolstadt claimed its **36th pole position** in the DTM last time out at Barcelona?

... Audi has started from **pole position three times** in the last four years at the finale at Hockenheim?

... **Christian Abt** contests his **84th and final DTM race**, and, in addition to Bernd Schneider, is only one of two drivers to have competed in every DTM season since 2000?

... since the start of the new DTM in the 2000 season, the **championship will be decided** for only the third time at the Hockenheim finale? A newly crowned champion has already appeared at the finale five times.

... for the first time **three drivers representing two brands** fight for the title at the last race of the season? Only in 2005 did two brands previously fight for the title, each, however, represented by only one driver.

... since the year 2000 Hockenheim has played host to the DTM on **15 occasions** and that **17 individual races** have been held since then? This is the highest number on a single track in the new DTM.

... the current **Grand Prix circuit** at Hockenheim has been used since October 2002?

... since 1984 an incredible **60 DTM races** have been held at Hockenheim, and as result Hockenheim is second in the all-time DTM race list behind the Nürburgring (65 races)?

... a record **149,000 spectators** attended the DTM race weekend at Hockenheim last October and that more than 100,000 fans have visited the finale round every year since 2003?

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