



Press Information

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## Two extreme sports cars, one platform: Mercedes-AMG announces new GT3 and Black Series

- AMG promises the most radical Black Series model to date
- Black Series serves as a homologation model for the next generation of GT3
- Uncompromising vehicles for absolute performance purists

Affalterbach. Mercedes-AMG captured the attention of enthusiasts last year with the CONCEPT AMG GT TRACK SPORT. AMG fans from all over the world wondered what this spectacular concept had to do with a further derivative of the GT family. Now the answer is here: the concept car serves as a technology platform for two exceptional performance models, expanding the current GT family. It forms the basis for the new Mercedes-AMG GT3 and the future Mercedes-AMG GT Black Series.

**"We are developing the most extreme Black Series ever. At the same time, we want to set the next record-breaker in motorsport with the future GT3. The foundation for this is the CONCEPT AMG GT TRACK SPORT – a technology demonstrator that was more than just a concept from the very start. It is our unambiguous commitment to maximum performance, a promise for the racetrack and the road alike. At AMG, we develop vehicles to exceed expectations. And that is exactly what the future Black Series and the new GT3 will do."**

Michael Schiebe, Member of the Board of Management of Mercedes-Benz Group AG, Production, Quality & Supply Chain Management, and Chairman of the Board of Management of Mercedes-AMG GmbH

### **Two vehicles, one promise: uncompromising performance**

With this project, the performance and sports car brand from Affalterbach once again emphasizes its ambition to set new standards in both Customer Racing and on the road.

The road-legal variant of the concept car serves as a homologation model for the GT3 successor. The name "TRACK SPORT" represents the uncompromising track performance of the Mercedes-AMG GT3 and the extreme road-legal performance that has always characterized Black Series models.

Since October 2025, the prototype – camouflaged with yellow and red accents – has undergone extensive dynamic testing on test tracks and race circuits. In addition to the in-house development track in Immendingen, this has included Bilster Berg, Portimão and Montebianco. With the start of the testing phase on the Nürburgring Nordschleife, the next stage of development is now underway.

Also the colors are now clearly defined. In the future, red will represent the Mercedes-AMG GT3 as a central element of the Mercedes-AMG Motorsport color scheme, while yellow will represent the Mercedes-AMG GT Black Series.

### **New Mercedes-AMG GT3: The next generation in Customer Racing**

The Mercedes-AMG GT3 marks the logical evolution of Mercedes-AMG's successful Customer Racing program.

The foundation for the brand's Customer Racing commitment was set in 2010. The first full racing season followed in 2011 with the Mercedes-Benz SLS AMG GT3. This success story has continued with the Mercedes-AMG GT3 from 2016 and the Evo version from 2020.

The decision to develop a successor to the GT3 led to the establishment of Affalterbach Racing GmbH – a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mercedes-AMG – which, together with Mercedes-AMG Motorsport, is responsible for the development and construction of the new vehicle.

The new GT3 is currently in an intensive development phase. The aim is to continue the successful Customer Racing legacy whilst setting new standards in performance, safety and competitiveness.

**"With the unveiling of the concept, we can now officially name the new Mercedes-AMG GT3, with which we aim to continue the success story in Customer Racing for Mercedes-AMG Motorsport. Our goal is to once again present a vehicle that sets the benchmark. We have already gained important insights from the initial tests. We are now entering the next phase of development and will also be testing on race tracks relevant to GT Sport."**

Christoph Sagemüller, Head of Mercedes-AMG Motorsport

### **AMG Black Series: Racing DNA for the road**

Power, endurance and boundless performance – this describes the pinnacle of the Mercedes-AMG portfolio. Since 2006, select models have received the coveted 'Black Series' designation.

AMG's motorsport roots date back to 1967, with the visionary idea of founders Hans Werner Aufrecht and Erhard Melcher to develop cars based on Mercedes vehicles that could meet the performance demands of professional motorsport. The focus was on transferring racing DNA to the road.

A key model in this development was the Mercedes-Benz SLK 55 AMG. With its powerful 355 hp 5.5-liter V8 engine, it demonstrated its impressive performance in Formula 1®, amongst other places, as the official FIA F1® Safety Car. While the model was designed for the road, versions of the SLK 55 developed specifically for an Asian racing series provided the decisive impetus for the subsequent 'Black Series' model range. The project ran internally under the working title "TRACK SPORT" and symbolized the efforts to transfer the uncompromising track focus directly to a road-legal vehicle. This approach ultimately culminated in 2006 in the Mercedes-Benz SLK 55 AMG Black Series – a vehicle that embodied the spirit of motorsport in its purest form and laid the foundation for a tradition of bringing high-performance racing technology to the road.

This unique fusion of racing and road-legal vehicles brings the CONCEPT AMG GT TRACK SPORT into the present day. The history of the Black Series stands for innovation, uncompromising performance and the constant pursuit of the limit. The CONCEPT AMG GT TRACK SPORT is another milestone on this journey, which now culminates in the standalone presentation of the new AMG GT3 and the future AMG GT Black Series – two vehicles that continue the legend and define the future of Mercedes-AMG performance.

Further details on both vehicles will be announced at a later date.

### **Mercedes-Benz Anniversary Year "140 Years of Innovation"**

Since Carl Benz filed the patent for the first automobile 140 years ago and Gottlieb Daimler built his motorized carriage shortly afterwards, Mercedes-Benz has dedicated itself to constantly innovate and to create the world's most desirable cars for customers. This ambition has driven every innovation – from the world's first

automobile in 1886 to today's intelligent and safe electric vehicles, like the all-new GLC and the award-winning all-new CLA. With the new S-Class, the company continues the biggest product launch program in its history. With its passion for performance and pioneering power, excellence and an unwavering commitment to customer service, the brand has consistently shaped the future of mobility. The result goes well beyond engineering achievement – it creates the unmistakable feeling that leads through everything Mercedes-Benz does: Welcome home.

Mercedes-Benz is celebrating 140 years of innovation by driving three new S-Class sedans on a trans-continental journey to 140 locations worldwide. Each place highlights the brand's technology, heritage, pioneering spirit and worldwide presence. Along the way customers, fans and colleagues will get to join in the celebrations - on an epic adventure that will run until October 2026. Follow the "140 Years. 140 Places" drive across six continents on our "[140 years of innovation | Mercedes-Benz Media](#)" special and via the [Mercedes-Benz Community](#).

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