

Project Management Static Event Rules

Introduction

Formula Student encourages students to learn and develop new skills across a broad array of subjects through its various events. Project Management (PM) brings these elements together, recognising that while each area has its own milestones, they all contribute to successful overall project delivery.

Project Management principles and practices are essential components in the end-to-end delivery of any product, from building race cars to developing business operating models.

Following a successful introduction in 2025, the Project Management event returns for 2026 to further support teams in developing structured, effective approaches to delivering their projects. The aim of the event is to provide teams with the opportunity to discuss, present and evidence how they have managed the entirety of their Formula Student entry.

The event continues to focus on encouraging learning, improving project delivery, and ultimately increasing the number of completed cars on track.

The event remains optional and stand-alone from the FS Class, Concept Class and FS-AI categories. Teams entering any of these categories are eligible to participate.

1.1 PM Event Breakdown

- 1.1.1 Registration for the event is detailed in a separate document published on the Formula Student website.
- 1.1.2 Teams must register for the Project Management event by **1st May 2026** via the Formula Student website.
- 1.1.3 The high-level Project Plan submitted with your Design Concept Specification will be used as your baseline plan. There are no other pre-event submissions.
- 1.1.4 Each team will have a 1-hour judging time slot. This time slot will be broken down into:

Time	Description
45 Minutes	Discuss, present and evidence your team's approach to project delivery across the eight assessed components
15 Minutes	Feedback and approach used throughout the project

1.1.5 The components which teams can expect to be questioned on are as follows:

Component	Description
C1	Planning and continual improvement for the whole project
C2	Management approach used throughout the project
C3	Risks and issues management
C4	Team structure
C5	Reflection and succession planning
C6	Project delivery tools for ways of working, stakeholder management, communication etc.
C7	Overcome adversity in project delivery
C8	Innovative or pragmatic solution to project delivery

1.1.6 Teams are responsible for providing supporting evidence for each component. This should be presented using either a laptop/tablet or printed handouts (for example, but not limited to, project plans, team structure, RAID logs, etc.).

1.1.7 For each of the components, teams should consider relevant aspects for that component, exploring project delivery from start to finish, objectives, risks/issues encountered, and mitigations implemented.

1.1.8 In one or more of the components, teams may be asked to give examples of their decision making and approach to Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) considerations.

1.1.9 Feedback provided will be constructive and should support you in understanding where you can improve your project delivery in the following year.

1.2 PM Event Scoring

1.2.1 Teams will be scored on each component, and marks will be added up to provide an overall total.

1.2.2 Marks will be awarded for how well teams answer the components and how well evidenced these are.

1.2.3 The quality of the responses will be judged and will impact the score received for each component.

- 1.2.4 Marks awarded for the PM Event **do not** contribute to the overall Formula Student competition score.
- 1.2.5 The team with the highest number of points will be recognised as the winner of the event.
- 1.2.6 It is important to note that this event does not assess whether your project was successful, but how effectively it was managed.