



press release

GT3.nl offers Porsche convenient GT4 conversion kit

Eindhoven, 9 January 2009. Porsche will be one of the eye-catchers of the new Dutch GT4 Championship, which will have its inaugural season in 2009, kicking off during the Easter races at Circuit Park Zandvoort on 11 and 13 April. GT3.nl offers Porsche drivers an ideal opportunity to convert the Porsche 911 GT3 street car into GT4 specification with the aid of the certificated kit. "It is financially very rewarding", says Paul van Splunteren, the racing owner of Porsche Centrum Eindhoven sports department.

Unlike other tuners, who will only offer complete cars, the GT4 version of the Porsche 911 GT3 will be available in conversion kit form. This provides a huge advantage: the costs for owning a competitive GT4 car can be reduced considerably, with the car retaining an attractive resale value.

The following steps should be taken to acquire a homologated GT4 car:

- A potential customer should select a (used) street 997 GT3 Porsche, preferably a club sport version.
- The next step is to submit a request with GT3.nl for a GT4 certificated kit to convert the car into GT4 specification. The customer will combine the serial number of the vehicle, which will be matched and logged by GT3.nl and SRO, with the conversion kit number. The combined numbers will then ensure homologation for the GT4 contender..
- The customer can either convert the car himself or have it converted. The car will only meet the homologation requirements, if all changes have been made in accordance with the regulations.
- As the number of adaptations has been small, the car can always be converted back to a normal street car, which leads to only limited depreciation risks.

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Basic conversion kit

The basic conversion kit has been developed in co-operation with project partners Moton and BBS and consists, among other items, of different suspension parts and steering arms to make race set-ups possible, Moton shock absorbers and springs which have been developed for the 997 GT3, reinforced mountings for the engine and gearbox linkage, an approved roll bar, and two sets of special BBS rims.

Opportunities

This kit will cost approximately € 19.500,- (ex VAT). At the current market prices for used 997 GT3 cars, the costs of building a basic Porsche 997 GT4 racing car would not exceed € 100.000,-.

Extra options

GT3.nl will also offer customers extra conversion options which are also homologated or are considered free from GT4 regulations. Such options include a louder exhaust for European GT4 races, a different rear stabilizer bar or a complete data logging system. The exact content of both the basic kit and possible options will be revealed before the end of January.

More information

Those interested in GT3 should get in touch with Paul van Splunteren by calling 088-8911911 or sending an email to info@gt3.nl. GT3.nl can also assist in successful search for a suitable GT3 road car for conversion or assist in the actual conversion of the car.