

Michael Christensen (DK)

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Michael Christensen, Porsche works driver, Le Mans 24H, 2016

Born: 28 August 1990

Where: Greve, Denmark

Lives: Vienna, Austria

Marital status: Single

Height/Weight: 1.81 m/75 kg

Hobbies: Football, fitness, Play Station

In the autumn of 2011, a dream came true for Michael Christensen. The Dane pitted himself against many other talented young hopefuls from around the world at a gruelling selection process and was accepted into the youth development programme of Porsche AG as a Porsche Junior. As an enthusiastic hobby footballer, he was accustomed to taking a pass and turning it into a goal, and that is exactly what he did in the 2012 Porsche Carrera Cup

Deutschland. With consistently good performances and a win at Hockenheim, the 'FIA Institute Academy Driver of the Year' grabbed his chance and was promoted into the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup. In 2013 he promptly won the rookie classification and the race at the Nürburgring. This earned him a contract as a Porsche works driver. "I want to repay Porsche for their trust in me by achieving great results," he said, and followed this with a win at the 12 Hours of Sebring. Scoring three victories in the FIA World Endurance Cup of the WEC, he helped his teammate Richard Lietz win the 2015 title. Because he had to miss the Spa race due to his US commitments, Christensen occupied third place.

Michael Christensen contests the Sports Car World Endurance Championship (GTE Pro class), which includes the 24 Hours of Le Mans, for the Dempsey Proton Racing team with the Porsche 911 RSR as well as the long distance races of the IMSA Sports Car Championship for Porsche North America. At the Nürburgring 24-hour race he drives a 911 GT3 R for the Porsche Manthey team.

Career

Year	Details
2017	Porsche works driver
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2015	Porsche works driver; 3rd FIA World Endurance Cup for GT Drivers in the WEC; 1st WEC Nürburgring (GTE-Pro); 1st WEC Austin (GTE-Pro); 2nd WEC Silverstone (GTE-Pro); 3rd TUSC Laguna Seca (GTLM)

2014	Porsche works driver; 1 st Sebring 12 Hours (GTLM); Winner North American Endurance Championship (GTLM); 6th Tudor United Sports Car Championship 2nd Petit Le Mans (GTLM); 3rd Tudor United Sports Car Championship in Indianapolis (GTLM); 3rd Tudor United Sports Car Championship in Austin (GTLM)
2013	Porsche Junior; 1 st Nürburgring (Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup); Winner rookie classification Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup; 3rd Silverstone, Spa (Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup); 6th Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup (overall)
2012	Porsche Junior; FIA Institute Academy Driver of the Year; 1st Hockenheim (Carrera Cup Deutschland); 3rd Lausitzring (Carrera Cup Deutschland)
2011	11th GP3 Series, 2 podiums; 2nd in Istanbul and Budapest (GP3 Series); ADAC GT Masters
2010	GP3 Series
2009	4th Formula BMW Europe, 7 wins; Danish "Sportsman of the Year in Motorsports"
2008	Winner Formula BMW Europe Rookies Cup; 6th Formula BMW Europe, 5 podiums 2nd Formula BMW in Macau
2007	German Kart Champion KFI; Danish Kart Champion KFI; 3rd European Kart Championship
2006	2nd Kart World Championship Formula A; German Kart Champion Formula A; 1st Kart Grand Prix Macau



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2005 European Kart Champion ICAJ; Scandinavian Kart Champion ICAJ; Danish
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