



HORSE TECHNOLOGIES ENGINES TO POWER 2026 CATERHAM ACADEMY CARS

- Horse Technologies to supply engines for the 2026 Caterham Academy, the UK's leading amateur racing championship
- 2026 Caterham Academy cars to use high-performance 1.3-litre, 4-cylinder 'HR13' engine
- Horse Technologies is a division of Horse Powertrain, a global leader in hybrid and combustion powertrain solutions across 17 plants and 5 R&D centres.

Horse Technologies, a division of Horse Powertrain and a leader in innovative and low-emission powertrain systems, has signed an agreement to supply engines for the 2026 Caterham Academy series.

The 1.3-litre, 4-cylinder 'HR13' turbo engine will power vehicles competing in its 2026 Academy Championship. Featuring direct injection technology, the high-performance gasoline engine with bespoke tuning will be able to deliver peak power of 130bhp (132PS) and a peak torque of 176Nm at 5,150rpm.

HR13 utilises a delta-shaped cylinder head to save mass and space, lower the centre of gravity, and improve thermal management of the engine. The exhaust manifolds are directly cast into the head for faster turbo response and exceptional low speed torque delivery.

The Caterham Academy is a unique championship exclusively for novice drivers. Established in 1995, its aim is to introduce anyone to the world of motorsport and enable them to realise their dream of becoming a racing driver. Today, the series is considered one of Britain's most successful and over 1,400 drivers have competed in it.

Matias Giannini, Chief Executive Officer of Horse Powertrain, said: "It's a privilege for us to supply our HR13 engine for the 2026 Caterham Academy Championship. Caterham is an iconic brand in the automotive and racing world, with a rich history and this is a unique opportunity to collaborate in their mission to discover the next generation of racing talent in the 2026 Academy series."

Patrice Haettel, Chief Executive Officer of Horse Technologies, said: "We are very proud to see our technology achieve this new milestone. This collaboration with Caterham is a world-first application of the Horse Technologies HR13 engine to the world of racing, and reflects the performance, reliability, and expertise that drive everything we do."

Bob Laishley, Chief Executive Officer of Caterham said: "The Caterham Academy has successfully introduced more than 1,400 rookie racing drivers to motorsport in the UK over the last 30 years. We're very pleased to confirm our new partnership with Horse Technologies and look forward to working with their team on the introduction of this new turbo engine to our competitive rookie series from next season."

The HR13 is produced at Horse Technologies' Valladolid Motores plant in Spain.

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About Horse Powertrain

Horse Powertrain consists of two divisions, Aurobay Technologies and Horse Technologies. It is a world leader in hybrid and combustion powertrain solutions. Headquartered in London, UK, the company employs 19,000 people globally across 17 plants and five R&D centres. Horse Powertrain's three shareholders are Renault Group (45%), Geely (45%), and Aramco (10%).

About Horse Technologies

Horse Technologies is a global supplier of innovative powertrain solutions. It believes that there is no one-size-fits-all solution to sustainable mobility and so is investing in technologies which will support the automotive industry, and other sectors requiring power generation, in their transition to a sustainable future. With decades of industrial know-how, HORSE develops, produces and supplies highly efficient full-hybrid, plug-in hybrid and internal combustion powertrains, and cutting-edge technologies (engines, gearboxes, full-hybrid and plug-in hybrid systems, and batteries).

Horse Technologies employs over 9,000 people in seven countries, it is headquartered in Madrid, Spain and has eight manufacturing plants and three R&D centres around the world (Argentina, in Córdoba; Brazil in Curitiba; Chile in Los Andes; Portugal in Aveiro; Romania in Bucharest, Mioveni and Titu; Spain in Seville and Valladolid, and Türkiye in Bursa in partnership with Oyak).

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About Caterham

Caterham (Caterham Cars Ltd) has produced lightweight, two-seater sports cars since 1973 when Graham Nearn acquired the tooling, designs and exclusive rights to the Seven from Lotus founder Colin Chapman.

In homage to Chapman, Caterham's philosophy today continues to put the driving experience and fun at the heart of everything it does. It is committed to delivering a personalised experience for every customer and offers a wide range of options to help buyers create a car that perfectly suits their tastes and driving preferences, both for the road and the track.

The British manufacturer produces its unique cars exclusively from within the UK. Today, Caterham is headquartered in Dartford, Kent, where it has built cars in both assembled and kit-build form since 1987. As of 2023, Caterham is represented by over 30 official retailers across 15 key markets globally.

The current Caterham UK line-up consists of the Seven Academy Car, Seven 170, Super Seven 600, Super Seven 2000, Seven 360, Seven 420, Seven 420 Cup and Seven 620. The current European range consists of the Seven 170, Super Seven 600, Super Seven 2000, Seven 340, the now Seven 485 Final Edition and Seven 485 CSR Final Edition. Additional models are available for international markets.

The brand also operates a successful motorsport division consisting of five UK racing series aimed at all levels of driver experience. There are also multiple Caterham racing championships in France and Portugal. Since 1995, the Caterham Academy – the entry-level racing series – has seen more than 1,300 novice drivers become fully bonified racing drivers.

Caterham is owned by Japanese retail group VT Holdings, which has served as a Caterham importer since 2009. VT Holdings is one of Japan's largest retailer groups.