

Taddy's the 2012 FIM SuperEnduro champ

KTM Enduro Factory Team rider Taddy Blazusiak has brought an incredible 15 months of racing to a victorious close by clinching the 2012 FIM SuperEnduro World Championship. Competing inside the Palau Sant Jordi stadium in Barcelona, Spain Blazusiak again stamped his authority on the European indoor enduro scene, winning two of the night's three SuperEnduro finals. Also finishing third in the second race it ensured Blazusiak remained the overall winner – something he's achieved at each round of the 2012 SuperEnduro series.

Returning from the lengthy break between rounds two and three, Blazusiak arrived in Barcelona in confident mood. Entering the night's racing with a healthy 39-point advantage over his closest competitor, he knew that by winning the opening race he would secure the world title. Winning the night's qualification event Taddy was able to get that all-important first choice pick of the start for the opening SuperEnduro final. Grabbing the holeshot he immediately began to open up a sizeable lead until the race was red flagged due to a crash behind him. Facing the restart, Blazusiak again was fastest out of the gate and this time rode to a comfortable race win to clinch the world title.

With the start order reversed for the second SuperEnduro final of the evening Taddy had to start on the second row. Unable to slice a path through the field of riders ahead of him like he had done in both Italy and Poland, Taddy's winning streak was finally brought to an end as he finished the race in third.

Reverting back to the original starting order of the final race, Taddy again claimed the holeshot and once again secured another commanding victory. While having already wrapped up the world championship during the opening race of the night, winning the final race of the series ensured Blazusiak claimed the overall win in Spain to remain undefeated in the 2012 FIM SuperEnduro World Championship.

Taddy Blazusiak: "Winning the 2012 SuperEnduro World Championship has capped off an incredible 15 months of racing for me. Tonight I knew that if I could win the first SuperEnduro final then that would secure the championship. I focused really hard on the start and knew that getting the holeshot would be crucial in winning the race. Thankfully, I did just that and I tried to race as hard as I could on a clear track to open up an advantage. I managed to open up a small lead and avoid any trouble to win the race and the championship. The team works so hard to ensure that I have the perfect setup to do my job and I'm delighted to reward them with this championship and also the 2011 AMA EnduroCross title. Now I'll take a break for a few weeks and have some fun before getting ready for AMA Endurocross season that begins in May.

2012 FIM SuperEnduro World Championship – Final standings

1. Taddy Blazusiak (KTM) 174 points; 2. Jonny Walker (KTM) 120; 3. Joakim Ljunggren (Husaberg) 108; 4. Alex Salvini (Husqvarna) 94; 5. Ivan Cervantes (Gas Gas) 89

