

# 2020 Civic Type R vs. 2020 Hyundai Veloster N




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|                       | Civic Type R Touring   | Veloster N<br>(Standard & Performance Package)   |
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| Exterior              | The Civic Type R sports aggressive <b>20-inch alloy wheels</b>   | The standard Veloster N rolls on smallish <b>18-inch wheels</b> , and the Performance Package has <b>19-inch alloys</b>                                  |
| Performance           | <b>295</b> <sub>lb-ft</sub><br>The Type R has a big advantage in peak torque: 295 lb-ft @ 2500–4500 rpm <sup>1</sup>   | <b>260</b> <sub>lb-ft</sub><br>With 260 lb-ft @ 1450–4000 rpm for the standard and @1450–4700 for the Performance Package, both trims come up well short |
|                       | The Honda tops both competitor trims in peak horsepower output: <b>306 hp @ 6500 rpm</b> <sup>2</sup>  | The standard Veloster N peaks at <b>250 hp @ 6000 rpm</b> , and the Performance Package tops out at <b>275 hp @ 6000 rpm</b>                             |
|                       | Its <b>245/30 ZR20 tires</b> mean the Type R puts more rubber on the road for grippier cornering   | The Hyundai has skinnier <b>225/40 R18</b> or <b>235/35 R19 tires</b> , depending on trim  |
|                       | The Civic Type R can pull hard out of corners thanks to its standard helical limited-slip differential   | Only the Veloster N Performance Package gets the benefit of a limited-slip differential  |
| Comfort & Convenience | <b>25.7–46.2</b> <sub>cu ft</sub><br>With a cargo-volume range of 25.7–46.2 cubic feet depending on the rear seatback position, the Type R is the bigger hauler  | <b>19.9–44.5</b> <sub>cu ft</sub><br>The Hyundai's cargo specs are 19.9 cubic feet with the seatback up and 44.5 cubic feet with it folded               |
|                       | The Type R gives occupants more room to stretch out, with more passenger volume, more headroom and shoulder room in both rows, and more rear legroom and hiproom | The Veloster N has modest advantages only in front legroom and hiproom   |
|                       | The Civic Type R comes with an accommodating dual-zone automatic climate control system  | Occupants of the Veloster N will have to agree on settings, as the Hyundai has only single-zone adjustability  |

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| Comfort & Convenience     | <b>12</b> speakers <b>540</b> watts<br>The Honda's 12-speaker, 540-watt audio system maintains the Type R performance edge  | <b>8</b> speakers<br>The Veloster N's sound system has 8 speakers, but Hyundai doesn't disclose the power spec |
| Safety & Driver-Assistive | <br>Driver confidence and convenience are enhanced on the Type R with standard CMBS, <sup>3</sup> RDM, <sup>4</sup> LKAS <sup>5</sup> and ACC <sup>6</sup> | No Veloster N has any features similar to those provided in the Honda Sensing® suite                           |
|                           | The Type R comes standard with auto high-beam headlights to enhance nighttime driving convenience   | The Veloster N does not feature auto high beams  |
|                           | A multi-angle rearview camera <sup>7</sup> is standard on the Type R  | The Hyundai's camera provides only a single view   |
| Value                     | The Civic Type R has an enormous edge in ALG Residual Values; based on 2019 models, the Honda is expected to retain 54% after 36 months and 33% after 60 months <sup>8</sup>  | The Veloster N is expected to retain a meager 39% after 36 months and 23% after 60 months <sup>8</sup>         |

**The Verdict:** The Civic Type R is the clear victor in performance, comfort, enjoyability, confidence-inspiring tech and value. The Honda offers:



- More responsiveness from higher horsepower and torque
- Wider tires for greater grip
- Greater comfort with more passenger space
- More day-to-day cargo-hauling space
- The most complete suite of safety and driver-assistive features
- Vast advantages in retained value down the road



<sup>1</sup>295 lb-ft @ 2500–4500 rpm (SAE net). <sup>2</sup>306 hp @ 6500 rpm (SAE net). <sup>3</sup>CMBS cannot detect all objects ahead and may not detect a given object; accuracy will vary based on weather, speed and other factors. System operation affected by extreme interior heat. System designed to mitigate crash forces. Driver remains responsible for safely operating vehicle and avoiding collisions. <sup>4</sup>Road Departure Mitigation only alerts drivers when lane drift is detected without a turn signal in use and can apply mild steering torque to assist driver in maintaining proper lane position and/or brake pressure to slow the vehicle's departure from a detected lane. RDM may not detect all lane markings or lane departures; accuracy will vary based on weather, speed and road condition. System operation affected by extreme interior heat. Driver remains responsible for safely operating vehicle and avoiding collisions. <sup>5</sup>LKAS only assists driver in maintaining proper lane position when lane markings are identified without a turn signal in use and can only apply mild steering torque to assist. LKAS may not detect all lane markings; accuracy will vary based on weather, speed and road condition. System operation affected by extreme interior heat. Driver remains responsible for safely operating vehicle and avoiding collisions. <sup>6</sup>ACC cannot detect all objects ahead and may not detect a given object; accuracy will vary based on weather, speed, and other factors. ACC should not be used in heavy traffic, poor weather, or on winding roads. Driver remains responsible for safely operating vehicle and avoiding collisions. <sup>7</sup>Always visually confirm that it is safe to drive before backing up; the rearview camera display does not provide complete information about all conditions and objects at the rear of your vehicle. <sup>8</sup>ALG figures as of 12/13/2019