

STAGE FLASH

Date: 19 August 2017
Day: 3
Stage: Panzerplatte 2
Weather: 20 degrees, sunny
Track: damp parts in the forest, rest dry

Flash N°: 15
Distance: 41.97 km

1	OGIER Sébastien/INGRASSIA Julien	FRA/FRA	FORD FIESTA WRC
"It was okay. A clean stage for me. Maybe I could have pushed more."			
2	TÄNAK Ott/JÄRVEOJA Martin	EST/EST	FORD FIESTA WRC
"Quite happy. We had a very clean run. In the places that were tricky we were trying to be more cautious."			
3	EVANS Elfyn/BARRITT Daniel	GBR/GBR	FORD FIESTA WRC
"It was generally pretty good. It felt quite okay, smooth and clean. The time doesn't show it. We had an overshoot at a junction but it didn't cost too much. We did what we could."			
4	PADDON Hayden/MARSHALL Sebastian	NZL/GBR	HYUNDAI i20 WRC
"Quite enjoyable to drive. Ninety per cent of the stage is 100 per cent dry. The best conditions I've driven this stage in the last few years."			
6	SORDO Dani/MARTÍ Marc	ESP/ESP	HYUNDAI i20 WRC
"I enjoyed it a lot more now. The first loop was very slippery. Disappointed about the mistakes on the first day but we work on things like the diffs now and the car works well."			
8	BREEN Craig/MARTIN Scott	IRL/GBR	CITROËN C3 WRC
"I really enjoyed it. Tried to save the tyres so that they don't overheat. Much better than this morning."			
9	MIKKELSEN Andreas/JÆGER Anders	NOR/NOR	CITROËN C3 WRC
"I've finally mastered this stage! It was a clean stage. Of course, you can always push harder here and there. We're still in the fight."			
10	LATVALA Jari-Matti/ANTTILA Miikka	FIN/FIN	TOYOTA YARIS WRC
"We had a puncture [front right], 25 or 30 kilometres in. I don't know what caused it. Maybe a cut or a stone. It was just a small thing."			
11	HÄNNINEN Juho/LINDSTRÖM Kaj	FIN/FIN	TOYOTA YARIS WRC
"The damper is broken, I think. We lost quite some time."			
12	LAPPI Esapekka/FERM Janne	FIN/FIN	TOYOTA YARIS WRC
"We had a front left puncture. We touched a sharp edge that wasn't there in the first pass."			

14	KREMER Armin/WINKLHOFER Pirmin	DEU/DEU	FORD FIESTA WRC
"It was really nice to drive although it's quite difficult on that surface. We have a good feeling for the car."			
31	TIDEMAND Pontus/ANDERSSON Jonas	SWE/SWE	ŠKODA FABIA R5
"It's a bit nicer to drive when you don't have punctures. It's a very tough but fantastic stage, I enjoyed it. It's not really made for cars. But that's the same for everyone."			
32	SUNINEN Teemu/MARKKULA Mikko	FIN/FIN	FORD FIESTA R5
[Front right puncture.] "I did not stop to change it, I had no time."			
33	CAMILLI Eric/VEILLAS Benjamin	FRA/FRA	FORD FIESTA R5
"I prefer it when it's a fight. I liked the fight with Kopecký."			
34	KOPECKÝ Jan/DRESLER Pavel	CZE/CZE	ŠKODA FABIA R5
"A puncture somewhere. I was braking in the line and suddenly in the next corner the front-left was flat and we had to stop and change it."			
37	TEMPESTINI Simone/BERNACCHINI Giovanni	ITA/ITA	CITROËN DS3 R5
"It was okay but we didn't take any risks. We're not really happy because the car does not have a really good grip in these conditions."			
41	GRIEBEL Marijan/KOPCZYK Stefan	DEU/DEU	ŠKODA FABIA R5
[Front right puncture.] "I lost maybe five seconds. I don't know where it happened. If it's too much tyre wear. We didn't hit anything."			
42	LOUBET Pierre-Louis/LANDAIS Vincent	FRA/FRA	FORD FIESTA R5
"It was difficult – not easy."			
66	TANNERT Julius/HEIGL Jürgen	DEU/AUT	FORD FIESTA R2
"That was much better than during the first loop. This way, it is a lot of fun."			
75	GASSNER Hermann/THANNHÄUSER Karin	DEU/DEU	MITSUBISHI EVO X
"That was my playing field again. That was really fun just now."			
78	GASSNER JR. Hermann/KRAMER Jasmin	DEU/DEU	TOYOTA GT86 R3
"We're not where I want to be with the development with the car. But this rally shows that we are on the right track."			