

## STAGE FLASH

**Date:** 25<sup>th</sup> August 2012  
**Day:** 2  
**Special Stage:** Peterberg 1  
**Weather:** 18 degrees, overcast  
 changing conditions  
**Track:** wet

**Flash N°: 8**  
**Distance: 9,37 km**

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1	LOEB, Sébastien / ELENA, Daniel	FRA/MCO	CITROËN DS3 WRC
"It was difficult to drive with the hard tyres in the rain. I didn't want to make any mistakes."			

4	SOLBERG, Petter / PATTERSON, Chris	NOR/GBR	FORD Fiesta RS WRC
"The conditions are very difficult, but it's going quite well."			

3	LATVALA, Jari-Matti / ANTTILA, Miiikka	FIN/FIN	FORD Fiesta RS WRC
"I lost some time as I went straight on into a field. I need to stay focussed in order to be able to finish third." (left-hand side mirror missing)			

8	NEUVILLE, Thierry / GILSOUL, Nicolas	BEL/BEL	CITROËN DS3 WRC
"It was a nice stage and I had a good speed, but I spun once. It seems I am still not familiar with the car."			

37	SORDO, Daniel / DEL BARRIO, Carlos	ESP/ ESP	MINI John Cooper WRC
"The time is okay - I'm satisfied. I am in third position now, but there is still a long way to go. I cannot go any faster, after all I have taken a lot of risk now."			

2	HIRVONEN, Mikko / LEHTINEN, Jarmo	FIN/FIN	CITROËN DS3 WRC
"Now I love this rally, because I have not made any mistakes."			

5	TANAK, Ott / SIKK, Kuldar	EST/EST	FORD Fiesta RS WRC
"This was a fast, trouble-free stage. We are doing our best."			

10	ÖSTBERG, Mads / ANDERSSON, Jonas	NOR/SWE	FORD Fiesta RS WRC
"It is very tough. Soft tyres would have been the optimal choice."			



12	ATKINSON, Chris / PREVOT, Stephane	AUS/BEL	MINI John Cooper WRC
I would like to keep up this position. The car is good - I am satisfied."			

15	VANMERKSTEIJN JR.Peter/CHEVAILLIER	NLD/BEL	CITROËN DS3 WRC
"I have a good feeling, I am satisfied. It was very slippery."			

7	AL ATTIYAH, Nasser / BERNACCHINI, G.	QAT/ITA	CITROËN DS3 WRC
"It is not easy today. The hard tyres were the wrong choice. I took it very cautiously because here you can easily make a mistake."			

6	NOVIKOV, Evgeny / GIRAUDET, Denis	RUS/FRA	FORD Fiesta RS WRC
"It is very slippery with the hard tyres."			

22	OGIER, Sébastien / INGRASSIA, Julien	FRA/FRA	SKODA Fabia S2000
It is too slippery to push the limits."			

23	MIKKELSEN, Andreas / FLOENE, Ola	NOR/NOR	SKODA Fabia S2000
"This was a faster stage. I had problems with heavy understeering. We ought to be more competitive."			

24	WIEGAND, Sebastian / GOTTSCHALK, T.	DEU/DEU	SKODA Fabia S2000
"It is not easy, but I like these conditions and felt good. It will be difficult on Panzerplatte with the soft tyres."			