

## STAGE FLASH

**Date:** 18 August 2018

**Day:** 3

**Stage:** Panzerplatte 2

**Weather:** 25 degrees, sunny

**Track:** Dry

**Flash N°:** 13

**Distance:** 38.57 km

1	OGIER Sébastien/INGRASSIA Julien	FRA/FRA	FORD Fiesta WRC	"Puncture. Don't know how it happened, same line as always. We know it is a bit of a lottery with the rocks."
3	SUNINEN Teemu/MARKKULA Mikko	FIN/FIN	FORD Fiesta WRC	"I was struggling with the tyres, it was difficult to manage them, but it was only my second time ever with the WRC car here and maybe that is part of the learning."
5	NEUVILLE Thierry/GILSOUL Nicolas	BEL/BEL	HYUNDAI i20 Coupe WRC	"That's part of the game obviously and you can see what happened to me last year, a puncture for Seb I guess? The car was good, I kept a clean rhythm and didn't take any risks."
6	SORDO Dani/DEL BARRIO Carlos	ESP/ESP	HYUNDAI i20 Coupe WRC	"I'm happy with the car and with the performance on this stage. In the morning this stage was also good for us. I want to do well on the next two stages because the Toyotas look like they're faster."
8	TÄNAK Ott/JÄRVEOJA Martin	EST/EST	TOYOTA Yaris WRC	"He had a puncture on the previous one actually. On this stage it was a bit distracting at points because I saw Seb so close to me and I backed off a little bit."
9	LAPPI Esapekka/FERM Janne	FIN/FIN	TOYOTA Yaris WRC	"Not perfect for sure, it is hard to manage. I think my tyre management is okay but I am just missing the perfect feeling."
10	ØSTBERG Mads/ERIKSEN Torstein	NOR/NOR	CITROËN C3 WRC	"I'm not so happy to see my time in there because the feeling with the car was better but the time was worse. I just need more time in the car basically, so I can understand how you drive it."
11	BREEN Craig/MARTIN Scott	IRL/GBR	CITROËN C3 WRC	"Didn't push as much as I wanted in there. I had a bad tyre in that one, thankfully there is a tyre fitting zone next."