

STAGE FLASH

Date: 24 August 2019
Day: 3
Stage: SS9 Römerstrasse 1
Weather: 13 degrees, sunny
Track: Dry

Flash N°: 9
Distance: 12.28 km

1	OGIER Sébastien/INGRASSIA Julien	FRA/FRA	CITROËN C3 WRC	"On the jump the car was unstable. The car is difficult to drive anyway and we are fighting it the whole time."
3	SUNINEN Teemu/LEHTINEN Jarmo	FIN/FIN	FORD Fiesta WRC	"It was okay. We have nothing to gain, but I tried to go for it and keep a good rhythm to show that I have good speed on tarmac."
4	LAPPI Esapekka/FERM Janne	FIN/FIN	CITROËN C3 WRC	"I didn't touch the car. It was still not a clean stage to be honest, I can improve. The car is definitely better - I just wasn't confident enough to use it on the first stage."
5	MEEKE Kris/MARSHALL Sebastian	GBR/GBR	TOYOTA Yaris WRC	"I had a clean stage. For sure, the road is getting a little bit dirtier in places, but I'm just trying to be clean and tidy and seeing where that takes us."
8	TÄNAK Ott/JÄRVEOJA Martin	EST/EST	TOYOTA Yaris WRC	"I had a good stage and I pushed a bit more than the previous one. The surface was a bit cleaner, so it was less risk."
10	LATVALA Jari-Matti/ANTTILA Miikka	FIN/FIN	TOYOTA Yaris WRC	"Driving is not the way it is supposed to be. I am not confident enough and I am thinking about the braking points and everything too much. Maybe I need to forget that for a while and try to get back to basics."
11	NEUVILLE Thierry/GILSOUL Nicolas	BEL/BEL	HYUNDAI i20 Coupe WRC	"I was at a junction and I was late on the brakes and stalled a little bit. I struggled to restart the engine, as a fuse was gone and we lost a lot of time."
17	KATSUTA Takamoto/BARRITT Daniel	JPN/GBR	TOYOTA Yaris WRC	"Quite enjoyable, but I went quite carefully. On the second loop, in some places I will try to go a bit faster."
44	GREENSMITH Gus/EDMONDSON Elliott	GBR/GBR	FORD Fiesta WRC	"I turned in and lost the front. When we clipped a tree we bent the steering arm, so we changed it after the stage and carried on."
89	MIKKELSEN Andreas/JÆGER Anders	NOR/NOR	HYUNDAI i20 Coupe WRC	"I am pushing. It's hard to say where all that time lies - I don't know."



21	ROVANPERÄ Kalle/HALTTUNEN Jonne	FIN/FIN	ŠKODA Fabia R5 evo
"We went off in an easy place. I am really sorry for the team - I am doing stupid mistakes all of the time, but I have to learn."			
22	ØSTBERG Mads/ERIKSEN Torstein	NOR/NOR	CITROËN C3 R5
"Time-wise that is good. I am trying my best - I love the stages today and I drive to the limit. I can understand and feel that we are far away."			
23	KOPECKÝ Jan/DRESLER Pavel	CZE/CZE	ŠKODA Fabia R5 evo
"I think Kalle was going over the limit. It is very close to make a mistake and he is very lucky that he could continue. It's good for him, because he can gain some experience."			