



## STAGE FLASH

**Date:** 06/10/2018  
**Section:** 2  
**Special Stage:** SS7 Clocaenog 2 (7.67 km)  
**Weather:** Cloudy  
**Road Conditions:** Wet

5. Thierry Neuville (BEL) / Nicolas Gilsoul (BEL) (Hyundai i20 Coupé WRC)

We changed the dampers and springs in service and it took a little bit of time to get used to it, but it feels better. Maybe it will work a bit better for us.

8. Ott Tänak (EST) / Martin Järveoja (EST) (Toyota Yaris WRC)

The road has a lot more grip than this morning. Let's see how it develops but the guys on the medium tyres will be fast as well.

1. Sébastien Ogier (FRA) / Julien Ingrassia (FRA) (Ford Fiesta WRC)

Grip was better, car is fixed, so much better this time.

9. Esapekka Lappi (FIN) / Janne Ferm (FIN) (Toyota Yaris WRC)

No mistakes this time, better start definitely. The feeling was really nice, we changed a lot in service. Car feels better

7. Jari-Matti Latvala (FIN) / Miikka Anttila (FIN) (Toyota Yaris WRC)

That felt quite good. A couple of junctions I was maybe trying to come too close and brake too late but otherwise fine. There is a long way to go.

4. Andreas Mikkelsen (NOR) / Anders Jaeger (NOR) (Hyundai i20 Coupé WRC)

We made some changes to the car and it feels better. At least the car feels more like how I want it. I didn't take advantage of that in this stage but we'll see what we can do.

3. Teemu Suninen (FIN) / Mikko Markkula (FIN) (Ford Fiesta WRC)

It was a good stage for us. Very surprised by the grip level - it was much better than in the morning.

6. Hayden Paddon (NZL) / Sebastian Marshall (GBR) (Hyundai i20 Coupé WRC)

Difficult to tell on this stage. This is a warm up for the next two. We're keeping a comfortable pace at the moment and trying to learn a few things for tomorrow.



10. Mads Ostberg (NOR) / Torstein Eriksen (NOR) (Citroen C3 WRC)

It's not so bad. I don't think my pace is developing better. I try, we can't go much faster as we are on the limit. We changed the suspension in service and that is better now. We will try this afternoon to find a setup that works.

11. Craig Breen (IRL) / Scott Martin (GBR) (Citroen C3 WRC)

I could have done better in there than that. We'll go better on the next one.

33. Lukasz Pieniazek (POL) / Przemyslaw Mazur (POL) (Skoda Fabia R5)

No big problems. I missed my line at one junction but it was OK.

34. Fabio Andolfi (ITA) / Simone Scattolin (ITA) (Skoda Fabia R5)

I didn't have a good feeling in that stage at all.

35. Ole Christian Veiby (NOR) / Stig Rune Skjaermoen (NOR) (Skoda Fabia R5)

My handbrake locked on at the start. I was standing for 10-15 seconds before I went off the start line.

36. Kalle Rovander (FIN) / Jonne Halttunen (FIN) (Skoda Fabia R5)

Time looks good. I made a mistake in there but it still looks like the fastest time so OK.

37. Jari Huttunen (FIN) / Antti Linnaketo (FIN) (Hyundai i20 R5)

That went OK but it was difficult.

40. Stéphane Lefebvre (FRA) / Gabin Moreau (FRA) (Citroen C3 R5)

Quite good. We tried to find a good setup but it's not easy to find the right one.

38. Pierre-Louis Loubet (FRA) / Vincent Landais (FRA) (Hyundai i20 R5)

We tried in there but my time still wasn't very good.

42. Simone Tempestini (ROU) / Itu Sergiu (ROU) (Citroen C3 R5)

That stage was like the others.

41. Marco Bulacia Wilkinson (BOL) / Fabian Cretu (ARG) (Skoda Fabia R5)

All good, perfect thank you.

61. Taiko Lario (FIN) / Tatu Hatamalainen (FIN) (Peugeot 208 R2)

The ruts are quite deep and we're worried about punctures so avoiding the big ruts.

64. Tom Williams (GBR) / Phil Hall (GBR) (Ford Fiesta R2)

More rough this time, good rhythm had to make sure our pace was OK.



63. Louise Cook (GBR) / Stefan Davis (GBR) (Ford Fiesta R2)

A bit better, I've been making lots of mistakes and losing lots of minutes, but no mistakes in that stage.

62. Enrico Brazzoli (ITA) / Luca Beltrame (ITA) (Peugeot 208 R2)

Not good, more slippery than I thought. Thought I was faster.

83. Rhys Yates (GBR) / Elliott Edmondson (GBR) (Skoda Fabia R5)

Changed settings in service so the car is better, but stages are rougher than I thought they would be.

84. Tom Cave (GBR) / James Morgan (GBR) (Hyundai i20 R5)

A lot happier now, no problems in there

85. Gaurav Gill (IND) / Glenn Macneall (AUS) (Ford Fiesta R5)

New tyres. It's all about learning and developing the tyres.

89. Paulo Nobre (BRA) / Gabriel Morales (BRA) (Skoda Fabia R5)

I'm angry about the time penalty for being late at the control after the traffic jam. I'm so angry I knocked six seconds off my time this morning!

81. Matt Edwards (GBR) / Darren Garrod (GBR) (Ford Fiesta R5)

It was a bit off a mess getting in and out of Deeside. I did not check everything I wanted to.

86. Alex Laffey (GBR) / Patrick Walsh (GBR) (Ford Fiesta R5)

Stage went well but there was pressure caused by traffic on way to stage, I was not able to make the changes which we wanted to the car.

87. Eamonn Boland (IRL) / Mj Morrissey (IRL) (Ford Fiesta R5)

We got caught on the traffic on the way here but other than that we had no problems.

91. Jean-Baptiste Franceschi (FRA) / Romain Courbon (FRA) (Ford Fiesta R2)

The grip on the car was better than this morning so we had fun and enjoyed that one.

92. Steve Rokland (NOR) / Dai Roberts (GBR) (Peugeot 208 R2)

Better grip this time. I was a bit stressed because of the traffic to the stage out of Deeside. I think we were a bit late.

93. James Williams (GBR) / Tom Woodburn (GBR) (Opel Adam R2)

No time to change things on the car which we wanted to. We got straight into the stage and it was OK.

100. Jordan Reynolds (GBR) / Peredur Davies (GBR) (Ford Fiesta R2)

A lot better. It's not raining, we had a good feeling with the car on that stage.



95. Tony Jardine (GBR) / Tom Cary (GBR) (Mitsubishi Evolution IX GT)

My codriver is feeling much better now. The stage was OK apart from a little off we had last night.

88. Sacha Kakad (GBR) / James Aldridge (GBR) (Ford Fiesta R5)

That stage was good. We had a bit of trouble today but I think everything was OK now.

97. John Morrison (GBR) / Peter Carstairs (GBR) (Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution IX)

Not too bad. It was very slippery but it was fine.

101. Finlay Retson (GBR) / Tom Hynd (GBR) (Ford Fiesta R2)

Much better. Probably the best stage of the day. I was quite happy with that.

102. Spencer Wilkinson (GBR) / Glyn Thomas (GBR) (Subaru Impreza WRX STi)

I'm not going fast enough but I still enjoyed it and that's the main bit.

99. Scott Partridge (GBR) / Fiona Scarret (GBR) (Subaru Impreza)

A lot better than this morning. We have some new tyres which has made a great difference.

104. Alex Waterman (GBR) / Harry Thomas (GBR) (Ford Fiesta R2T)

It was tight getting here but my run through the stage was good.

105. Bart Lang (GBR) / Sinclair Young (GBR) (Ford Fiesta R2)

Mega run but I made a mistake near the end and went up on two wheels but was OK and much better than this morning.

107. Nabila Tejpar (GBR) / Richard Bliss (GBR) (Peugeot 208 R2)

A good run through there.

108. Jonathan Mulholland (GBR) / Jeff Case (IRL) (Ford Fiesta R2)

It wasn't as bad the first time and we went a bit quicker.

106. Saleh Hijazi (GBR) / Stephen Landen (GBR) (MG ZR)

Much better than this morning. it's drier

109. Stephen Southall (GBR) / Richard Bestwick (GBR) (Ford Escort Mk2)

Brilliant. It was cut up but it was sound.

110. Iwan Evans (GBR) / Sion Williams (GBR) (Subaru Impreza)

It was very rough in some places but we had a tidy run through.