



STAGE FLASH

Date: 04/10/2019

Section: 2

Special Stage: SS8 Slate Mountain (1.6 km)

Road Conditions: Signs of stage drying, better conditions than last year.

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

Short, but good.

1. Sébastien Ogier (FRA) / Julien Ingrassia (FRA) (Citroen C3 WRC)

Very short. It's been going better for us at the moment.

11. Thierry Neuville (BEL) / Nicolas Gilsoul (BEL) (Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC)

We've got to keep on pushing, Let's see what we can do this afternoon.

5. Kris Meeke (GBR) / Sebastian Marshall (GBR) (Toyota Yaris WRC)

A bit more consistent grip but still very very tricky. It's going to be a big challenge going into the dark trying to read the grip.

3. Teemu Suninen (FIN) / Jarmo Lehtinen (FIN) (Ford Fiesta WRC)

It's been really slippy, the mud is getting polished. It's going to be even more difficult in the dark.

33. Elfyn Evans (GBR) / Scott Martin (GBR) (Ford Fiesta WRC)

We'll just keep going. It's been tough, but we'll just keep trying.

7. Pontus Tidemand (SWE) / Ola Floene (NOR) (Ford Fiesta WRC)

Very difficult. There are two stages to go now.

42. Craig Breen (IRL) / Paul Nagle (IRL) (Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC)

Not so bad, everything holding OK at the moment so quite happy.

21. Kalle Rovanperä (FIN) / Jonne Halttunen (FIN) (Skoda Fabia R5 Evo)

Quite OK, a bit more caution there. It's going to be really interesting in the dark.

23. Gus Greensmith (GBR) / Elliott Edmondson (GBR) (Ford Fiesta R5 Mkii)

It's been good, fighting pretty hard at the moment and pushing as hard as we can.



24. Jan Kopecky (CZE) / Pavel Dresler (CZE) (Skoda Fabia R5 Evo)

OK, slippery but better. The flying finish was a bit different. Trying to stay on the road is the main target.

41. Benito Guerra (MEX) / Jaime Zapata (MEX) (Skoda Fabia R5 Evo)

It was difficult with the hard tyres. It's a strange feeling, I'm trying to get into the feeling again. I spent three months with no driving, no testing and it has been a very difficult day but I think it is not so bad. We are in seventh place in WRC2, now we will try to push.

43. Pierre-louis Loubet (FRA) / Vincent Landais (FRA) (Skoda Fabia R5)

It was difficult today, but we tried to manage and we have a good gap so we don't want to do anything stupid.

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

This stage is short but not easy. There is a lot of rocks in there.

53. Adrien Fourmaux (FRA) / Renaud Jamoul (BEL) (Ford Fiesta R5)

The first stage was completely rough, it was a bit complicated but it wasn't a bad stage for us. This one is a little bit too short, we like a bit more but it's enjoyable. There is a good feeling and atmosphere.

56. Guillaume De Mevius (BEL) / Martijn Wydaeghe (BEL) (Citroen C3 R5)

This one is very funny, it was OK. We had a puncture in the first loop which lost us 30 seconds. We will see after.

51. Rhys Yates (GBR) / James Morgan (GBR) (Hyundai NG i20 R5)

It's been good, we had a puncture through Elsi about 5 km from the end. It's been a solid day trying to build confidence and get comfortable. I think the next two will be difficult.

71. Tom Kristensson (SWE) / Henrik Appelskog (SWE) (Ford Fiesta R2)

Not difficult, it was as expected. It is rough, it is Rally GB and we enjoy it!

72. Jan Solans (ESP) / Mauro Barreiro (ESP) (Ford Fiesta R2)

We're here so for the moment it's good. One puncture but it's OK. It feels like a stage win so it's good.

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

A good day and a bad day. We're happy where we are in fourth place but it's a shame we're not fighting for first and second because I started to build a gap. It's a long rally, so that's what you've got to be ready for.

76. Enrico Oldrati (ITA) / Elia De Guio (ITA) (Ford Fiesta R2)

The car's ok, we made it to here but now we have two more stages. Very difficult stages but we will see.

77. Sean Johnston (USA) / Alex Kihurani (USA) (Ford Fiesta R2)

The stage was fine, I'm struggling with the transmission. The engine cut when shifting is too long, which is frustrating.



78. Fabrizio Zaldivar (PRY) / Fernando Mussano (ARG) (Ford Fiesta R2)

Very rough, we didn't do one stage and this one, lots of ruts.

80. Ryan Booth (USA) / Rhianon Gelsomino (AUS) (Ford Fiesta R2)

It's been pretty challenging but fun. Totally different to what I'm used to in America. Just learning how it goes.

81. Keanna Erickson-Chang (USA) / Niall Burns (IRL) (Ford Fiesta R2)

Stages are getting rough but still having fun. Not looking forward to rallying in the night so much!

91. Nikolay Gryazin (RUS) / Yaroslav Fedorov (RUS) (Skoda Fabia R5)

Everything's good, slippery stage. Big stones so trying to not push, to avoid them.

92. Takamoto Katsuta (JPN) / Daniel Barritt (GBR) (Ford Fiesta R5 Mkii)

Definitely a difficult day, the stages were very rough.

94. Tom Cave (GBR) / Dale Furniss (GBR) (Hyundai NG i20 R5)

We've fixed the car in service. We're so hindered with our road position today, we're so far back from the WRC2 guys.

96. Patrick Dejean (FRA) / Lionel Currat (FRA) (Ford Fiesta R5)

Three punctures in Elsi. It's a lot of fun but we had these issues so didn't really push.

97. Eamonn Boland (IRL) / MJ (IRL) (Ford Fiesta R5)

Not so bad, some of the stages were very rough but we had a good day.

100. Ruairi Bell (GBR) / Darren Garrod (GBR) (Ford Fiesta R2)

Sadly Penmachno was cancelled. We just need to push harder and get going.

101. Philippe Casado (FRA) / Kevin Bronner (FRA) (Peugeot 208 R2)

It's OK, very nice conditions.

102. Josh Cornwell (GBR) / Dai Roberts (GBR) (Peugeot 208 R2)

So far it's not been too bad at all. There's been bits that have been difficult but we're getting through it, which is our objective. Looking forward to tonight, I love the dark!

103. Diego Dominguez (PRY) / Rogelio Lopez (ESP) (Ford Fiesta R2)

It's perfect *laughs*