



STAGE FLASH

Date: 2 October 2021
Day: 2
Special stage: 8 - Päijälä 1
Weather: Clear
Road conditions: Clean

Flash N°: 8
Distance: 22.61 km

- #16 Fourmaux Adrien/Coria Alexandre**
"The car is lifting a lot at the front, Ok it's interesting to see the sky but.. I was quite slippy in some places, the grip changing a lot. It's very good learning, it's really fast."
- #44 Greensmith Gus/Patterson Chris**
"In that (previous?) stage our notes were too fast. it seems OK but the grip wasn't there, a tricky one."
- #18 Katsuta Takamoto/Johnston Aaron**
Went off. Crew OK
- #1 Ogier Sébastien/Ingrassia Julien**
"Not really slippery. I just heard that Katsuta was out but both are OK so that's the most important. I don't have the confidence to push."
- #11 Neuville Thierry/Wydaeghe Martijn**
"I'm trying what I can. In that stage there are places where you can go fast. I'm trying to find the right balance between pushing and keeping the car on the road. Our target is to reach Lappi, that's the goal of the day."
- #69 Rovannerä Kalle/Halttunen Jonne**
"I knew it would be difficult because of the high speed. I cannot do anything more, I just try to survive on the road, we're sliding so much and don't have the grip to be faster."
- #4 Lappi Esapekka/Ferm Janne**
"We got a nice rhythm, it was a good stage for us to be honest. I was quite many times on the limit, it's very hard to find the grip, suddenly you completely lose it and start to go wide."
- #33 Evans Elfyn/Martin Scott**
"It felt okay, honestly not perfect everywhere, sometimes I came too hard and I lost my line a little bit but it went ok"
- #8 Tänak Ott/Järveoja Martin**
"It's a nice stage, high speed, challenging but we did all we could."

- #42 Breen Craig/Nagle Paul**
"It was not a bad stage, but Elvyn has done a real amazing time. I struggled with the grip especially on the last part of the stage."
- #23 Suninen Teemu/Markkula Mikko**
"It was quite tricky, grip was changing a lot. But generally it felt okay."
- #20 Østberg Mads/Eriksen Torstein**
"I'm not at all happy. The stage was very fast and I struggled a lot, there was no rhythm. Really disappointed."
- #22 Gryazin Nikolay/Aleksandrov Konstantin**
(Right rear puncture) "It happened just as the beginning of the stage in the narrow part. It was a small stone and it's surprising because I didn't feel the hit, it might have been a small rock, but I couldn't avoid it. It was really small so it's disappointing. It's difficult to avoid the stones in the narrow part."
- #21 Huttunen Jari/Lukka Mikko**
"This is one of my favorite stages, I liked it a lot. The time isn't that good though, I don't know why. The grip is changing a lot."
- #26 Linnamäe Georg/Morgan James**
"It went more or less okay, no problems. Not taking many risks, taking it easy and trying to get to know these roads. The grip is changing a lot, however on the wide sections, it was quite easy."
- #24 Prokop Martin/Ernst Michal**
"It was okay, we made quite a lot of mistakes in the fast sections, I was not sure on some corners so I broke too much. incredible day today."
- #32 Lindholm Emil/Hämäläinen Reeta**
"It went well, the stage is as beautiful as always. The mid section was a bit slippery so we were more careful."
- #30 Heikkilä Mikko/Luhtinen Topi**
"It was clean, apparently Emil was faster but that's okay. This was a beautiful stage, some really great places."
- #29 Kaur Egon/Simm Silver**
"This is really a tricky stage, I've never driven such a stage before so it was quite a lot of learning."
- #28 Pepe López/Borja Odriozola**
"Really fast, I'm enjoying it a bit more, I will get more confident during the day and hope it will get better."
- #39 Joona Lauri/Korhonen Mikael**
"It was okay, and the stage was what I expected it to be. We're still learning, but the stage was great."
- #35 Jeets Raul/Toom Andrus**
"Very difficult and all different feelings. For the fast portions, you need experience. It will be better for the second pass."

- #38 Juuso Metsälä/Matti Kangas**
“It was okay, it’s getting better little by little.”
- #37 Tahko Riku/Soininen Markus**
“It was pretty tough, first time for me driving this stage. There was a couple of places that we needed to fix for the pacenotes, so the second time should be easier. But it’s a great stage, have to respect that.”
- #41 Huuhka Jari/Metso Jarno**
“This is not so funny anymore. It felt really slippery, so we didn’t have full confidence.”
- #45 Paasonen Jani/Kapanen Arto**
“Around 8 kilometres we lost the brakes, so we had to manage without them for the last 3 kilometres.”
- #47 Burger Kees/Arminen Teemu**
“It’s always in the back of your mind (yesterday’s troubles), the feeling is OK, the confidence is still there because the car gives quite good confidence to the driver, it’s basically me who has to do the right driving. The times are quite OK, so far so good.”
- #50 Bertolotti Simone/Celestini Luca**
“Really nice and funny stage but difficult, the high speed, the jumps, it’s complicated for us but we continue.”
- #49 Szabó Zoltán/Szabó Krisztián**
“Great but difficult. Last time we were here we rolled on that stage so we were very careful.”