



### SSS13: MONACO CIRCUIT (SUPER SPECIAL)

Date:	24.01.2026		
Day:	3	Flash N°:	18
Special Stage:	13	Distance:	2,69 km
Weather:	10°C – Rain		
Road conditions:	Full wet road.		

#### SSS13: Fourmaux and Hyundai, scratch !

Adrien Fourmaux won his first special stage in the 94<sup>th</sup> Monte Carlo Rally, and Hyundai's first as well, on Saturday evening in the port of Monaco, with a flawless performance under the pouring rain. This eagerly awaited super special stage was 2.70 km long (two laps) and included a 'donut' to be performed twice.

Fourmaux finished seven tenths of a second ahead of Japan's Takamoto Katsuta (Toyota), followed in the SSS13 standings by Thierry Neuville (Hyundai), Sébastien Ogier and Elfyn Evans (Toyota). This special stage was mainly intended to entertain spectators in the Principality and had no impact on the overall standings, which are still dominated by three Toyota drivers. However, the leader, Oliver Solberg, did not shine, finishing 10th behind two drivers of the WRC2 category.

This super special stage brought an end to a very complicated Saturday, but one in which the gaps did not change much, at least for the top three. There are four stages remaining on Sunday morning (SS14 to SS17), including two passes through the legendary Col de Turini. Stages that could potentially change the composition of the podium and disrupt what, until Saturday evening, had been a masterclass from Toyota, ahead of Hyundai and Ford.

The provisional results speak for themselves: 12 to 1 for Toyota in terms of stage wins, including 6 for Solberg, 4 for Ogier and 2 for Evans, compared to one stage win for Fourmaux. Roll on Sunday morning in Col de Turini! With snow on the road, maybe...



## Quotes

### 55. MCERLEAN-TREACY

*4 Super Soft, 2 Studs*

"The donut on the cobbles... Being in full slicks under this type of weather wasn't so good. It's nice to drive around such a famous track, obviously, with the limelight of Monaco, but we could have definitely done better."

### 18. KATSUTA-JOHNSTON

*2 Super Soft, 1 Stud, 2 Non-studs*

"It was extremely slippery in many places. I had no confidence, but I was being tidy. Hopefully Morizo-san [Akio Toyoda, Chairman of Toyota Motor Corporation] was watching this. I don't know if our time is going to be great or not, but it was a good show."

### 13. MUNSTER-LOUKA

*3 Super Soft, 2 Non-studs*

"Slippy. A bit unlucky, I should have crossed it [the tyres] the other way. It's like ice-skating out there, I had a super soft on the rear right and I spun and stalled [in the donut]."

### 20. PADDON-KENNARD

*2 Studs, 4 Non-studs*

"To be honest, it's been a pretty poor rally. We have to remember we are here in a Rally1 car racing in Monaco. Let's smile because I'm very lucky to have this opportunity. We'll have a good sleep tonight, reset, and see if we can improve tomorrow."

### 95. ARMSTRONG-BYRNE

*4 Super Soft, 2 Studs*

"It was interesting, let's say. The donut on cobbles, it was an interesting place to put it, but it's impossible to do a clean one on slicks. A bit of a mistake on tyre choice, it wasn't easy, but you can't have it correct all the time."

### 11. NEUVILLE-WYDAEGHE

*4 Super Soft, 2 Non-studs*

"The rain came at the worst moment, we were on slick tyres. There was some standing water: it wasn't that easy. I am happy the day is over, it was a tough one. I am looking forward to tomorrow, which will be very challenging too. Thank you and congratulations to the Automobile Club of Monaco for organising this Super Special."



## 16. FOURMAUX-CORIA

*4 Super Soft, 1 Stud*

"It's been quite tricky, but it seems to be working. Let's see how the guys behind with the non-studs do. I feel like we are not competing in the same category. I am very pleased we have some tricky conditions in Monte Carlo, it's what we are expecting to find here. I think we can do even better, there is space to adjust ourselves but it's quite a good event. It's nice to finish here in Monaco on this Super Special, it's the first time for me and I am really enjoying it. That was a great idea."

## 1. OGIER-LANDAIS

*1 Stud, 5 Non-studs*

"I didn't put on any show. I think we looked ridiculous in here, but that's the way it is. A lot of snow again tomorrow. I'm not looking forward to it. With those tyres, nobody is looking forward to it."

## 33. EVANS-MARTIN

*1 Super Soft, 1 Stud, 4 Non-studs*

"It was really bad [in the rain]. It doesn't matter how slow you think you have to go, sometimes you don't realize "how slow is slow"! It was difficult, and obviously, it is raining a lot heavier now, so not ideal. I'm guessing from the previous stages that tomorrow will probably not be easy as well. We'll see."

## 99. SOLBERG-EDMONDSON


*1 Stud, 4 Non-studs*

"I did a terrible first donut, so that was not good. The second one was all right. It's raining so much with a lot of water on the track. I didn't want to mess it up after a great weekend so far. It is really tricky, but it's been a fantastic day and a fantastic weekend so far. I think everyone's been off a little bit everywhere, but I am in a good position. Let's see tomorrow, it's probably going to be another crazy day. I am happy to be finishing today."



## Classifications

### SSS13

POS	DRIVER	TEAM	STAGE TIME	DIFF PREV	DIFF 1st
1	 A. FOURMAUX		02:19.3	-	-
2	 T. KATSUTA		02:20.0	+ 00.7	+ 00.7
3	 T. NEUVILLE		02:23.7	+ 03.7	+ 04.4
4	 S. OGIER		02:24.2	+ 00.5	+ 04.9
5	 E. EVANS		02:24.8	+ 00.6	+ 05.5
6	 H. PADDON		02:25.5	+ 00.7	+ 06.2
7	 J. ARMSTRONG		02:28.0	+ 02.5	+ 08.7
8	 O. SOLBERG		02:30.2	+ 02.2	+ 10.9
9	 J. MCERLEAN		02:31.3	+ 01.1	+ 12.0
10	 G. MUNSTER		02:34.7	+ 03.4	+ 15.4
	 S. PAJARI		-	+ -	+ -

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## After SSS13

POS	DRIVER	TEAM	TOTAL TIME	DIFF PREV	DIFF 1st
1	 O. SOLBERG		03:16:34.1	-	-
2	 E. EVANS		03:17:33.4	+ 59.3	+ 59.3
3	 S. OGIER		03:17:59.4	+ 26.0	+ 01:25.3
4	 A. FOURMAUX		03:22:37.0	+ 04:37.6	+ 06:02.9
5	 T. NEUVILLE		03:23:57.1	+ 01:20.1	+ 07:23.0
6	 J. ARMSTRONG		03:26:38.0	+ 02:40.9	+ 10:03.9
7	 G. MUNSTER		03:28:03.4	+ 01:25.4	+ 11:29.3
8	 T. KATSUTA		03:28:11.0	+ 07.6	+ 11:36.9
9	 H. PADDON		03:32:22.5	+ 04:11.5	+ 15:48.4
10	 J. MCERLEAN		03:55:43.2	+ 23:20.7	+ 39:09.1