

RACECARD

2018 MICHELIN



VODAFONE 2018 RALLY DE PORTUGAL

PORTO/MATOSINHOS

MAY 17»20

52nd RUNNING

ROUND 6, 2018 FIA WORLD RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP

88 ENTRIES

TOTAL DISTANCE:

1,583.08KM

including 358.19km divided into 20 stages

TIMETABLE

THURSDAY, MAY 17

7:30am		Shakedown	4.60km
7:03pm	SS1	Lousada Super-Special	3.36km

FRIDAY, MAY 18

7:45am		Service/tyre change, Exponor	15 minutes
9:15am	SS2	Viana do Castelo	26.73km
10:20am	SS3	Caminha	18.11km
10:53am	SS4	Ponta de Lima	27.54km
1:40pm		Service/tyre change, Exponor	30 minutes
3:25pm	SS5	Viana do Castelo	26.73km
4:30pm	SS6	Caminha	18.11km
5:03pm	SS7	Ponta de Lima	27.54km
7:03pm	SS8	Porto Street Stage	1.85km
7:28pm	SS9	Porto Street Stage	1.85km
8:10pm		Service, Exponor	45 minutes

SATURDAY, MAY 19

7:15am		Service/tyre change, Exponor	15 minutes
9:08am	SS10	Vieira do Minutesho	17.50km
9:46am	SS11	Cabeceiras de Basto	22.22km
11:05am	SS12	Amarante	37.60km
1:00pm		Service/tyre change, Exponor	30 minutes
3:08pm	SS13	Vieira do Minutesho	17.38km
3:46pm	SS14	Cabeceiras de Basto	22.22km
5:05pm	SS15	Amarante	37.60km
7:00pm		Service, Exponor	45 minutes

SUNDAY, MAY 20

7:00am		Service/tyre change, Exponor	15 minutes
8:35am	SS16	Montim	8.64km
9:08am	SS17	Fafe	11.18km
9:36am	SS18	Luilhas	11.89km
10:35am	SS19	Montim	8.64km
12:18pm	SS20	Fafe	11.18km
1:50pm		Service, Exponor	10 minutes
2:20pm		Podium ceremony, Matosinhos	

TIME (GMT+1) - SOURCE: WRC.COM - INFORMATION SUBJECT TO CHANGE





ARNAUD RÉMY,
Manager, WRC Programme,
Michelin Motorsport

"The Rally de Portugal is one of the cornerstone rounds of the World Rally Championship, in much the same way as events like the Monte-Carlo or Rally Finland. Its headquarters returned to Porto in 2015 and its stages include classics like 'Fafe' and 'Ponte de Lima'. The route takes competitors through forested mountains and the stages tend to be varied and technical. They are also littered with an occasionally thick coating of loose gravel which can be a handicap for the first crews on the road. The hard-packed base is more exposed second time through and that, along with the heat and stones, makes the repeat loops tough on tyres."

MICHELIN TYRES FOR THE 2018 RALLY DE PORTUGAL

WRC: MICHELIN LTX FORCE



✓ ALLOCATION FOR WRC DRIVERS: 24 LTX FORCE S5s AND 16 H4s

✓ A SINGLE TYPE OF COMPOUND AUTHORISED FOR SHAKEDOWN (NOT INCLUDED IN ABOVE ALLOCATION)

MICHELIN AND THE RALLY DE PORTUGAL

Michelin has won the Rally de Portugal **21 TIMES** as a WRC round

There was a gap of 10 years between Michelin's first and second Rally de Portugal victory!

Michelin has won the Rally de Portugal with nine different car manufacturers

Lancia/Michelin monopolised the top five in Portugal in 1990

The 1993 Rally de Portugal saw Michelin win all 37 stages



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2018 FORMAT

The 2018 route
is almost identical to 2017

Only the super-special in the streets
of Porto is new this year,
but it was organised in 2016

'Amarante' (37.60km)
is the rally's longest stage

FLASHBACK TO 2017

WINNERS:

Sébastien Ogier/Julien Ingrassia
(Ford Fiesta RS WRC/Michelin)



STAGE WINNERS:

Ogier (5), Neuville and Paddon
(4), Tanak (3), Ostberg (2), Meeke,
Sordo, Latvala and Breen (1)

LEADERS:

Ostberg (SS1), Paddon (SS2), Latvala
(SS3-SS4), Meeke (SS5), Tanak (SS6-
SS11), Ogier (SS12-SS19)

- ✓ Ogier takes fifth Rally de Portugal victory to equal Markku Alèn's record
- ✓ Ogier also establishes a new record for the highest number of WRC points scored (1,645)
- ✓ Nine different stage winners and six different rally leaders
- ✓ The 'Ponte de Lima' stage eliminated Paddon, Latvala and Meeke

RALLY DE PORTUGAL TRIVIA

Rally de Portugal is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year

Rally de Portugal was a mixed-surface asphalt/gravel event until 1991
In 2007, Rally de Portugal returned to the WRC fold after a six-year absence
with a new-look event in the country's Algarve region, in the south

In 2015, Rally de Portugal returned to the Porto region

This year is the 39th Rally de Portugal to count as a WRC qualifier
Joaquim Moutinho is the only Portuguese driver to have won a WRC round
Fiat and Lancia have both won Rally de Portugal six times as a WRC round

RALLY DE PORTUGAL INFO

Although the rally is based in the northern Porto suburb of Matosinhos,
the spectator street stage takes place in Porto this year

Porto sits on the estuary of the Douro River and the Atlantic coast.

The greater Porto region has a population of almost two million
Porto's fortune is founded on its famous fortified port wine which
is made by adding distilled grape spirit to halt fermentation.

This year's start ceremony is in Guimarães, considered to be the birth
place of the Portuguese nation which was founded 890 years ago
after the Battle of Sao Mamede in 1128.

DOWN MEMORY LANE



One-two glory for Alpine/Michelin in Portugal in 1973

Forty-five years ago, Michelin runners monopolised the Rallye TAP Internacional podium thanks to Alpine-Renault's Thérier and Nicolas and Citroën driver Romãozinho.

The 1973 Rally de Portugal was organised in March for the first time and began with a Concentration Run, like the original Rallye Monte-Carlo format. Competitors started from 11 different European countries and met up in Coimbra for a menu of four legs and 32 mixed-surface stages (asphalt and gravel).

The competition was dominated by the agile Alpine-Renaults and Bernard Darniche emerged as the early leader. By the start of the final leg in Viana do Castelo, he had pulled out a two-minute margin before a puncture forced him to stop and change wheels. Although he only dropped a minute-and-a-half in the process, his differential had been damaged and he retired shortly afterwards.

Jean-Luc Thérier went on to collect his first world class win, ahead of team-mate Jean-Pierre Nicolas and Portugal's Francisco Romãozinho (Citroën DS23). Only 19 of the 79 starters reached the finish in Estoril.



ENTRY LIST

M-SPORT FORD WORLD RALLY TEAM WRC

1 **OGIER Sébastien / INGRASSIA Julien** FRA / FRA 
FORD FIESTA WRC

M-SPORT FORD WORLD RALLY TEAM WRC

2 **EVANS Elfyn / BARRITT Daniel** GBR / GBR 
FORD FIESTA WRC

M-SPORT FORD WORLD RALLY TEAM WRC

3 **SUNINEN Teemu / MARKKULA Mikko** FIN / FIN 
FORD FIESTA WRC

HYUNDAI SHELL MOBIS WRT WRC

4 **MIKKELSEN Andreas / JAEGER Anders** NOR / NOR 
HYUNDAI i20 COUPE WRC

HYUNDAI SHELL MOBIS WRT WRC

5 **NEUVILLE Thierry / GILSOUL Nicolas** BEL / BEL 
HYUNDAI i20 COUPE WRC

HYUNDAI SHELL MOBIS WRT WRC

6 **SORDO Dani / DEL BARRIO Carlos** ESP / ESP 
HYUNDAI i20 COUPE WRC

TOYOTA GAZOO RACING WRT WRC

7 **LATVALA Jari-Matti / ANTTILA Miikka** FIN / FIN 
TOYOTA YARIS WRC

TOYOTA GAZOO RACING WRT WRC

8 **TÄNAK Ott / JÄRVEOJA Martin** EST / EST 
TOYOTA YARIS WRC

TOYOTA GAZOO RACING WRC WRC

9 **LAPPI Esapekka / FERM Janne** FIN / FIN 
TOYOTA YARIS WRC

CITROEN TOTAL ABU DHABI WRT WRC

10 **MEEKE Kris / NAGLE Paul** GBR / IRL 
CITROEN C3 WRC

CITROEN TOTAL ABU DHABI WRT WRC

11 **BREEN Craig / MARTIN Scott** IRL / GBR 
CITROEN C3 WRC

CITROEN TOTAL ABU DHABI WRT WRC

12 **ØSTBERG Mads / ERIKSEN Torstein** NOR / NOR 
CITROEN C3 WRC

HYUNDAI SHELL MOBIS WRT WRC

PADDON Hayden / MARSHALL Sebastian NZL / GBR 
HYUNDAI i20 COUPE WRC

YAZEED RACING WRC

AL RAJHI Yazeed / ORR Michael KSA / GBR 
FORD FIESTA WRC








 **THE COMPLETE
ENTRY LIST
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DRIVERS' STANDINGS

		 Monte-Carlo 25/01 > 28/01	 Sweden 15/02 > 18/02	 Mexico 8/03 > 11/03	 France 5/04 > 8/04	 Argentina 26/04 > 29/04	 Portugal 17/05 > 20/05	 Italy 7/06 > 10/06	 Finland 26/07 > 29/07	 Germany 16/08 > 19/08	 Turkey 13/09 > 16/09	 Britain 4/10 > 7/10	 Spain 25/10 > 28/10	 Australia 15/11 > 18/11	TOTAL
1	SÉBASTIEN OGIER 	25+1 (1.)	1+4 (10.)	25+0 (1.)	25+3 (1.)	12+4 (4.)									100
2	THIERRY NEUVILLE 	10+4 (5.)	25+2 (1.)	8+3 (6.)	15 (3.)	18+5 (2.)									90
3	OTT TÄNAK 	18+0 (2.)	2+1 (9.)	0+5 (14.)	18+1 (2.)	25+2 (1.)									72
4	ANDREAS MIKKELSEN 	0+3 (14.)	15+3 (3.)	12+2 (4.)	6 (7.)	10+3 (5.)									54
5	DANI SORDO 	- (-.)	- (-.)	18+0 (2.)	12 (4.)	15 (3.)									45
6	KRIS MEEKE 	12+5 (4.)	0 (R.)	15+0 (3.)	2+2 (9.)	6+1 (7.)									43
7	ESAPEKKA LAPPI 	6+0 (7.)	12+5 (4.)	- (-.)	8+5 (6.)	4 (8.)									40
8	JARI-MATTI LATVALA 	15+2 (3.)	6+0 (7.)	4+4 (8.)	- (-.)										31
9	ELFYN EVANS 	8+0 (6.)	0 (14.)	- (-.)	10 (5.)	8 (6.)									26
10	CRAIG BREEN 	2+0 (9.)	18+0 (2.)	- (-.)	- (-.)										20
11	SÉBASTIEN LOEB 	- (-.)	- (-.)	10+1 (5.)	0+4 (14.)										15
12	HAYDEN PADDON 	- (-.)	10+0 (5.)	- (-.)	- (-.)										10

WRC2 DRIVERS

1.	Pontus TIDEMAND 	68 pts
2.	Jan KOPECKY 	50 pts
3.	Gus GREENSMITH 	36 pts
4.	Pedro HELLER 	30 pts
5.	Takamoto KATSUTA 	29 pts

MANUFACTURERS

1.	Hyundai Shell Mobis WRT	144 pts
2.	M-Sport Ford World Rally Team	129 pts
3.	Toyota Gazoo Racing WRT	124 pts
4.	Citroën-Total Abu Dhabi WRT	93 pts



MICHELIN WRC RANGE 2018 SEASON

ASPHALT TYRES: MICHELIN PILOT SPORT



H5 (HARD COMPOUND)

Size: 20/65-18
Conditions: dry stages



S6 (SOFT COMPOUND)

Size: 20/65-18
Conditions: wet, cold conditions



SS6 (SUPER SOFT COMPOUND)

Size: 20/65-18
Conditions: icy, frosty, damp, cold conditions



FW3 (FULL WET)

Size: 18/65-18
Conditions: showers, standing water or heavy rain

GRAVEL TYRES: MICHELIN LTX FORCE



H4 (HARD COMPOUND)

Size: 17/65-15
Conditions: rough, rocky, abrasive surfaces



S5 (SOFT COMPOUND)

Size: 17/65-15
Conditions: smooth, loose surfaces, mud

WINTRY ASPHALT: MICHELIN PILOT ALPIN A4



NON-STUDED



STUDED

Size: 18/65-18
Conditions: ice and/or snow

SNOW/ICE TYRE: MICHELIN X-ICE NORTH



X-ICE NORTH 3

Size: 15/65-15
Conditions: ice and/or snow

WRC TYRE-RELATED REGULATIONS

- ✓ The FIA has registered three different tyre manufacturers for the 2018 WRC: Michelin, DMack and Pirelli
- ✓ Car manufacturers must register the tyre brand they have chosen with the FIA
- ✓ Only moulded tyres are authorised
- ✓ Tyres must be identifiable by a barcode and RFID chip
- ✓ Re-cutting or otherwise modifying the tread pattern is not permitted
- ✓ Only marked tyres are allowed to be used on stages
- ✓ Tyre pre-heating systems are prohibited
- ✓ Cars may carry up to two spares
- ✓ Tyres may only be inflated using air
- ✓ Only one type of dry-weather asphalt tyre (construction + pattern) and two compound options are authorised for the season
- ✓ Just one type of asphalt rain tyre is authorised (except Rallye Monte Carlo where a snow tyre is available instead of a rain tyre)
- ✓ Only one type of gravel tyre (construction + tread pattern) and two compound options (three from Rally Finland) are authorised for the season (choice of two compounds per event)
- ✓ Sweden: A single type of snow/ice tyre (one compound only) to be fitted to 7x15-inch rims
- ✓ Two 'joker' changes (one asphalt / one gravel) are allowed per manufacturer in the course of the season
- ✓ WRC: Tyre quotas per event for priority drivers are calculated on the basis of four tyres per tyre-change opportunity + four spares (plus four tyres for shakedown)
- ✓ WRC2: Tyre quotas per event for priority drivers are calculated on the basis of four tyres per tyre-change opportunity + two spares (plus four tyres for shakedown)