



2019 World Golf Championships-Mexico Championship
(17th of 46 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Mexico City, Mexico
Club de Golf Chapultepec

February 21-24, 2019

Purse: \$10,250,000 (\$1,745,000)

Par/Yards: 35-36—71/7,345

FedExCup Points: 550 (winner)

Third-Round Notes – Saturday, February 23, 2019

Weather: Partly cloudy, with a high of 79. Wind SE at 5-10 mph.

Third-Round Leaderboard

Dustin Johnson	64-67-66—197 (-16)
Rory McIlroy	63-70-68—201 (-12)
Patrick Reed	72-68-64—204 (-9)
Patrick Cantlay	72-67-65—204 (-9)
Sergio Garcia	69-66-69—204 (-9)
Cameron Smith	69-67-68—204 (-9)

Things to Know

- Johnson carded his 10th consecutive round in the 60s at Club de Golf Chapultepec with his 5-under 66
- Johnson has converted seven of previous 15 54-hole leads including his last three. His four-stroke lead is his third-largest 54-hole margin.
- Seven of Rory McIlroy's 13 PGA TOUR stroke-play titles were won from behind in the final round
- Reed carded a 7-under 64 for the low round of the day that included two eagles
- Garcia is seeking first official World Golf Championships title and first-ever for a Spaniard

Third-Round Lead Notes

- 11 Third-round leaders/co-leaders at WGC-Mexico Championship to win since 1999. Most recent: Patrick Reed/2014
- 9 Third-round leaders/co-leaders to win on TOUR this season. Most recent: Rickie Fowler/Waste Management Phoenix Open
- 194 54-hole tournament record: 19-under/Tiger Woods/2006
- 6 Largest 54-hole lead in tournament history: Tiger Woods/2006

Comparing the final-round final grouping (entering the week)

	Dustin Johnson	Rory McIlroy	Patrick Reed
Age	34 (June 22, 1984)	29 (May 4, 1989)	28 (August 5, 1990)
FedExCup	57	36	51
OWGR	3	8	15
Starts at WGC-Mexico	10	9	5
Top-10s at WGC-Mexico	5 (Won in 2015, '17)	6	1 (Won in 2014)
PGA TOUR starts	245	153	184
PGA TOUR wins	19	14	6
Starts in 2018-19	4	4	5
Top-10s in 2018-19	2	3	1

Dustin Johnson (-16/1st)

- An eagle at the par-4 second hole and five birdies highlighted a 5-under 66 for his 10th consecutive round in the 60s at Club de Golf Chapultepec
- Made a double bogey on the par-4 10th hole to snap a streak of 57 bogey-free holes at Club de Golf Chapultepec dating to the par-5 6th hole during the final round in 2018. The double bogey marked his 74th round (since 2008) when making a double bogey or worse when shooting under par

- Holds 54-hole lead/co-lead on the PGA TOUR for the 16th time when tournaments have completed 72 holes (won three weather-shortened 54-hole events), most recently at the 2018 RBC Canadian Open (1st). Gone on to win seven of previous 15 times, including his last three
- 54-hole total of 197 ties the second-lowest score in tournament history (Tiger Woods/194/2006)
- Hit his tee shot on the 367-yard par-4 second hole to 4 feet and converted the eagle. Drove the green for the second time this week (R1) and is one of five players to accomplish the feat. Matt Wallace is the only other player in the field to make eagle after driving the second green.
- Needed only 27 putts in the third round and matched his round-one total. Leads the field in Strokes Gained: Putting (+5.478)
- Seeking to join Tiger Woods as the only players to win a World Golf Championships event three times
- Owns the second-most World Golf Championships titles (5) and is the only player to win all four WGC events
- A victory would extend his streak of winning at least one PGA TOUR event to 12 consecutive seasons, dating to his rookie season in 2008, the longest active streak on TOUR
- Making 11th appearance at the WGC-Mexico Championship and counts 2017 and 2015 victories among five top-10s in 10 starts
- Has two top-10 finishes in four starts this season (T4/Sentry Tournament of Champions, T9/Genesis Open)

Rory McIlroy (-12/2nd)

- Turned in even par before collecting four birdies to just one bogey on the back nine for a 3-under 68
- Looking to become the fifth player with three or more World Golf Championships titles
- Seven of his 13 PGA TOUR stroke-play titles took place when coming from behind in the final round. Largest final-round comeback is six strokes (2016 Dell Technologies Championship)
- Needed just 25 putts in the third round after recording 29 and 32 putts in the first and second rounds, respectively
- Six top-10s in nine previous appearances at WGC-Mexico Championship, including T7 in 2017 at Chapultepec
- Three top-five results in four starts this season (T54/WGC-HSBC Champions, T4/Sentry Tournament of Champions, T5/Farmers Insurance Open, T4/Genesis Open)

Sergio Garcia (-9/T3)

- Collected five birdies and three bogeys en route to a 2-under 69
- With 10 PGA TOUR wins, remains in search of his first official World Golf Championships title while making his 56th official appearance in a WGC event
- A win would make him the first Spaniard to win a World Golf Championships title
- Owns second-most top-10 finishes in the WGC-Mexico Championship (8), trailing only Tiger Woods (12)
- Of eight top-10s in 18 previous appearances in this event, three have been T3 results (2005, 2007, 2013)

Patrick Reed (-9/T3)

- Carded a 7-under 64 for the low round of the day that included eagles on the par-4 second and par-5 11th
- Has one World Golf Championships title at the 2014 WGC-Mexico Championship when it was contested at Trump National Doral
- Six-time PGA TOUR winner is in search of his first victory since the 2018 Masters
- Has collected one top-10 finish in five starts this season (T7/WGC-HSBC Champions)

Patrick Cantlay (-9/T3)

- Made the turn in 1-under before rattling off birdie, eagle, birdie, par, birdie from Nos. 11-15 and finish with a 6-under 65
- Hit his tee shot to 3 feet, 2 inches on the 395-yard par-4 12th hole and holed the putt for eagle
- Three top-10 finishes in six starts this season, including a runner-up result at the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open, the site of his lone PGA TOUR victory in 2017
- Looking to improve upon his best finish in a stroke-play World Golf Championships event (T6/2018 WGC-FedEx St. Jude Invitational)

Cameron Smith (-9/T3)

- One of 16 players making his first WGC-Mexico Championship appearance
- Converted four birdies to just one bogey for a 3-under 69
- Best finish to date in a WGC is a T5 at the 2018 WGC-Dell Technologies Match Play where he advanced to the quarterfinals before being defeated by Alex Noren
- Has one career PGA TOUR title at the 2017 Zurich Classic of New Orleans with partner Jonas Blixt

Tiger Woods (-6/T9)

- Birdied his first two holes of the round but played the following 16 holes in 1-over to post a 1-under 71 for the round
- Four-putted the par-5 15th green and three-putted the par-4 16th green. Marks the first time in his career he has four-putted and three-putted in back-to-back holes, a stretch of 22,640 holes in stroke-play events before reaching the par-5 15th today
- Hit 16/18 greens in the third round after hitting 13/18 greens in both the first and second rounds.

Miscellaneous Notes

- Johnson has collected the most World Golf Championships FedExCup points (3,819) since the 2013-14 PGA TOUR Season and is trailed by Bubba Watson (2,797)
- Mexico's highest-ranked player Abraham Ancer sits T41 after rounds of 71-72-71
- Three players are making their first start in a World Golf Championships event – Jake McLeod (+2/T46), Aaron Rai (+2/T46), Eddie Pepperell (+8/62nd)
- FedExCup points leader, Xander Schauffele sits T13 after a 5-under 66 in the third round

Bogey-free rounds:

R1: (1) Dustin Johnson (67)

R2: (3) Phil Mickelson (65), Patrick Cantlay (67), Dustin Johnson (67)

R3: (1) Kevin Na (66)

Scoring Averages at Club de Golf Chapultepec:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	35.681	36.083	71.764	---
R2:	34.792	36.431	71.222	---
R3:	35.042	35.306	70.347	71.106