



2024 ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP
(5th of 8 FedExCup Fall events)

ACCORDIA GOLF Narashino CC
Chiba, Japan

October 24-27, 2024
Par/Yards: 34-36—70/7,079

FedExCup Points: 500 (winner)
Purse: \$8.5 million (\$1,530,000)

First-Round Notes – Thursday, October 24, 2024

Weather: Mostly cloudy. High of 76. Wind NE 6-12 mph.

First-Round Leaderboard

Pos.	Player	Total
1	Taylor Moore	63 (-7)
T2	Max Greyserman	64 (-6)
T2	Nico Echavarria	64 (-6)
T2	Eric Cole	64 (-6)
T5	C.T. Pan	65 (-5)
T5	Kevin Yu	65 (-5)

Taylor Moore (1st/-7)

- Ties career-best 18-hole score on TOUR (R4/2023 Wyndham Championship/T22)
- 63 marks his career-low opening-round score and matches tournament first-round score (Hiroshi Iwata/2021)
- Holds first-round lead/co-lead for the third time on TOUR and second this season (2023 Rocket Mortgage Classic/T4, 2024 Texas Children’s Houston Open/T2)
- Enters the week at No. 67 in the FedExCup standings and is currently projected No. 51
- Making third start at the ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP (T12/2022, T21/2023)
- Leads the field in Strokes Gained: Around The Green (2.979)
- Two top-10 finishes in 26 starts this season (T2/Texas Children's Houston Open, T10/Rocket Mortgage Classic)
- Earned first PGA TOUR victory at the 2023 Valspar Championship

Miscellaneous Notes

- The 2024 ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP marks the sixth playing of the event (established in 2019), the only PGA TOUR event played in Japan. It is the fifth event in the FedExCup Fall and will feature a 78-man field and the only FedExCup Fall event to not have a 36-hole cut
- Making his first start since qualifying for the FedExCup Playoffs in his rookie season and advanced to the BMW Championship, **Max Greyserman** (T2/-6) seeks to become the event’s first first-time winner
- Making his first start at ACCORDIA GOLF Narashino CC since 2019 where he finished T17 in the inaugural tournament, **Justin Thomas** (T7) opens with a 4-under 66; 15-time PGA TOUR winner has won four times in Asia – twice each in Malaysia (2015, 2016 CIMB Classic) and Korea (2017, 2019 THE CJ CUP @ NINE BRIDGES)
- Defending champion **Collin Morikawa** (T35) opens with 1-under 69; seeks to become the first player to successfully defend his title at the ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP
- Ehime, Japan native and 2021 winner **Hideki Matsuyama** cards a first-round 71 and stands T53
- After a quadruple-bogey on No. 9, the highest-ranked player in the field at No. 2 in the Official World Golf Ranking **Xander Schauffele** (T70) cards a 3-over 73
- The ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP is co-sanctioned with the Japan Golf Tour Organization (JGTO) with a total of 14 JGTO members in the field; first-round scores of JGTO players: Shugo Imahira (66), Takumi Kanaya (66), Ryosuke Kinoshita (66), Taisei Shimizu (66), Ryo Ishikawa (68), Naoyuki Kataoka (68), Yuta Sugiura (68), Kensei Hirata (69), Yuto Katsuragawa (69), Hiroshi Iwata (71), Ren Yonezawa (71), Takahiro Hataji (72), Takashi Ogiso (74), Kaito Onishi (75)

FedExCup Fall Notes

- Nos. 1-50 in the FedExCup standings through the TOUR Championship are locked in their positions, while Nos. 51 and beyond carry their FedExCup points into the Fall; Nos. 51-60 through the FedExCup Fall will qualify for two Signature Events in 2024: AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, The Genesis Invitational
 - Currently projected to move into Nos. 51-60: Taylor Moore (1st; No. 67 to No. 51)
 - Currently projected to move out of Nos. 51-60: Jake Knapp (Not in field; No. 59 to No. 62)
- The Top 125 will be exempt into all Full-Field events and THE PLAYERS next season and Nos. 126-150 will earn full Korn Ferry Tour status and conditional status on TOUR next season
 - No players are currently projected to move into The Top 125