



2025 Puerto Rico Open
(11th of 36 FedExCup Regular Season events)

Rio Grande, Puerto Rico
Grand Reserve Golf Club

March 6-9, 2025
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,506

FedExCup points: 300 (winner)
Purse: \$4 million (\$720,000/winner)

COMPLETED First-Round Notes – Friday, March 7, 2025

***Weather:** Partly cloudy. High of 85. Wind SSE 3-12 mph, gusting to 15 mph. Preferred lies were in effect for round one.*

***Suspension summary:** Round one was suspended Thursday from 12:27 to 1:44 p.m. local time due to rain. Due to darkness, round one was suspended for the day at 6:32 p.m. with 18 players still needing to complete their rounds. Round one resumed Friday at 6:59 a.m. and was completed at 7:55 a.m.*

First-Round Leaderboard

Pos.	Player	R1
1	Kevin Roy	62 (-10)
2	Chris Gotterup	63 (-9)
T3	Rasmus Neergaard-Petersen	64 (-8)
T3	Davis Riley	64 (-8)
T5	Karl Vilips	65 (-7)
T5	Jeremy Paul	65 (-7)
T5	William Mouw	65 (-7)

Kevin Roy (1st/-10)

- Records career-low 18-hole score on TOUR (96 rounds) with a 10-under 62
- Secures his first career lead/co-lead after any round on TOUR in his 38th career start
- Ties Jhonattan Vegas (R4/2020) for the lowest 18-hole score in Puerto Rico Open history
- Led all players with 11 birdies; lone bogey came at the 411-yard par-4 eighth hole
- Making his second career start at the Puerto Rico Open (2023/T33)
- In five starts this season, has two top-25 finishes (T18/The American Express, T17/Mexico Open at VidantaWorld)
- Currently sits No. 95 in the 2025 FedExCup standings
- In 37 career starts on TOUR, has totaled six top-25 finishes and one top-10 (T8/2023 Butterfield Bermuda Championship)
- Earned 2025 PGA TOUR membership by finishing No. 13 on the 2024 Korn Ferry Tour Points List

Miscellaneous Notes

- In his 48th career start on TOUR, **Chris Gotterup** (2nd/-9) opens with a career-low 63; his previous best of 64 came at the 2024 ONEflight Myrtle Beach Classic (R2), which he went on to win by six strokes for his first career PGA TOUR title
 - As a senior at the University of Oklahoma, Gotterup won the 2022 Puerto Rico Classic collegiate event at Grand Reserve Golf Club; with the win, Gotterup earned an exemption in the 2022 Puerto Rico Open (finished T7), which marked his first career start on TOUR
- Making his PGA TOUR debut, Denmark's **Rasmus Neergaard-Petersen** sits T3 after a bogey-free 8-under 64; last year, he earned three victories on the HotelPlanner Tour to earn immediate promotion to the DP World Tour; in six starts on the DP World Tour this year, he has three top-10 finishes, including one runner-up (Commercial Bank Qatar Masters)
- **Davis Riley** (T3/-8) cards a first-round bogey-free 64 for the second consecutive week after doing so at last week's Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches (finished T48)
- PGA TOUR rookies **Karl Vilips**, **Jeremy Paul** and **William Mouw** sit in a three-way T5 at 7-under par; each player earned 2025 PGA TOUR membership via the 2024 Korn Ferry Tour Points List
 - **Vilips** turned professional last year after graduating from Stanford University and in 10 Korn Ferry Tour starts last season, he recorded seven top-25 finishes, including a win in his fourth start as a professional (Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank and Intermountain Health)
- **Garrick Higgo** (T8/-6) records a first-round 66 for the second straight year at the Puerto Rico Open (finished T32 in 2024)
- Defending champion **Brice Garnett** opens with a first-round 70 and sits T72