



2026 ISCO Championship
(29th of 34 events in the FedExCup Regular Season)

Louisville, Kentucky
Hurstbourne Country Club

July 9-12, 2026
Par/Yards: 35-35—70/7,056

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

First-Round Notes – Thursday, July 9, 2026

Weather: Partly cloudy. High of 89. Wind SW 6-12 mph, gusting to 18 mph.

First-Round Leaderboard

Pos.	Player	R1
T1	Steven Fisk	63 (-7)
T1	Stephen Jaeger	63 (-7)
T1	Lucas Glover	63 (-7)
T1	Troy Merritt	63 (-7)
T5	Pontus Nyholm	64 (-6)
T5	Chan Kim	64 (-6)

Four players tied for the 18-hole lead

- Marks the sixth time in the last 10 events on TOUR that four or more players are tied for the 18-hole lead (including five at this week's Genesis Scottish Open)
- Four players ties the most players to share the 18-hole lead at the ISCO Championship (2017, 2026)

Steven Fisk (T1/-7)

- Begins with a bogey at No. 1 and follows with eight birdies, including five consecutive birdies on Nos. 2-6, en route to 7-under 63, his career low in 139 rounds on TOUR; equals career-best birdie streak (5/2024 RSM Classic/R2)
- Holds first 18-hole lead/co-lead on TOUR
- Seeks second PGA TOUR title in his 45th start (2025 Sanderson Farms Championship)
- One top-10 in 16 starts this season (T10/Charles Schwab Challenge)
- Finished T28 in the 2025 ISCO Championship, his only prior appearance in this event
- Enters this week No. 99 in the FedExCup standings

Stephan Jaeger (T1/-7)

- Bogey-free 7-under 63 marks his low round this season
- Holds fifth 18-hole lead/co-lead on TOUR; 0-for-4 to date; most recent: 2026 PGA Championship (T18)
- Winner of the 2024 Texas Children's Houston Open seeks second TOUR title in his 195th start
- Three top-10s in 16 starts this season (T5/Farmers Insurance Open, T7/Valspar Championship, T9/CJ CUP Byron Nelson)
- Owns two top-25 finishes in three prior appearances at this event (T21/2018, T22/2019, MC/2021)
- Enters this week No. 75 in the FedExCup standings

Lucas Glover (T1/-7)

- Bogey-free 7-under 63 marks his eighth consecutive sub-70 round on TOUR; also opened with a 63 last week at the John Deere Classic en route to a T3 finish (his lone top-10 in 16 prior starts this season)
- Opened with 63 for the solo lead en route to a fifth-place finish in his only prior appearance at this event (2023)
- Holds 18-hole lead/co-lead for the 10th time on TOUR; 0-for-9 to date; most recent: 2026 John Deere Classic (T3)
- Held at least a share of the lead after four of his last five rounds on TOUR (held 18-, 36- and 54-hole lead/co-lead at last week's John Deere Classic before finishing T3)
- Marks first time finishing inside the top five through 18 holes in back-to-back stroke-play starts on TOUR since 2011: 2011 Truist Championship (T4), 2011 PLAYERS Championship (2nd)
- Tied with Max Homa for most PGA TOUR victories by any player in the field this week (6)

Troy Merritt (T1/-7)

- Posts lowest round on TOUR since 2024 CJ CUP Byron Nelson (62/R2), site of his most recent top-10 on TOUR (T9)
- Holds fifth 18-hole lead/co-lead on TOUR; 1-for-4 to date (2018 ISCO Championship)

- Back-nine 29 (-6) marks the first sub-30 at Hurstbourne CC since the event relocated here in 2025
- 2018 ISCO Championship winner makes his seventh appearance at this event; made the cut in five of six prior appearances
- T21 at last week's John Deere Classic marks his best result in five starts this season; finished T5 the week prior at the Memorial Health Championship presented by LRS for his best finish in eight Korn Ferry Tour starts this season
- Seeks third PGA TOUR win: 2015 Quicken Loans National, 2018 ISCO Championship

Additional Player Notes

- PGA TOUR rookie from Sweden **Pontus Nyholm** (T5/-6) posts a bogey-free 6-under 64 for his lowest round on TOUR; earned a PGA TOUR card after finishing in the top 20 of the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List
- **Chan Kim** (T5/-6) held the solo lead after 18 holes at this event last year, eventually finishing T14; finished T10 in his tournament debut in 2024
- 23-year-old **Ben James** (T7/-5) is making his fourth PGA TOUR start as a professional after finishing as the No. 1 player in the 2026 PGA TOUR University Ranking (T54/RBC Canadian Open, T23/U.S. Open, T62/Travelers Championship)
- Notable players:
 - **Cooper Musselman** (T13/-4) – Louisville, Kentucky native playing on sponsor exemption
 - **Adam Hadwin** (T24/-3) – former University of Louisville golfer (2005-09)
 - **Max Homa** (T24/-3) – six-time PGA TOUR winner
 - **Jackson Koivun** (T24/-3) – second event as a professional
 - **Preston Stout** (T45/-2) – 2026 NCAA individual champion
 - **William Mouw** (T45/-2) – defending champion
 - **Miles Russell** (T97/+1) – 17-year-old amateur standout
- With eagles on Nos. 8 and 10, **Sam Bairstow** (T24/-3) becomes the first player to have multiple eagles in a round at Hurstbourne Country Club
- **James Morrison** withdrew ahead of the first round and was replaced by **Rocco Repetto Taylor** (T112/+2); **Daniel Gavins** withdrew with an injury after the first round