



2026 Travelers Championship
(26th of 34 events in the FedExCup Regular Season)

Cromwell, Connecticut
TPC River Highlands

June 25-28, 2026
Par/Yards: 35-35—70/6,844 yards

FedExCup points: 700 (winner)
Purse: \$20 million/\$3.6 million

First-Round Notes – Thursday, June 25, 2026

Thursday: Partly cloudy. High of 82. Wind SW 6-12 mph.

First-Round Leaderboard

Pos.	Player	Total
1	Eric Cole	63 (-7)
T2	Nico Echavarria	64 (-6)
T2	Ben Griffin	64 (-6)
T2	Matt Fitzpatrick	64 (-6)
T2	Kristoffer Reitan	64 (-6)
T2	Bud Cauley	64 (-6)
T2	Scottie Scheffler	64 (-6)

Eric Cole (1st/-7)

- Posts bogey-free 7-under 63 to equal his best round of the season (Charles Schwab Challenge/R3)
- Ranked among the top-4 after the first round in the following Strokes Gained categories: Tee to Green (1st/4.547), Approach the Green (2nd/2.876), Around the Green (4th/1.443)
- Holds the first-round lead/co-lead for the fourth time (first in outright fashion); 0-for-3 to date converting to victory
 - Most recently shared the first-round lead two weeks ago at the RBC Canadian Open; followed up a 64 in round one with a 76 to become the first player to hold at least a share of the 18-hole lead and go on to miss the cut since Jordan Spieth at the 2023 Sony Open in Hawaii
- Seeking his first PGA TOUR victory in his 123rd start; three runner-up finishes (2023 Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches/P2, 2023 Baycurrent Classic/T2, 2026 Charles Schwab Challenge/P2)
- Season includes four-top 10 finishes in 16 starts, led by a playoff loss to Russell Henley at the Charles Schwab Challenge
- Making his fourth start at the Travelers Championship (T24/2023, T48/2024, WD/2025); after rounds of 68-67-69, entered the final round in 2025 at T14 before withdrawing prior to the round with an illness

Scottie Scheffler (T2/-6)

- World No. 1 and 2024 Travelers Championship winner opens with a bogey-free 6-under 64 in his seventh start at the event
- Marks his 83rd bogey-free round, the most of any player on the PGA TOUR since 2019
- First-round scoring average at TPC River Highlands is 65.86
- FedExCup leader and 20-time TOUR winner in search of his second victory of the season (The American Express)

Additional Notes

- Two weeks after capturing his first PGA TOUR victory at the RBC Canadian Open, **Bud Cauley** (T2/-6) posts a bogey-free 6-under 64; second-lowest score in 28 rounds at TPC River Highlands (63/R1/2014)
- The season's only three-time winner **Matt Fitzpatrick** (T2/-6) posts a 6-under 64; has improved in each of his four prior Travelers Championship starts (MC/2020, T49/2023, T36/2024, T17/2025)
- 2023 and 2025 Travelers Championship winner **Keegan Bradley** (T20/-3) opens with a 3-under 67 in bid to become the first player since Phil Mickelson (2001-2002) to win consecutive Travelers Championship titles; opened with a 62 and 64, respectively, en route to his wins in 2023 and 2025
- **Wyndham Clark** (T32/-2) seeks to become the first player to win a major championship and then a PGA TOUR event the following week since Scottie Scheffler (2024 Masters Tournament, 2024 RBC Heritage)
- Milford, Connecticut native **Ben James** (T32/-2), who earned PGA TOUR membership as the No. 1 player from the 2026 PGA TOUR University Ranking, opens with a 2-under 68 in his first Travelers Championship start as a professional and third overall; missed the cut as an amateur in 2022 and 2023 at TPC River Highlands
- 67.961 marks the lowest first-round scoring average of the season (previous: 68.288/The American Express)