

ROUND 4 INTERVIEW
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ALEX SMALLEY (-10)

Q. Alex, really good final round 64, if we can get some comments.

ALEX SMALLEY: Yeah, I was a little upset with how I finished the third round coming back out in the morning. My goal before the fourth round was to get to double digits, under par at the end of today and was able to birdie the last two to do that. I felt like I hit a lot of really good putts where the speed was just maybe a little too slow and it just broke a little too much at the end or it was just a little too fast and didn't quite break. Felt like I hit three or four edges in a row. But I hit the ball really well, finally figured out the driver today, was able to put it in play a little bit more. Wish I could have played a little bit better on Friday and Saturday, but very pleased with how I was able to do this week.

Q. Right now projected to move up a couple spots, every spot counts. Just talk a little bit about making this push hopefully the last three tournaments for you.

ALEX SMALLEY: Yeah, yeah. So I've been fortunate enough to have locked up my card somewhat early on in the season, halfway or two-thirds of the way through the season. I've had a couple good tournaments since then so I've kind of had to restructure my goals. Obviously the biggest goal of a rookie is to keep their card for next year. To do that so early, I kind of had to think of another one and I'm really shooting for that top 70 that gets me in all the invitationals next year. That finish on 8 and 9 certainly helped to have those two birdies, will get me a few more points, but I'll have to play well again next week to kind of solidify that top 70.

Q. And as you've done all week, just talk a little bit about what this tournament means to you.

ALEX SMALLEY: Yeah, anytime you can play a PGA Tour event in your home state is awesome, let alone at your home city or your home course. Felt like I hung in there most of the week. Had a lot of support, which was really nice to have a lot of guys yelling for me. My whole family was here as well. It was great end.