

**TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING POST-GAME NOTES**  
**Lightning 3 vs. Panthers 6 from AMALIE Arena**

	<b>1ST</b>	<b>2ND</b>	<b>3RD</b>	<b>FINAL</b>	<b>PP</b>
<b>Tampa Bay</b>	1	2	0	3	1-1
<b>Florida</b>	1	2	3	6	2-4

Post-game audio from Nick Paul, Victor Hedman and head coach Jon Cooper can be found on [soundcloud.com/tblightning](https://soundcloud.com/tblightning)

**Post-Game Notes**

- The Tampa Bay Lightning fell 6-3 to the Florida Panthers on Thursday night at AMALIE Arena.
- The Lightning moved to 4-2-0 in preseason play and 98-70-13 with 15 ties all-time.
- The Lightning were outshot for the fifth consecutive game, recording only 20 shots to Florida's 52.
- In the final two periods, the Panthers outshot the Bolts 40-12.
- Nikita Kucherov, Steven Stamkos and Brayden Point each took three shots on goal to lead the Lightning. Kucherov, Stamkos and Point finished the 2022-23 season ranking one, two and three for shots on goal.
- Lightning goaltender, Matt Tomkins stopped 46 of the 52 shots he faced as his record fell to 2-1-0 in the preseason.
- Haydn Fleury dished out three hits to pace the Bolts.
- The Lightning won 51% of the face offs and were led by Brayden Point (11-for-16) and Steven Stamkos (7-for-9).
- Darren Raddysh and Tyler Motte each blocked three shots, the most by any players in the game.
- The Lightning have scored a power-play goal in each game this preseason and have converted on eight of their 17 attempts (47.1%).
- Austin Watson dropped the gloves for the third time in his four preseason games in 2023.

- Victor Hedman opened the scoring, taking a slap shot from the left point at 2:54 of the first period.
- Austin Watson picked up his second point (1-1—2 pts.) of the preseason, tallying the primary assist on the game-opening goal.
- Gabriel Fortier also picked up an assist on the play, winning the faceoff to Watson before Hedman scored on a slap shot. The assist marked Fortier's first point of the preseason.
- Kevin Stenlund evened the score 1-1 at 5:04 of the first period. He was assisted by Evan Rodrigues and ex-Bolt, Carter Verhaeghe.
- Nikita Kucherov regained the lead for the Lightning, firing a wrist shot from the high circle for his second point of the preseason (2-0—2 pts.).
- Brayden Point picked up the lone assist on the play, winning the faceoff back to Kucherov who would score. The assist marked Point's second tally of the preseason (0-2—2 pts.).
- Eetu Luostarinen tied the game 2-2 on the power play at 10:59 of the second period.
- Steven Stamkos scored a power-play goal on a one-timer from the left circle at 13:01 of the second period to give Tampa Bay a 3-2 lead.
- Nick Paul and Nikita Kucherov each picked up assists on the play. Paul's assist marked his second point of the preseason (1-1—2 pts.) and Kucherov picked up his third point (2-1—3 pts.).
- Nick Cousins and the Panthers capitalized on a Lightning turnover to tie the game 3-3 at 14:17 of the second period.
- Justin Sourdif gave the Panthers a 4-3 lead, their first of the night at 10:07 of the third period.
- Ryan Lomberg scored 1:31 after Sourdif to extend Florida's lead to 5-3 in the third period.
- Kevin Stenlund deposited the puck into an empty net at 19:18 of the third period to make the score 6-3 Panthers.
- The Lightning will wrap up the preseason on Saturday night in Sunrise where they will take on the Florida Panthers (6:00pm puck drop).