

Nightmare on Center Street 24-hour Pinball Tournament 2025 Rules, and Code of Conduct

We will be spending 24 hours together in fairly close confines and while I am sure everyone attending this event is here with the intentions of having a wonderful time there are some guidelines that need to be expressed.

We are very lucky to have a venue that will accommodate this event and need to be mindful of that the entire time. Respect must be shown to any and all employees of Press Start Reno throughout this event. We will be using this venue during non-business hours and will be expected to clean up after ourselves and not leave a mess for staff. No one is allowed to be behind the bar during this event except employees and designated tournament assistants. Anyone caught behind the bar that is not authorized will be immediately disqualified and asked to leave the premises. Tournament fees are not refundable and will not be returned to any disqualified player or a player that chooses to leave on their own.

You are allowed to bring your own personal food and non-alcoholic drink for this event. You are only allowed to share store bought items in this public space, nothing homemade can be shared. You cannot bring outside purchased alcohol onto the premises. Please support the bar when you can.

There is no smoking or vaping allowed inside the building regardless of open status, there is outdoor space that will be available the entire tournament. No illicit drugs are allowed, if I see it consumed that will be grounds for immediate disqualification, and you will be asked to leave the venue. If you are overly intoxicated and causing a disruption to others a director or assistant has the right to ask you to take a break and get a hold of yourself in order to return to the competition.

Tournament Format and Rules:

Cost:

\$150.00 Tournament Registration: Registration Fee includes a T-Shirt, Commemorative Medallion (If Tournament Completed), Breakfast, and Lunch on Nov 2nd. 10/5/2025 is the last day you can register to guarantee your shirt size. **Unfortunately registration fees are non-refundable as these funds will be used to pay the vendors. Please be sure you will be able to attend before you register for the event.**

Qualifying:

We are playing in group match play for 16 hours. I will be setting the rounds accordingly. There will be 3 games per round., meaning you will play with the same people for three games then a new round will be created and you will play 3 games in that round and so on. Scoring for the qualifying rounds are IFPA (7,5,3,1). Once we get close to the 16 hours, the tournament director will decide if more (or less) rounds will be needed to complete qualifying and games will be adjusted accordingly. There will be a short intermission of 30 minutes (breakfast break) after qualifying in order to set up the tournament finals. Groups will be assigned random for the qualifying portion of the tournament

Finals:

The Finals will be split into 2 divisions. The A Division (Top half of players) and a B Division (Bottom half of players). We will be playing match play within your division for 8 hours. Scoring for the finals are IFPA (7,5,3,1). Once we get close to the end the tournament director will decide if more (or less) rounds will be needed to complete the 9 hours and the tournament will be adjusted accordingly. Groups will be assigned using tiered swiss pairing for the finals. Any player that is in the Top 1000 IFPA ranking at the start of the tournament cannot qualify for the B Division and must play in the A Division.

The maximum prize pool of \$3000.00 will be broken down as below (These numbers are based on 64 total players. The prize pool will be adjusted accordingly based on the total number of players. Over 30% of your entry fee is going to the prize pool):

A Division:

Winner: \$1000.00 & Trophy
2nd place: \$500.00 & Trophy
3rd place: \$300.00 & Trophy
4th place: \$200.00

B Division:

Winner: \$500.00 & Trophy
2nd place: \$300.00 & Trophy
3rd place: \$150.00 & Trophy
4th place: \$50.00

Medallions will be awarded to every player that competes in every round. So, if you miss a game in a round but still play the other games in the round you still qualify for the medallion. Any player that has zero points for a round will not receive a medallion. If any medallions remain after the conclusion of the tournament the director, solely at his discretion, may sell players medallions as tournament keepsakes (tournament players only).

When a round has been started and the games and players are posted to the large screen inside the venue you should make your way to the game and check in with the other players. If 1 or more players do not show up in a timely manner please get the attention of the director or an assistant to come help. The director or assistant will make an announcement calling for the player by name. At that point a 3 minute clock will start. If the player(s) have not made themselves known to the director or assistant before the 3 minutes are up the player will receive a zero for the game. If the player does not arrive in time to play their first ball they are not allowed to play subsequent balls. This process will repeat for every game in the round as a player can return to play in the next game in a round.

This is an IFPA event and the standard IFPA rules apply for this event.

As a reminder those rules include:

No coaching, no playing out of turn, and no Tilt-thrus. These infractions will earn you a zero for the game
If you win an extra ball, Full plunge and no flips, no nudges, no touching the game at all

You can self report your game scores and a tournament director will verify. Please confirm all scores with your competitors. Once your round has ended you will then have a break while the other players complete their rounds. There is no practice allowed between rounds. Once all the players have completed their games a new round will be created by the director and announced inside the venue. If you have any game issues during the event please get the attention of a director for assistance in making all rulings.

There will be 2 scheduled breaks during the tournament. We will have a breakfast and a lunch break on Sunday. These meals will be provided as part of your entry fee. The breaks will be no longer than 30 minutes.

Following is the code of conduct as listed on the IFPA website. This code of conduct is in effect the entire tournament.

IFPA Code of Conduct:

All players are expected to conduct themselves in a courteous manner and to contribute to a safe and welcoming play environment. This also applies to behaviors that are not related to gameplay.

The following behaviors are unacceptable tournament conduct.

- Rudeness toward any Scorekeeper or Tournament Official
- Outbursts, especially those including indecent language
- Displays of physical aggression
- Offensive comments including but not limited to those relating to gender, age, sexual orientation, disability, physical appearance, body size, race, or religion
- Verbal, physical, or sexual harassment

Penalties for unacceptable behavior will include warnings, disqualifications, or ejection from the tournament facility at the sole discretion of the Tournament Director.

Any player who argues a ruling once it has been made will receive a warning. Any player who continues arguing once receiving a warning will receive a score of zero for the game in question, ejection from the tournament, or ejection from the building, as determined at the sole discretion of the Tournament Director involved.

Any type of assault, be it physical, sexual, verbal or otherwise, is grounds for immediate ejection from the tournament and facility, and authorities will be contacted. Any express or implied threats or actions of violence are grounds for immediate ejection from the facility, and authorities will be contacted. Other possible grounds for ejection include but are not limited to fraud, theft, illegal activity, public drunkenness, stalking, etc.. Any person ejected from the facility is banned and may not return to the property. Banned persons will be prosecuted for trespass if necessary. Tournament Directors reserve the right to ban players indefinitely in cases of egregious player conduct, such as harassment or assault. In making those

determinations, Tournament Directors are expected to prioritize a safe and welcoming play environment over the ability of ejected players to return to future events.

Thank you,
Jim Martin
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