

Ticket to Ride Game System Tournament Info

The Ticket to Ride Game System Tournament is designed to test a player's ability to play all of the Ticket to Ride board games. Eight different game titles will be played throughout the weekend. A player's best scores in five (5) of these eight games will be combined to determine his/her ranking. A player need not play in all eight different games to qualify but the chances of advancing to the finals will be improved with each different game played.

Updated scores will be posted throughout the weekend. Each individual is responsible for ensuring his/her scores are correct. Players must submit correction requests at the earliest possible opportunity to the TGA scoring table using the Correction Forms provided. For further clarification of these Tournament rules, please ask a conductor.

The top twenty (20) ranking players for the weekend qualify for the semi-finals to be held on Saturday at 8:00 PM followed immediately by the finals. If a player believes s/he may have qualified for the semi-finals and plans to participate, s/he must check in at TGA HQ no later than 7:45 PM. If a player believes s/he may have qualified but does not plan to participate, s/he is requested to inform a conductor at the earliest opportunity. If a qualifying player does not check in on time, alternate semi-finalists will be selected from the top of the ranking list until a total of 20 semi-finalists are identified. Seating at the semi-finals tables will be based on T2R Tournament ranking.

Ranking is determined by a player's finishing position in each game played. A first place finish is worth 3 points, second place finish is worth 2 points and third place finish is worth 1 point. The points from your five best different game titles will be added together. If a player plays the same category multiple times (e.g. plays Marklin twice, or plays both Switzerland and Nordic or 1910 and US Big Cities), only the best score will be used. If a tie occurs after looking at 5 categories, then the tie will be broken (among the tied players only) by looking at a 6th game, 7th game and 8th game successively. Any remaining ties will be broken using the Puffing Billy (PB) Score calculation.

The two-rounds of semi-finals will immediately precede the final round. The semi-final rounds will consist of 5 four player games of T2R US. The winner and second place players from each T2R US game will then play one of two five-player games of T2R Europe in which all first place players will play together and all second place players will play together. The top three finishers from the T2R Europe 1st place table and the top two finishers from the T2R Europe 2nd place table will advance to the finals. The finals game will be a five-player game of T2R US Mega. Only the results from this T2R US Mega game will determine the winner of the T2R Game System Tournament.

Ticket to Ride Categories

- (1) T2R – US: Played with only the Original Tickets and the Longest Route bonus from the 1910 expansion or with the cards from the Ticket to Ride Original Game.
- (2) T2R – 1910 * : Played with only the 1910 cards and the Globetrotter bonus from the 1910 expansion
- (3) T2R – US Mega: Played with all Tickets and both Globetrotter and Longest Route bonuses from the 1910 expansion
- (4) T2R – Europe: Played with the basic Europe version
- (5) T2R – 1912 * : Played with only the 1912 cards from the 1912 expansion
- (6) T2R – Europe Mega: Played with all of the Tickets from Europe and 1912
- (7) T2R – Marklin: Played with the standard Marklin version
- (8) T2R – Switzerland / Nordic: Either Switzerland or Nordic may be played as part of this category. Your best score from either Switzerland or Nordic (but not both) will count.

*During a 1910 or 1912 slot, the corresponding Big Cities version may be substituted at any table if all players agree:

- (2a) T2R – US Big Cities: Played with only tickets with the Big Cities designation (lower right corner); no bonuses
- (5a) T2R – Big Cities of Europe: Played with only tickets with the Big Cities designation (lower right corner) and the Longest Route bonus

NOTE: The TGA holds a separate three round T2R –US Game Tournament. If you win any scheduled session of T2R - US you are eligible to play in the semi-finals of the T2R—US Game Tournament scheduled for Saturday at noon.