

2021 Railcon 18XX Game System Tournament Info

The 18xx Game System Tournament is designed to test a player's ability to play a variety of different 18xx style games.

Based on input from our 18xx players, there will not be a final game held for the Railcon 2021 18x tournament. Instead, the 18xx tournament results will be entirely based on player rankings (explained below) for all 18xx games played through the weekend. The winner will receive a plaque AND a prize draw during the Awards ceremony. Depending on participation additional prize draws may be awarded based on 18xx standings.

A player's ranking is determined by how the player finishes in each qualifying game played. In order to qualify for the 18xx tournament, the 18xx game must begin at a scheduled qualifying time. A first place finish is worth 3 points, second place is worth 2 points, third place 1 point, and fourth place or below 0 points. The points from the four best different game titles will be added together. If a competitor plays the same game multiple times (e.g. you play 18EU twice), only the best finish in that game will be used. In the case of a tie after looking at 4 games, the tie breaker is the point score in a 5th different game, then (if needed) a 6th game, 7th game, 8th game, etc., until there are no additional games to compare. Ties not broken this way will use the Puffing Billy Score calculation (for the qualifying 18xx games only) to break the tie. The Puffing Billy score gives bonus points based on the actual point scores in the individual games. Finishes in fourth place or below will contribute to the PB score tiebreaker but otherwise do not score.

Updated scores will be posted throughout the weekend. Each individual is responsible for ensuring his/her scores are correct. Please submit corrections as soon as possible to the TGA scoring table using the Correction Forms provided there. If you would like further clarification of these Tournament rules, please ask a conductor.

18XX Daily Feature Games

Each full day will feature its own mini-tournament outside of the PBT. 1830 on Thursday, 1880 on Friday, and 1861 on Saturday. The featured game will be played during each of the first three slots of the day (9am, 1pm, and 5pm). Rules will be taught in each of those slots as needed. Then, at 9pm each night, the top four players from the earlier slots (based on Puffing Billy scores) will play for the Daily Championship.

NOTE: These daily Championships **are NOT finals** for Puffing Billy purposes. They will be scored as regular category 3 games, but no finals bonuses will be awarded.