



# Season XVII WPT Gardens Poker Championship

January 12 - 16, 2019 | Hawaiian Gardens, California

**BUY-IN:** \$10,000 | **CHIPS:** 40,000 | **LEVELS:** DAY 1 – 60 MINS / DAYS 2, 3, 4 – 90 MINS

**FINAL TABLE:** TO BE FILMED FOR TELEVISION AT HYPERX ESPORTS ARENA

## SCHEDULE & STRUCTURE

	DATE	TIME
Day 1A	Saturday, January 12	12 p.m. PT
Day 1B	Sunday, January 13	12 p.m. PT
Day 2	Monday, January 14	12 p.m. PT
Day 3	Tuesday, January 15	12 p.m. PT
Day 4	Wednesday, January 16	12 p.m. PT
Final Table	TBD - to be filmed at HyperX Esports Arena	

	SMALL BLIND	BIG BLIND	ANTE
Level 1	100	100	-
Level 2	100	200	-
Level 3	100	200	100
Level 4	100	200	200
Level 5	200	300	300
Level 6	200	400	400
Level 7	300	500	500
Level 8	300	600	600
Level 9	400	800	800
Level 10	500	1,000	1,000
Level 11	600	1,200	1,200
Level 12	800	1,600	1,600
Level 13	1,000	2,000	2,000
Level 14	1,500	2,500	2,500
Level 15	1,500	3,000	3,000
Level 16	2,000	4,000	4,000
Level 17	3,000	5,000	5,000
Level 18	3,000	6,000	6,000
Level 19	4,000	8,000	8,000
Level 20	5,000	10,000	10,000
Level 21	6,000	12,000	12,000
Level 22	10,000	15,000	15,000
Level 23	10,000	20,000	20,000
Level 24	15,000	25,000	25,000
Level 25	15,000	30,000	30,000
Level 26	20,000	40,000	40,000

## RULES & INFORMATION

**ACTION CLOCK:** The Action Clock by Protection Poker will be used once the field is down to one (1) table out of the money. Players will have thirty (30) seconds to act on their hand. Players will receive four (4) time extension chips, each worth thirty (30) seconds. Upon reaching the final twenty-four (24) players, each remaining player will reset to a maximum of six (6) time extension chips. Upon reaching the final six (6) players, each remaining player will reset to a maximum of eight (8) time extension chips. In the case that time expires for a player with remaining time extension chips, the player's Action Clock will automatically extend an additional thirty (30) seconds. Collection of time extension chips will take place at the end of the player's action. If a player's Action Clock expires and the player does not have any time extension chips remaining, he/she will be (a) forced to check, if there is no bet pending or (b) fold, if facing a bet or raise. See WPT Action Clock Rules for more details.

**ANTE FORMAT (BIG BLIND ANTE):** Single ante will be posted by the player in the big blind, in the amount equivalent to the big blind. Ante is posted before the big blind and players are eligible to collect the entire ante, even when out of the big blind. Ante is maintained until the completion of the tournament.

**BREAKS: Day 1A/1B:** Players will have 15 minutes for every two levels

**Day 2, 3, 4:** Players will have 15 minutes for every level

**Final Table** breaks are TBD

**Note:** no dinner breaks scheduled throughout the entirety of the tournament.

**BUY-IN & FEES:** \$9,600 (buy-in) + \$300 (entry fee) + \$100 (staff fee) = \$10,000

**FINAL TABLE:** Final table of final six (6) players will be filmed for television at the HyperX Esports Arena at the Luxor in Las Vegas, NV.

**LATE REGISTRATION:** Registration closes start of level 11 approximately 3:30 p.m. on Day 2

**LEVELS, PER DAY: Day 1A/1B:** Eight (8) sixty (60)-minute levels, day ends at approximately 8:45 p.m.

**Day 2, 3:** Five (5) ninety (90) minute levels, day ends at approximately 8:30 p.m.

**Day 4:** Play ninety (90) minute levels until final table of six (6) is reached.

**Final Table:** Play sixty (60) minute levels until heads up, then levels become thirty (30) minutes in length.

**PLAYER'S CARD and PLAYER RELEASE:** In order to play in the event, each player must have a Gardens Casino player's card and sign the WPT Player Release Form. Must be 21 years of age or older to play.

**PLAYERS PER TABLE:** Play will begin 9-handed. Play will move to 8-handed when 10 tables remain. Play will move to 6 for the Official WPT Final Table.

**REENTRY RULES:** A single reentry is available for Day 1A/1B and Day 2 for a maximum of 6 total entries per player.

**REGISTRATION:** Available 10 a.m. through 11:59 p.m. daily from January 1 - January 12 and until the start of level 11 on Day 2, January 13 (at approximately 3:30 p.m.).

**RULES:** Tournament Directors Association (TDA) rules will be used throughout the tournament, with the following exceptions: *TDA Rule 4:* House Rule: No electronic devices on the felt (rail is ok); players may not interactively operate devices while they have a live hand. *TDA Rule 29:* House Rule: "FIRST CARD" off the deck; a player must be at their seat when the FIRST CARD is dealt on the initial deal in order to have a live hand.

**SEATING REDRAWS:** There will be a full seating redraw prior to Day 2, Day 3, Day 4, as well as at 24, 16, and 9 players remaining. There will be no redraw for the Final Table.

**STARTING STACK:** 40,000 tournament chips. Pre-purchased stacks will be "live" on the table from the beginning of the tournament. Late registrants and alternates will be sold a full starting stack.

**PAYOUTS:** One in eight (1-in-8) entries will be in the money (approximately 12.5%).

**TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR'S DECISIONS ARE FINAL:** Players shall have no recourse following the beginning of the next hand. The next hand begins with the first riffle of the cards.

**BACCARAT CRYSTAL WPT TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS:** Fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) will be withheld from the total prizepool and awarded to the first place finisher in the form of an entry to the season-ending Baccarat Crystal WPT Tournament of Champions event. The entry is non-transferable and has no cash value.

The Gardens Casino reserves the right to alter, change, or cancel the tournament. The Gardens Casino will not be held responsible in the event of typographical errors or misinformation on the website or printed material pertaining to this event, and players will not have claim in these matters.