

# Season XVIII Official Opening Day WPT Gardens Poker Festival

July 20–25, 2019 | Main Event

The Gardens Casino is adding a 2019 BMW X1 (\$40,000 value) to first place.

**BUY-IN:** \$4,700 + \$200 + \$100 = \$5,000 | **CHIPS:** 40,000 | **LEVELS:** DAY 1 & 2 – 60 MIN  
DAYS 3 & 4 – 90 MIN | **FINAL TABLE – 60 MIN | 30 MIN WHEN TWO PLAYERS REMAIN**

## SCHEDULE & STRUCTURE

	DATE	TIME		
Day 1a	Saturday, July 20	12 p.m. PT		
Day 1b	Sunday, July 21	12 p.m. PT		
Day 2	Monday, July 22	12 p.m. PT		
Day 3	Tuesday, July 23	12 p.m. PT		
Day 4	Wednesday, July 24	12 p.m. PT		
Final Table	Thursday, July 25	2 p.m. PT		
	SMALL BLIND	BIG BLIND	ANTE	
Level 1	100	100	-	
Level 2	100	200	-	
Level 3	100	200	200	
Level 4	200	300	300	
Level 5	200	400	400	
Level 6	300	500	500	
Level 7	300	600	600	
Level 8	400	800	800	
Level 9	500	1,000	1,000	
Level 10	600	1,200	1,200	
Level 11	1,000	1,500	1,500	
Level 12	1,000	2,000	2,000	
Level 13	1,500	2,500	2,500	
Level 14	1,500	3,000	3,000	
Level 15	2,000	4,000	4,000	
Level 16	3,000	5,000	5,000	
Level 17	3,000	6,000	6,000	
Level 18	4,000	8,000	8,000	
Level 19	5,000	10,000	10,000	
Level 20	6,000	12,000	12,000	
Level 21	10,000	15,000	15,000	
Level 22	10,000	20,000	20,000	
Level 23	15,000	25,000	25,000	
Level 24	15,000	30,000	30,000	
Level 25	20,000	40,000	40,000	
Level 26	25,000	50,000	50,000	

## 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. Remaining players will have thirty (30) seconds to act on their hand. To begin play in the Action Clock portion of the tournament, each player will receive time-extension chips, each worth a 30-second addition to a player's action. The number of time-extension chips provided to each player will depend on the number of players in the money. Upon reaching the final three (3) tables of the tournament, each remaining player will reset to a maximum of six (6) 30-second time-extension chips. Upon reaching the official WPT final table of the tournament, each remaining player will reset to a maximum of eight (8) 30-second 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 on wpt.com for more details.

**ANTE FORMAT:** 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 1 & 2:** Players will have 15 min breaks every two levels

**Day 3 & 4:** Players will have 15 min breaks every level

**Final Table** breaks are TBD

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

**BUY-IN & FEES:** \$4,700 (buy-in) + \$200 (entry fee) + \$100 (staff fee) = \$5,000

**LATE REGISTRATION:** Registration closes start of Level 11 approximately 2:15 p.m. (PST) on Day 2

**LEVELS, PER DAY: Day 1 & 2:** eight (8) 60-minute levels (ending approximately 8:45 p.m. PST)

**Day 3:** five (5) 90-minute levels (ending approximately 8:30 p.m. PST)

**Day 4:** Play 90-minute levels until final table of six is reached

**Final Table:** Play 60-minute levels until heads up, then levels become 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 with 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.

**REGISTRATION:** Available 10am through 11:59pm daily from 7/12 through 7/21 and until the start of Level 11 on Day 2, 7/22 (Approx. 2:15 p.m.)

**RULES:** Tournament Directors Association rules will be used. 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.

**ADDED MONEY AND PRIZES:** The Gardens Casino to add a 2019 BMW X1 (\$40,000 value) to first place.

**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.

**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 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.

**WPT TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS:** \$15,000 will be withheld from the total prizepool and awarded to the first place finisher in the form of an entry to the WPT Tournament of Champions event.

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.

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