

FGX 2010 Rockband 2 Tournament Rules

LOCATION: Clark County Fairgrounds, 17402 NE Delfel Road, Ridgefield, WA 98642

NO PURCHASE OR ENTRY FEE NECESSARY. A PURCHASE WILL NOT ENHANCE YOUR CHANCES OF WINNING.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Open and offered only to legal residents of the 50 United States and the District of Columbia (excluding Puerto Rico).

Registration & Schedule

1. Tournament entry is free.
2. This is an amateur all-ages tournament; however, any participant under the age of 18 must have a parent or legal guardian sign their application. Applications will not be accepted and contestant will not be officially registered until their application is completely filled out..
3. To enter the tournament a participant, or their parent or guardian, may sign up at participating Best Buy locations or online at www.fgx2010.info.
4. The tournament will be limited to the first 24 bands. Limit one (1) registration/game play per band during the Tournament Period. Entries are accepted on a first-received basis. Sponsors reserve the right to close or re-open registration without any prior notice. Sponsors may decide at any time whether or not to use a waiting list of potential participants.
5. You must register as a Band consisting of four (4) Contestants (Vocals, Guitar, Bass Guitar, Drums). At the time of registration, each Band must identify one (1) Band member as the Official Band Leader. You can only register once and you can't change/remove yourself and/or any Band member from a Band once you have registered. In addition, Band members may not play for more than one Band. Subsequent registrations and participation attempts by a single person are ineligible.
6. If all registered Members / Contestants of a Band are not present five (5) minutes before the scheduled start time for its game play session, such Band will forfeit, and a waitlisted Band may be invited to participate instead. Alternatively, if all game play sessions have taken place before the First Round has expired, Tournament Organizers and/or Sponsors, may, in its sole discretion, invite waitlisted Bands to participate during the Tournament Period.
7. Parking and Fair Entrance are non-refundable for any reason including but not limited to non-participation, expulsion, elimination or other conditions that the Tournament Organizers and/or Sponsors deem appropriate.
8. Registration will begin July 11, 2010 and go thru August 4, 2010. Additional registration, if spots available, will be held at the Clark County Fairgrounds on the day(s) of the tournament.
9. Contest will be held on August 8&14, 2010 starting at 11:00AM on the 8th and 11AM on the 14th. Contest shall compete in a bracketed tournament format until a final winner is determined.
10. Qualifiers will be held on August 8 & 14, 2010 for the first 24 bands in the tournament. The winners of these qualifiers will then compete for the championship on August 14, 2010.
11. This is a single elimination, with no losers bracket.
12. Participants need to check in at least 30 minutes before the start of the tournament.
13. No one else except registered contestants can perform in the contest. Participants may not transfer or give their registration to anyone else. Unregistered participants using a registered contestant's name or identity will be immediately disqualified.
14. Only participants are allowed in the playing area.
15. Odds of winning depend on the number of eligible entries in that drawing.

16. Entrants are responsible for understanding the operation of game controllers.
17. Unclaimed prizes will NOT be awarded.

Procedures

1. Tournament seeding will be determined in a random fashion by tournament organizers.
2. Be sure to check in before entering tournament play area.
3. Tournament format is 1 band vs. 1 band
4. No pausing, delays or rewinds allowed. If you do pause a game (using START button), then you may be penalized at the discretion of the referee(s).
5. The winner of each round will be determined by the highest point score and will advance to the next round (24-12-6-3-2-1) for 1 vs. 1.
6. At the end of a gameplay session, the Band's in-game score will be recorded, and averaged with a "stage presence"(only during dress up competition) score from a panel of judges.
7. At the end of the First Round, the Bands with the four (4) highest overall scores will advance to the second round of the Tournament.
8. At the end of the Second round, the two (2) bands with the highest scores in that round will advance to the final round.
9. At the end of the final round the Band with the highest overall score for that round will be named the Overall Champion.
10. In the event of a tie, the tied Bands will participate in a Tie Breaker Round.
11. During the Tie Breaker Round, each Band will play one (1) song of the Band's choice from among the available song list that will be provided by the tournaments administration. At the end of the Tie Breaker Round, the Band with the highest score in the tie breaker round will advance.
12. All participants must remain in their tournament heat locations until scoring is complete. If you leave the competition area before a completed set may result in disqualification.
13. Contestants not in attendance at their designated time will be disqualified and forfeit all fees and awards.

Game Play

1. The Tournament Period consists of three rounds of gameplay.
2. During the Tournament Period, each Band will compete by participating in gameplay sessions (How well the band does, and the number of registered bands will determine the actual number of gameplay sessions each band will play).
3. Each song will be selected by the band from a predetermined list. The predetermined song list will be selected at the discretion of the tournaments administration. To enhance the experience of the competition, the number of times an individual song is played may be limited.
4. When the song / gameplay session is over DO NOT PLAY ANY MORE NOTES! The judges will need to record your score.
5. If you skip past the scoring screen before the judges can record your score, your Band will receive a score of Zero for that portion of the overall score if the judges are unable to record your score from the gameplay.
6. The chosen character and guitar will not affect game play.
7. Players will be provided with controllers to compete. No personal guitars will be allowed.
8. Players will not be allowed to use hyper speed or cheats of any kind.

Tournament Conduct and Decisions

1. By participating in the Tournament, competitors agree to be bound by the decisions of the Tournament organizers. Persons who violate any rule, gain unfair advantage in participating in the Tournament, or obtain winner status using fraudulent means will be disqualified. No sideline coaching or gambling on games allowed.
2. Unsportsmanlike, disruptive, annoying, harassing or threatening behavior is prohibited. Foul language of any kind will not be permitted or tolerated.
3. No memory cards or saved games allowed.
4. Members will not attempt to manipulate the game or tournament system in an attempt to give any player or team an unearned advantage. This includes intentionally killing one's teammates or oneself (Boosting).
5. If any player is disconnected before the first kill is made, the match must be restarted.
6. All scores are final, negative remarks to the Tournament Administrator or personnel of the Tournament Organizers will not be tolerated.
7. The Tournament Organizers will interpret these rules and resolve any disputes, conflicting claims or ambiguities concerning the rules of the Tournament and the Tournament Organizers' decisions concerning such disputes will be final.
8. If the conduct or outcome of the Tournament is affected by human error, any mechanical malfunctions or failures of any kind, intentional interference or any even beyond the control of the Tournament Organizers, the Tournament Organizers reserve the right to terminate the Tournament, or make such other decisions regarding the outcome as the Tournament Organizers deem appropriate.
9. Any intentional distraction to the players while they are playing will result in immediate disqualification and removal from the premises, including turning off the game.
10. Controllers are supplied by the tournament. If a controller is defective, a player can pause the game and notify one of the tournament staff. If a player plays with a defective controller, all results are counted.
11. All decisions will be made by the Tournament Organizers and are final. The Tournament Organizers may waive any of these rules in their sole discretion and/or may make determinations and rulings that are contrary to rules in the spirit of fairness.
12. Abuse of any equipment (Xbox 360, controllers, TV's, etc) will result in your disqualification from the tournament and reimbursement of any damaged equipment.
13. Players must not be under the influence of controlled substances or alcohol while participating in the contest or they will be disqualified. In the event of disqualification or ineligibility of any winner, sponsors may replace such winner with the next runner up at sponsors' sole discretion.

Publicity: Use of Personal Information

1. By participating, where allowed by law, all participants and winner(s) grant the Tournament Organizers exclusive permission to use their names, characters, photographs, voices, and likenesses in connection with promotion of this and other events and waive any claims to royalties or remuneration for such use.
2. By participating in the Tournament, where allowed by law, participants agree that the Tournament Organizers may use such information for marketing and other purposes.

Release

1. By participating in the Tournament, each participant and winner waives any and all claims of liability against the Tournament Organizers, its employees and agents, the Tournament's sponsors and their respective employees and agents, for any personal injury or loss which may occur from the conduct of, or participation in, the Tournament, or from the use of any prize.

Liability

1. All Competitors and Spectators are responsible for themselves and their property.

Miscellaneous

1. Void where prohibited. Odds of winning depend upon the number of participants.
2. Each winner must submit proof of identification/eligibility and sign the FGX 2010 Rockband 2 Tournament Registration form/waiver to claim a prize.
3. The Tournament Organizers may substitute prizes, amend the rules or discontinue the Tournament at any time. Rules are subject to change at any time.
4. The Tournament Organizers disclaim any responsibility to notify participants of any aspect related to the conduct of the Tournament.
5. All entries to become the property of the Tournament Organizers and will not be returned.
6. NO PURCHASE NECESSARY. A PURCHASE WILL NOT ENHANCE YOUR CHANCES OF WINNING. Open and offered only to legal residents of the 50 United States and the District of Columbia (excluding Puerto Rico). Employees and directors of Best Buy Stores, L.P. ("Sponsor"), and its parent entity, their subsidiaries and affiliated companies, advertising, promotion, or production agencies, web masters and web suppliers, any companies who are promotional participants or prize providers, and any companies who are performing work in Best Buy stores at the request of Best Buy (and their respective IRS dependents, immediate family members (parent, child, sibling and spouse) and individuals residing in their same household) are not eligible to participate. Void in Puerto Rico and where prohibited. By participating, entrants agree to be bound by these Official Rules and by the decisions of Sponsor, which are final and binding.
7. PRIZES/APPROXIMATE RETAIL VALUE ("ARV"): Winners may not substitute, assign or transfer prizes, but Sponsor reserves the right, in its sole discretion to substitute prize with another prize of equal or great value should be advertised prize become unavailable for any reason. Taxes on prize are solely the winner's responsibility. Prizes will not be fulfilled outside the United States. Limit one (1) prize per person. Should a prize be won by a minor in his/her jurisdiction of primary residence, any required affidavits, releases and undertakings by Sponsor, in its sole discretion, must also be executed and undertaken by the parent/legal guardian of the minor, both on behalf of themselves and the minor, or the prize will be forfeited. Prizes may be awarded to, or in the name of, minor's parent/legal guardian. Gift cards are subject to the terms contained on the gift card. Unclaimed prizes will NOT be awarded.

Tournament Prizes:

1. Prizes will be given to First, Second, and Third place. Additional prizes may be handed out at the discretion of the Tournament Organizers or the sponsor for various things. Check event documentation or website for complete disclosure of prizes. Cash and/or gift cards may also be given as prizes if registration is high enough.

Authorization and Release:

The undersigned Applicant, for his or her heirs, assigns and legal representatives, releases, discharges and holds harmless the Tournament Organizers, Clark County Fair Association (CCFA), Clark County and Fairgrounds Site Management Group (FSMG) and all sponsors and their affiliates, their directors, officers, members, employees, staff, volunteers, agents and representatives from any all liability for any events or consequences whatsoever and in any manner arising out of or related to Applicant's entry and/or participation in this tournament, including but not limited to personal injuries sustained by Applicant.

By entering the contest, all players consent to Sponsor's use of his or her name, photograph and/or likeness, address, voice, and statements made by the player, in any and all media now known or hereafter developed (including without limitation print, broadcast and internet), for all tournament or business purposes including advertising and promotional activities without additional compensation, notice, or approval, unless prohibited by law.

The signatures below verify that both applicant and parent or guardian (if under age 18) have read the FGX2010 Rockband 2 Registration Rules, Tournament Play Rules, and Authorization and Release sections and agree to abide throughout the FGX2010 Rockband 2 Tournament.

Release must be signed by parent or guardian only if applicant is under age 18 as of entry date

Signed _____ Date _____
Signature of Applicant

Signed _____ Relationship to Applicant _____
Signature of Parent or Guardian