

# PLAYTIME

## CUSTOM ARCADES

### MINI BARTOP QUICK START MANUAL

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**PLEASE NOTE:** SOME FEATURES, UPGRADES, SYSTEMS AND/OR GAMES MENTIONED IN THIS GENERAL GUIDE MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE ON YOUR SPECIFIC MODEL ARCADE AND ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE.

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# ARCADE BASICS

## 1.1 POWERING UP YOUR ARCADE

Located in the front-center of your arcades admin button panel, you will see a small push button. This is the button that will power on/off your arcade. To start your machine, push the button inward gradually until you hear a faint click, then release.

After your machine has powered on, your monitor will display an error message stating either:

***"Alert! Rear fan failure", "Alert! Previous Fan Failure", "Alert! Front I/O Cable failure" followed by "Press F1 to resume", or "To continue, press F1 key".***

This error is completely normal. **You will see this message every time the arcade has been powered on after a complete shut-down or a restart.** To move past this message, use the included wireless keyboard and simply press the F1 button to continue. Once your machine has finalized loading the Windows 10 operating system, please wait approximately 30 seconds and your arcade software will automatically launch for you to begin navigating your games.

## 1.2 PUTTING YOUR ARCADE TO SLEEP

One useful feature your arcade has is a SLEEP MODE feature. While in sleep mode, your machine will enter into a power-saving mode of operation until it is needed again. If you wish enable sleep mode, simply press the arcades power button once to begin the process. After a few seconds, your machines monitor, marquee lights, and any button/joystick/trackball LED's (*select models only*) will turn off. Once asleep, simply press any control button, roll the trackball (*select models only*), or press the power button again to resume right where you left off.

## 1.3 USING THE PC INSIDE YOUR ARCADE

You arcade is essentially a desktop computer taken apart to fit inside of an arcade style cabinet/enclosure. If you would like to use your arcade just like a regular computer, simply press the EXIT button while in the Systems Navigation menu in HyperSpin. You'll be met with a QUIT? message with a YES or NO selection. Move your joystick to select the YES options, then push the ENTER button on your admin panel to select. This will exit the HyperSpin program and allow you to use it just as a normal PC. There is an icon on your desktop labeled CLICK TO LAUNCH that will bring you back into your arcade software.

# USING HYPERSPIN

## 2.1 WHAT IS HYPERSPIN?

HyperSpin is a front-end, visual based program/menu system that can launch other programs and emulators from one menu. In other words, HyperSpin is the cool looking menu system where you'll browse and load your games. It's simple, easy to use, and mind-blowingly awesome to look at. I have personally edited 100% of this software to be completely custom for you. Your arcade is truly unique and no one else has this same system other than you.

## 2.2 NAVIGATION AND CONTROL

Once your machine has powered on and Windows has loaded, it will automatically start the HyperSpin program. While in the HyperSpin menus, use either of your joysticks to navigate UP/DOWN to your desired system. When you've found a system, press the ENTER button on the front admin panel to view the available games. Then, simply use your joystick to navigate UP/DOWN to view all the available games.

## 2.3 BROWSING, SELECTING, AND PLAYING GAMES

Each systems game list is sorted into alphabetical order. Move your joystick RIGHT or LEFT to fast-skip to the next letter category. If you would like to skip to a specific letter, hold LEFT or RIGHT on the joystick until you see a letter menu appear. Then, simply scroll UP/DOWN to the letter you desire and push ENTER to fast jump to that letter section.

While browsing a systems available game list, if you wish to go back and view the main systems menu again, simply press the EXIT button on the admin panel to return.

When you've found a game title you wish to play, press the ENTER button on the admin panel and your game will begin loading.

## 2.4 CREATING A FAVORITE GAMES LIST

Many systems have thousands of game titles, which can make it a bit difficult to navigate back to a special game you wish to play. To make it easier to access your favorite game titles, HyperSpin has a feature that allows you to build a custom favorites list for any system on your machine. To use this feature, first highlight your desired game and press button # 3 on either the P1 or P2 side. You'll be met with a message asking to select either VIEW YOUR FAVORITES or ADD TO FAVORITES. Highlight ADD TO FAVORITES and press the front ENTER button to save. Once saved, you may view your favorites for that specific system by following the same steps listed above but instead, select the VIEW YOUR FAVORITES option.

## 2.5 EXITING GAMES

When you would wish to exit a game session and go back to the main menu system, push the EXIT button while in-game and you'll be brought back right where you left off in the menus.

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**EXCEPTION:** All games in the **MUGEN** gaming system require you to navigate through the actual game's main menu screen to exit. Please do not attempt to exit this system by pushing the front EXIT button as unexpected errors can occur.

If you accidentally press the EXIT button and for any reason your game will not allow you to exit or freezes, try these steps to correct:

1. Using your keyboard, press the Q and S keys simultaneously. Your game should exit and bring you back to the HyperSpin menu.
  2. If that does not work, simply push and HOLD the arcades power button until your system powers off. This will force shut down your computer. Once shut down, follow the same steps located in the POWERING UP section to boot your system back up. Use this method of rebooting with caution.
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# USING YOUR CONTROLS

## 3.1 GAME CONTROLS

All the controls for each system have been preset. Unfortunately, I don't have any illustrations showing the button layout for every game. With your machine having a MASSIVE roster of gaming systems and playable titles, there would be entirely too much to list here. However, learning the controls are generally easy to find out.

For example, the Nintendo Entertainment System had a two-button controller (B & A), a START & SELECT button, and an UP/DOWN/LEFT/RIGHT directional pad. The configuration for this system on your arcade is:

**Directional pad = Joystick control**

**B & A = Button 1 & 2 on each players button plate**

**SELECT & START = Player COIN & START on your admin panel**

The same button layout rules apply for the Sega Genesis also. The Genesis controller had an UP/DOWN/LEFT/RIGHT directional pad, an A/B/C button and a START button. The configuration for this system on your arcade is:

**Directional pad = Joystick control**

**A, B, and C buttons = Buttons 1, 2, 3 on your button plate**

**START = Player 1 START**

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**NOTE:** You do have the option to change/customize the controls for each gaming system if you do not like the way they have come preconfigured. This usually involves navigating to programs and menus outside of the HyperSpin program. I STRONGLY suggest you have an advanced user knowledge of PC's before you attempt to change these settings. Emulator failure and loss of control for multiple systems can occur if these settings are changed incorrectly. If this is something you wish to explore, please contact me for a how-to guide for mapping new button configurations.

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If you're having trouble with learning the controls, just remember this:

# WHEN IN DOUBT, JUST PRESS BUTTONS!

## 3.2 EXTERNAL CONTROLLERS

Not only does your arcade feature built-in Bluetooth capability for use with external style video game controllers, it also features a built-in rear USB port for use with chorded style USB game controllers. Due to the fact that there are many brands and configurations of these external game controls, the task of programming and configuration of a newly plugged in controller will be entirely up to the user. There are an astounding amount of free access walk-through videos and sources available online that can help you take on this task.

## 3.3 CONTROLLING VOLUME/BASS

On the rear of the machine, you'll see a large black wheel/knob assembly. This is the control center for your audio system. This knob assembly controls the power & volume of your audio system. Spin the knob to "click on" power, then spin to adjust volume up/down.

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**NOTE:** Power for your audio system is entirely independent of your arcades main power. This means that you must manually switch on/off power for your audio system when you either power on or off the arcade.

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## 3.4 CONTROLLING MARQUEE LIGHTS

Included with your arcade is a small white remote with many colored buttons on it. This is the control for your marquee light behind your marquee. Use the remote to turn on/off the light, change colors, and also change color patterns. Please remember that the remote is direction sensitive, meaning you must point it directly at the marquee for commands to register. Also, please remember to remove the thin, clear plastic tab out of the control's battery slot before use.

# IMPORTANT/MISCELLANEOUS

## 4.1 SYSTEM BACKUP/RESTORE

Your system comes with a digital backup of your software in case of data corruption and your hard drive needs to be reloaded or replaced. If you ever need to reload Windows/HyperSpin, this backup is located in the **D:\Backup** folder directory.

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**NOTE:** Restoring your machine with a system backup will reset your arcades data back to the original state it arrived in. All saved data such as high scores, custom controller layouts, gameplay statistical data, etc. will be lost. Please use this feature with caution.

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## 4.2 CHANGING SETTINGS/ALTERING YOUR SYSTEM

All arcades are configured and tested rigorously to ensure the machine arrives to you in a working order. We understand the customizable nature of the arcade software we include, however, if error occurs or your system fails due to these types of unauthorized alterations/changes, we cannot and will not be held responsible. Any alterations, both physically and digitally (changing settings, themes, etc.), made to your arcade will void all included warranties offered. Furthermore, refunds for failed systems will not be offered, nor support will be given to correct any of these issues.

## 4.3 ROM/GAME PLAYABILITY

Every game included in your arcade was made using a “best attempt” copy method by persons other than myself. This means that although many games do operate just fine, not all game titles will be playable and/or function correctly. Your arcade has a VAST library of available titles. Please remember that I have not personally tested each and every game to verify quality.

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**NOTE:** If errors occur while launching and playing certain games/systems, your machine may need to reboot in order to restore functionality. If errors occur and a reboot is needed, please follow the steps located in the EXITING GAMES > EXCEPTION section.

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## 4.4 ROM/GAME DISCLAIMER

All available game titles included on your arcade have been acquired via free-access game archival sites on the internet. These websites are dedicated to preserving retro and modern video game titles that are currently not in production and are no longer available in the primary market. Without these archival websites, many of these game titles would be lost and forgotten. By using and emulating ANY included title you are agreeing to the following:

- You personally own a license for any ROM / image included with your model arcade.
- You will not distribute any of these files illegally.
- You will not attempt to make any profit from any of these files.
- You have permission to download, install, and use ALL ROM and game image sets that your model arcade provides, and that you are strictly using/purchasing our items & services for our unique custom products/hardware and for your personal digital backup purposes.
- You agree to the fact that all ROMs and images are included by us in good faith, and we can NOT be held responsible if users use a ROM or image illegally.

## 4.5 ADD/EDIT PLAYLIST SONGS

Your arcade machine comes with a feature that allows you to listen to your own custom audio soundtrack while navigating your system/game selection menu. You can use your WiFi connection or USB port to transfer **.mp3** music to a folder on your arcade. Then to edit your playlist, follow the steps located in section **1.3 – USING THE PC INSIDE YOUR ARCADE** to exit out of your arcades front end software. Next, navigate to the folder located in **C:/HyperSpin/Apps/Music/Playlists** and double click the file labeled either **Generic.mpcpl** or **Generic**. A program window labeled Media Player Classic will open with a large white area in the center. This is where you will drag and drop and arrange your music files to be played. Once files have been dropped in and arranged, right click anywhere in the white area below your music files and click **Save As**. In the Save As window, navigate again to the folder located in **C:/HyperSpin/Apps/Music/Playlists** and double click the file labeled **Generic.mpcpl** or **Generic** to rewrite over the playlist file. A **Confirm Save As** window will load asking if you would like to overwrite and replace the existing playlist file, click **Yes**. You are now safe to exit the program and reboot your arcade via the Start > Restart option. When your machine restarts and reloads the arcade software, your music playlist will now begin automatically.

# LIMITED WARRANTY

## 5.1 WHAT IS COVERED?

This limited warranty covers any defects in material or workmanship in your new arcade.

## 5.2 HOW LONG DOES THE COVERAGE LAST?

The warranty period for your product is sixty (60) days from the documented date of your item being delivered.

## 5.3 WHAT DOES THIS LIMITED WARRANTY NOT COVER?

This limited warranty does not cover any problem that is caused by (a) commercial use, accident, abuse, neglect, shock, electrostatic discharge, degaussing, heat or humidity beyond product specifications, user, error, operation, maintenance or modification; or (b) any misuse contrary to the instructions in the user manual; or (c) lost passwords; or (d) malfunctions caused by other equipment. This limited warranty is void if a product (a) shows signs of alteration; or (b) shows signs of damage or tampering of any interior components (including the unauthorized removal of any component or external cover). This limited warranty does not cover data loss – back-up the contents of your drive to a separate storage medium on a regular basis. Also, consequential damages; incidental damages; and costs related to data recovery, removal, and installation are not recoverable under this warranty. This limited warranty applies only to hardware products; software, media, and manuals are licensed (and warranted where applicable) pursuant to separate written agreement.

## 5.4 WHAT DO I HAVE TO DO?

We will not provide any warranty coverage unless your claim is in compliance with all terms of this limited warranty statement and you follow proper return procedure. To request warranty service please contact [contact@playtimearcades.com](mailto:contact@playtimearcades.com) regarding your warranty claim. Once it is determined that a repair or replacement is required, you will be prompted for your name, address, phone number, e-mail and then issued a Return Order Number to use when returning product. Product you return to us must be properly packaged in its original packaging (or packaging providing the product with protection equivalent to the original packaging) and shipped, with the shipping charges to be paid by the person(s) returning the equipment. Product must have correctly labeled return address. It is recommended that product be shipped with insurance up to the dollar paid to assist with any loss sustained during the return shipping process.

## 5.5 WHAT WILL YOU DO?

If Playtime Arcades authorizes you to return your product to us or an authorized service provider, Playtime Arcades will repair or replace your product without charge with a functionally equivalent replacement product. Playtime Arcades may replace your product with a product that was previously used, repaired and tested to meet our specifications. Playtime Arcades will pay to ship the replacement product to you. By sending product for repair or replacement, you agree to transfer ownership of the original product to Playtime Arcades. Playtime Arcades may not return your original product to you. Data recovery, advance replacement option, or other warranty-related offerings or service plans are not covered under this limited warranty and are not part of the covered repair or exchange process. Playtime Arcades warrants that repaired or replaced products are covered for the greater of either the remainder of the original product warranty or 60 days.

# THANK YOU!

If you're happy with my work I would appreciate any and all good feedback you can provide. Excellent reviews help me to grow my small business and are ALWAYS welcomed. You can review your arcade on my Facebook page located at: <http://www.facebook.com/playtimearcades>

Also, if you know of anyone else looking for an arcade, I do offer anywhere between a \$25-100 referral reward (depending on the model of arcade purchased) if a customer purchases one of my arcades due to a direct recommendation from yourself. So please spread the word.

Lastly, I want to thank you for purchasing my arcade. I alone designed and hand-made your arcade entirely from scratch. By supporting me with your purchase, you've helped me to pursue my passion as well as helped me to support my family financially. For that, I cannot thank you enough! I hope you, your friends, and your family enjoy my work as much as I've enjoyed making it for you.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need any help.

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