

RIDGE RACER



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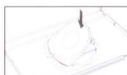
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PARENTAL CONTROL LEVEL	AGE GROUP
9	Restricted to 18 and over
7	Not suitable for under 15 unless accompanied by an adult
5	Recommended for mature players
3	Parental guidance recommended
2	General

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SETTING UP

Set up the PSP™ system according to the instructions in its instruction manual. Turn the PSP™ system on and the POWER indicator will light up green. The Home Menu will be displayed. Press the OPEN latch to open the disc cover. Insert the **RIDGE RACER** disc with the label side facing the rear of the PSP™ system and then securely close the disc cover.

Select the  icon from the Home Menu and then select the  icon. An image of the software will be displayed. Select the image and press the  button to commence loading.

PLEASE NOTE: the information in this manual was correct at the time of going to print, but some minor changes may have been made late in the product's development. All screenshots for this manual have been taken from the English version of this product, and some screenshots might have been taken from pre-completion screens that differ slightly from those in the finished product.

MEMORY STICK DUO™

To save game settings and progress, insert a Memory Stick Duo™ into the Memory Stick Duo™ slot of the PSP™ system. Saved game data can be loaded from the same Memory Stick Duo™ or any Memory Stick Duo™ containing previously saved game data.

WIRELESS (WLAN) FEATURES

Software titles that support Wireless (WLAN) functionality allow the user to communicate with other PSP™ systems, download data and compete against other users via connection to a Wireless Local Area Network (WLAN).

AD HOC MODE



Ad Hoc Mode is a Wireless (WLAN) feature that allows two or more individual PSP™ systems to communicate directly with each other.

GAME SHARING



Some software titles feature Game Sharing facilities which enable the user to share specific game features with other users who do not have a PSP™ Game in their PSP™ system.

INFRASTRUCTURE



Infrastructure Mode is a Wireless (WLAN) feature that allows the PSP™ system to link to a network via a Wireless (WLAN) Access Point (a device used to connect to a Wireless network). In order to access Infrastructure Mode features, several additional items are required, including a subscription to an Internet Service Provider, a network device (e.g. a Wireless ADSL Router), a Wireless (WLAN) Access Point and a PC. For further information and setting up details, please refer to the PSP™ system Instruction Manual.

DEFAULT CONTROLS



In this manual, **↑**, **↓**, **←**, **→** etc. are used to denote the direction of the directional buttons only unless otherwise stated. The controller configuration can be changed via the “Controller” setting in the “Options” Menu.

↑, **↓**, **←** or **→**

Steer

analog stick

Steer

L button

Change view

R button

Use nitrous

○ button

Downshift when in MT mode

× button

Accelerate

△ button

Upshift when in MT mode

□ button

Brake

START button

Start game/Display Pause Menu

SELECT button

Change colour of selected car
(on Car Select Screen)

USING MENU SCREENS

Press **↑**, **↓**, **←** or **→**, or use the analog stick to highlight an option, then press the **×** button to confirm. To return to the previous menu screen, press the **△** button.

GETTING STARTED

Following a cinematic introductory sequence, the Title Screen will be displayed.

TITLE SCREEN

Press the **START** button to access the New Game screen.

NEW GAME

Before getting on track, you must first enter your personal details in the Name Entry screen, outlined elsewhere in this manual.

CONTINUE

Resume a previously saved Ridge Racer game. Previously saved Ridge Racer game data must already be saved to an inserted Memory Stick Duo™.

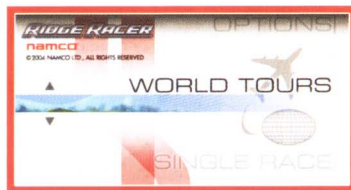
NAME ENTRY

Use the on-screen virtual keyboard to enter your Driver Name. Your name can only be a maximum of seven characters. Press the **□** button to delete a character. Select “OK” if the on-screen details are correct and then select “YES” on the Confirmation Screen.

AUTOSAVE

The Autosave Screen will then be displayed. Choose whether or not to enable Autosave. A Memory Stick Duo™ with at least 700KB of free space must first be inserted into the PSP™ system.

MAIN MENU



WORLD TOURS

Advance by completing tours consisting of several races.

SINGLE RACE

Select a course on which to compete against CPU-controlled cars.

TIME ATTACK

Achieve the fastest possible time as the only driver on the course. It's you against the clock!

WIRELESS BATTLE

Use the Wireless (WLAN) function of the PSP™ system to compete against several other players.

SAVE/LOAD

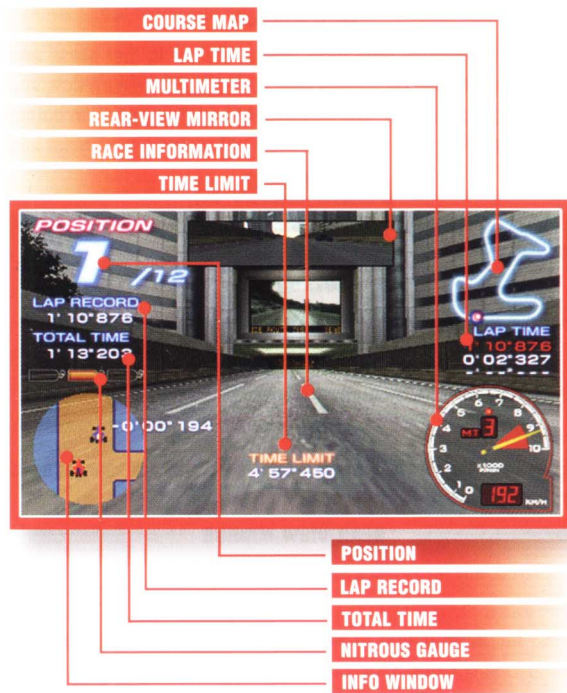
Save or load your game data. Please ensure that a Memory Stick Duo™ is inserted into the PSP™ system.

OPTIONS

Please see the Options section outlined elsewhere in this manual.

THE GAMESCREEN

NOTE: the layout and content of each gamescreen will differ depending on the game mode. The accompanying screen displays the World Tours Mode and is shown from the "Driver's View" perspective.



COURSE MAP

The Course Map displays an overhead view of the current course.

LAP TIME

Displays the time for each completed lap.

RACE INFORMATION

Shows the countdown, cautions for driving in the wrong direction and other kinds of information during the race.

MULTIMETER

Displays gear, speed, and rpm of your car's engine. The layout will differ according to which car you are using.

NITROUS GAUGE

Amount of nitrous currently charged.

INFO WINDOW

Displays the interval time (time behind the car in first place) and other race information. Shows how far behind the record time you are during Time Attack, and displays the qualifying position during World Tours.

TIME LIMIT

In certain race conditions, the amount of time remaining will be displayed.

TOTAL TIME

Displays the amount of time elapsed from the start of the race.

LAP RECORD

Shows lap records by course and machine class.

POSITION

Current position of your car. In World Tours, this will change to red once you reach or pass the qualifying position.

REAR-VIEW MIRROR

Displayed only in "Driver's View".

CHANGING PERSPECTIVE

Press the **L** button to switch between views during the race. Choose either Driver's View or Chase View.

PAUSE MENU

Press the START button during a race to access the Pause Menu. Use the directional buttons to choose an item from the menu and press the **X** button to confirm your selection.

CONTINUE

Exit the Pause Menu and return to the race.

RESTART

Recommence the current race from the beginning.

MAIN MENU

End the race and access the Main Menu.

IN-RACE MENU

Press the START button during a Wireless Battle to access the In-Race Menu. Be aware that the race will not stop while this screen is being displayed.

CONTINUE

Exit the In-Race Menu and return to the race.

EXIT RACE

Withdraw from the current race.

PLAYING THE GAME

WORLD TOURS

Each tour consists of between two and six races. Each tour has a specific machine class and prizes are awarded for victorious drivers.

RACES

A race is a competition between several cars over three full circuits. Each race has a predetermined qualifying position, and competitors who finish in that position or surpass it will be deemed to have completed the race.

DUELS

Some tours offer one-on-one competitive races called "Duels". The rules do not differ from the Race Mode, but your opponent's vehicle will be a high-performance car.

WORLD TOURS MENU

TOUR SELECTION

Initially only Basic Tours will be accessible and certain driving requirements must be met to access other tours of a higher difficulty level.

Select a tour in which to race from the available tours by first selecting the tour grade and then selecting the circuit name. The "Machine Selection" screen will be displayed from which a car can be chosen. Press the SELECT button to change the colour of the car. Press ← or → to view all of the available cars, then highlight "OK" to access the "Transmission Type" screen. Choose either "AT (automatic)" or "MT (manual)" to access the "Request Confirmation" screen.

REQUEST CONFIRMATION SCREEN

The selected tour and car will be displayed on the "Request Confirmation" screen, and once satisfied with the selections, choose "OK" to commence the race.

BGM CHANGE - Select "BGM CHANGE" on the "Request Confirmation" screen to change the background music before the race. Press ← or → to choose a disc and press the ⊗ button to confirm. Press ↑ or ↓ to select the music track and then press the ⊗ button to continue.

CUSTOM TOUR

Use the Custom Tour option to tailor the race conditions to your free time requirements.

Simply specify the "Total Play Time" and "Machine Class", and a unique tour will be automatically generated.

VIEW PRIZES

View the rewards and prizes that your racing prowess has unlocked.

INTRODUCTION

View the cinematic introductory sequence.

RESULTS SCREEN

A replay of the race will be displayed once the race has ended, and then the Results screen will be displayed. The Results screen will display information including finishing position, lap times and total times. "DNF" will be displayed to show competitors who did not finish the course.

RETRY

Recommence the circuit again from the start of the race under the same conditions.

REPLAY DATA

Save replay data to Memory Stick Duo™.

SELECT

Return to the Select Screen.

NEXT ROUND

Continue to the next race in the tour.

SINGLE RACE

Twelve cars compete for racing glory over three laps. Starting the race in last place, you must use skill and guile to weave through the traffic and finish first. Courses and cars awarded during World Tours Mode can be used in Single Race Mode. If a CPU controlled car finishes in first place, a countdown will be displayed indicating the time remaining in which you must complete the course. If the countdown reaches zero before you complete the course, then it is "Game Over" and your current position will then become your finishing place.

TIME ATTACK

Drive for three laps as the only car on the course, choose the best racing line and try to achieve the fastest time in Time Attack Mode.

To race alongside a “ghost car” image of a previous race saved to Memory Stick Duo™ which corresponds to the currently selected course and machine class, simply turn the “Ghost” option on via the Confirmation Screen.

Save race data for the ghost car after the race via the “Ghost Data” option on the Results Screen.

GHOSTS

When the course and machine class you have selected are the same as the Ghost Data in the Memory Stick Duo™, a semi-transparent ghost car will be displayed during a Time Attack race.

If the Memory Stick Duo™ does not contain Ghost Data, a ghost car will be displayed if “RETRY” is selected from the Results Screen. Ghost Data can only be saved if no other Ghost Data exists, or if you have produced a record time that surpasses the current Ghost Data.

WIRELESS (WLAN) BATTLE

Compete against other players on the same course using Ad Hoc Mode. Turn the WLAN switch on before competing in Wireless (WLAN) battles.

WIRELESS BATTLE SELECT SCREEN

Choose “Host Race” to create and host a race competition, or choose “Search Race” to participate in a race being hosted by another player.

When you want to host a race, and someone is already hosting a race on the same channel within your own Wireless (WLAN) communication range, simply switch to another channel and host it there.

SELECTING A CLASS

Choose a machine class for the race you are hosting. Choose from either Class 1 to 6 or Special Class.

SELECTING A COURSE

Choose a course to race. All courses are available for use in Wireless (WLAN) battles.

WIRELESS (WLAN) BATTLE

SETTING HANDICAPS

Setting a handicap will increase the speed of the car driven by the driver holding the lowest position during a race.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF RACE TO BE HOSTED

Notify PSP™ systems in the vicinity that you are going to be hosting a race. Wait a little while until you have received requests to participate from other players.

ENTRY LIST SCREEN

When a player has made a request to participate in a race, their name will be displayed on-screen and if there are two or more participants including yourself ready to commence racing, simply press the START button to block further entries.

SELECTING A CAR

Select a car and transmission type. After this point, it will not be possible to return to the previous screen.

LIST SCREEN

Stand by until the other players have confirmed their car selections and the race will begin once everyone has selected their cars.

RESULTS SCREEN

After the race, the Results Screen will be displayed. Choose either “Retry”, “Main Menu” or “Select”.

RETRY – use the directional buttons to select a course to re-race.

MAIN MENU – return to the Main Menu.

SELECT – return to the Competition Mode Select Screen.

SEARCH SCREEN

Search for Wireless (WLAN) battles being hosted in the vicinity. The results will be displayed and if a race is being hosted, the related information will be displayed. Select “OK” to participate in the race.

RACE INFORMATION

Displays the name of the person hosting the race, machine class, course and current number of players entered.

OK

Select “OK” to participate in a race being hosted.

SEARCH AGAIN

Searches the vicinity once more.

RETURN

Return to the Wireless Battle Select Screen.

PARTICIPATING IN A RACE

If you are able to participate in a race, a Standby Screen will be displayed and when the host has pressed the START button, the Car Select Screen will be displayed. Follow the same procedure for hosting a race as described earlier in this manual.

* Software developed by NetBSD Foundation, Inc. and its partners has been used for the communication functions in this product.

SAVE/LOAD

NOTE: before quitting a game, please ensure your data has been saved to Memory Stick Duo™ before you switch the power off.

SAVE

The Save New Screen will be displayed if your Memory Stick Duo™ does not contain any saved game data, and the Overwrite Screen will be displayed if it does. At least 700KB of free space on a Memory Stick Duo™ is required to save a game.

LOAD

Load data stored on your Memory Stick Duo™.

AUTOSAVE SETUP

Autosave, which saves your game data automatically, can be switched ON or OFF. An autosave is performed when you move to another screen from the post-race Results Screen. Autosave is also performed when you move to another screen after having changed the Options or other settings.

OPTIONS

Allows you to assign buttons, change sounds, or otherwise configure the game environment. Choose a button setup that makes the game easier for you to play.

CONTROLLER

Allows you to change the button setup. The choices of button operation setups range from Types A to E.

AUDIO

Set the volume levels for “BGM” (Background Music), “SE” (Special Effects), and “VOICE”.

NAME CHANGE

Change your name using the virtual keyboard.

AV PLAYER

Listen to BGM (Background Music) as you check out your replay. Choose a song from the “BGM” option and select a circuit from the “Course” option. Choose replay data that has been saved in your Memory Stick Duo™ (if “NONE” has been selected as the course location, the system will switch to power-saving mode provided that button input has not been detected within a certain period of time).

MINI GAME

“**NEW RALLY-X**” is a mini game that appears during game loading and this option turns the mini game on or off. Alternatively take a spin in the “**NEW RALLY-X**” mini game by selecting “Play Mini Game”.

PLAYING THE GAME

DRIVING TECHNIQUES

“Drifting” and “Nitro” are techniques that are used in **RIDGE RACER**. Learn them well so that you have them under your command during a race.

WHAT IS DRIFTING?

Drifting is a driving technique in which you take corners while letting your car skid sideways. Make the turn while keeping the car at a fixed speed so that you can accelerate smoothly when coming out of the corner.

THE THREE TYPES OF DRIFT

“Dynamic”, “Mild” and “Standard” are the three levels of drift available on the cars in the game, each of which will have a different effect during drifting. Try to choose the type of drift suited to your own style of driving.

DYNAMIC

Intended for fairly advanced drivers dynamic drifting allows drivers to keep drifting with little effort and change the direction of the vehicle with ease. However, precise control is needed to stop drifting.

MILD

Not suited to make big changes to the vehicle's direction or to keep drifting steadily for long stretches, but it is easy to come out of a drift.

STANDARD

Does not offer any of the distinctive features of the Dynamic or Mild styles, but does provide exceptional balance and makes it easy for you to get hooked by the drifting bug.

DRIFTING IN AN ACTUAL RACE

- 1 As you head into a corner, steer in the direction of the turn. Once your car starts turning, take your foot off the gas.
- 2 Your car will now start to skid sideways. In order to control the car's movement, steer as needed in the direction opposite the turning direction while stepping on the gas.
- 3 You'll know you've got the hang of it once you come out of the corners with your car facing the direction you need to go.

USE THE NITROUS BOOST

When drifting during a race, the nitrous gauge will indicate the level of charge and will flash when the tank is full. Press the **R** button to trigger the nitrous and give you a rapid burst of speed. The longer you drift at high speed, the more nitrous you will have available; and you can store enough for three boosts. However, you will not be able to recharge efficiently if you make long, unnecessary drifts. Nitrous can not be recharged while it is being used.

CARS

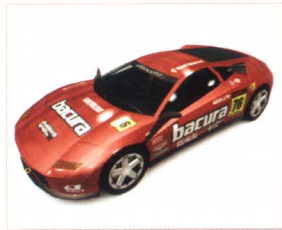
PHELIOS ABEILLE TYPE-S

A hot hatch made by Age, the Phelios Abeille Type-S is fitted with a specially-built suspension and is both compact and lightweight. This model's build is reminiscent of a sportster and it accommodates the Prophetie's engine.



BACURA FATALITA TYPE-S

The FATALITA was principally bred to be a circuit racer. Technologies developed over scores of races have been generously shoehorned into this little number.



NEBULASRAY ESPERANZA TYPE-S

Every racing fan has wanted to own the immensely popular Esperanza at least once in their lifetime. When it comes down to it, the charm of this high-spec car, which is armed to the teeth with the latest technologies, is its otherworldly driving performance.



STARLUSTER EO TYPE-S

The 6th generation EO is an heir to the HIMMEL tradition. The EO is naturally famous for its horizontally opposed engine and the high performance it churns out, but this car is also renowned for the exuberance it brings to anyone who owns one.



SHEONITE BISONTE TYPE-S

The Bisonte enjoys enormous popularity among those fans referred to as the supercar generation. Assoluto's flagship über-sportscar deftly melds the soul of a brute with the class of a princess.



GAMP RAGGIO TYPE-S

An out-and-out racing car brought to you by SOLDAT. The note sounded by the RAGGIO's 12 cylinders gives heart palpitations to car fans all over the world.



COURSES

SEASIDE ROUTE 765

Take in the scenery when driving down Seaside Route 765 – a well-balanced, challenging course.



SUNSET DRIVE

A drift-friendly circuit with wide lanes, Sunset Drive is geared to first-time drivers.



UNION HILL DISTRICT

A rollercoaster of a course, the steep hills and steeper drops will test even the most experienced of drivers.



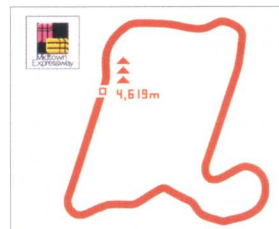
CRIMSONROCK PASS

This summit road winds around a mountain and has plenty of perfect corners on which to practise drift moves. Crimsonrock Pass is highly recommended for novice drivers.



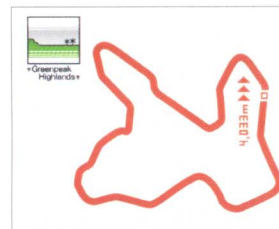
MIDTOWN EXPRESSWAY

Rave Racer fans will recognise this circuit and to clock up a fast time, drivers must decide how quickly to take the series of jumps in the first half of the course.



GREENPEAK HIGHLANDS

Steep gradients, double apex corners and other nasty surprises make up a host of taxing layouts guaranteed to drive racers crazy!



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